Uplyme Parish Council

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Chairman: Councillor Chris James – Vice Chair: Councillor Paulene Frost - Clerk: Ricky Neave

Minutes of the meeting of <u>Uplyme Parish Council</u> held at the Uplyme Village Hall on Wednesday 13th March 2019 at 7.15pm.

Present: Councillors

Councillor A Turner, Pratt, Pullinger, Kidson, Duffin, Frost (Chair), Ostler, R Turner and 7 members of the public.

In attendance: The Parish Clerk, Ricky Neave

Key: Councillors Hand Vote (For - Against)

7.15pm Public Question Time

Public Bodies (admissions to meetings) Act 1960 s1 extended by the LG Act 972 s 100.

Resident thanked the Council and the South West Ambulance Service for the defibrillator awareness training at the village hall before the Council meeting on Wednesday, 13/03/2019 at 5.15pm

Report from County Councillor - Mr Ian Lloyd Hall

Devon County Council budgets have been set and passed for the 2019/20 financial year. Core funding for the County Council is expected to reduce from £115 million in 2018/19 to £101.5 million in 2019/20. This is a reduction of £13.5 million or 11.7% at a time when there are huge pressures on social care services.

Ref: https://www.devon.gov.uk/finance-and-budget/budgets/

The bus travel around Uplyme is still being investigated regarding the dangerous overhanging trees and branches, DCC have requested a risk assessment from First Bus for this route which to date has not been received. Councillor Ian Hall stated that it is not simple or easy to navigate through these issues quickly because of the systems, risk assessments, Health, Safety and land ownership. Uplyme Councillors reacted angrily and frustrated and the majority saying that nothing is being done by Highways although the Uplyme Councillors report and are promised outcomes that never happen. Uplyme Parish Council have offered their own video taken by the Clerk from a trip laid on by First Bus to record the dangers and risk being posed every day to the public and bus drivers on the X51 and X53 route. Promises and assurances have been made by the Highways officer verbally and system reported but again nothing has been done. There was a recent meeting of Highways and Parish Councillors where it was promised from the Highways Officer that the Tree near Cooks Mead roundabout, the Crogg Lane/Lyme Road wall and the ploughing of Pound Lane, Lyme Road and Springhead Road will be addressed but still after weeks/months of logging these incidents, nothing has been done. Councillor Ian Hall advised the Council that he will investigate and email all updated correspondence to the Clerk when it becomes available.

Uplyme Parish Councillors feel that the customer service from the local Highways Officer and Devon County Council were unacceptable and feel there should be consequences.

Councillor Hall is hugely disappointed that the £17m relief road and 850 homes in Masterplan for east of Axminster has been put at risk by the late change in Homes England funding.

Report from District Councillor - Mr Ian Thomas

Councillor Thomas visited number 10 Downing Street for a meeting recently, which was cancelled due to other current commitments by the government.

East Devon's Seaton Wetlands was awarded top national accolade as the Popular wildlife haven is runner-up in Best Nature Reserve category in BBC Countryfile Magazine's 2019 Awards.

Councillor Thomas is enormously concerned that the recent decision by Homes England to a new condition of the funding is that the money must be repaid by the development potentially puts the Axminster Masterplan in jeopardy. East Devon District Council is now considering its options. This includes taking legal advice to investigate whether we may have strong grounds to challenge Homes England's decision. Councillor Thomas stated that we are dismayed by this fundamental change of mind. It throws the whole Axminster scheme up in the air and means that the effort we and our partners have put into this critical scheme over the last 12 months may have been completely wasted.

2019/20 Council Tax bills are currently being distributed to residents but although there is an increase, East Devon District Council portion of 7% is to provide refuse collection, kerbside recycling, homeless and private sector housing services, planning, street cleaning and leisure and Councillor Thomas believes this is good value for the money.

Item	Agenda				
19/52	Acceptance of apologies for absence Resolved: Councillor Chris James had sent his apologies due to another commitment. Council resolved his reason for absence. Councillor Brian Mason had sent his apologies due to another commitment. Council resolved his reason for absence.				
19/53	Dispensations Council is asked to discuss any written requests for dispensation the Clerk may have received from Councillors. Resolved : noted none received by the clerk.				
19/54	To receive declarations of interests Local Authorities Resolved: Councillor A Turner declared a personal and pecuniary interest on reading the planning report on item 19/58 - (17/0592/RES (Amended), Land West Of Herons Brook, (Wadley Hill) Venlake, Uplyme) Note: Council were asked to note the importance of declarations of interest and the email reminder sent out to all Councillors on the 07/03/2019 by the Clerk.				
19/55	Exclusion of the Press and Public Standing Order #1c The Parish Council may exercise their right to exclude the public and press by resolution from a closed meeting due to the confidential nature to be discussed pursuant to section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960. Resolved: not required.				
19/56	Chair's announcements Resolved: Vice Chair Councillor Paulene Frost had no announcements.				
19/57	To receive and sign the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 13 th February 2019 (Previously circulated) LGA 1972 Sch 12 para 41(1) Resolved: agreed that they were a true record of the decisions made. Proposed Councillor Barbara Kidson Seconded Councillor Rebecca Turner. (8-0)				
19/58	Planning Planning report and any other planning business				
	Planning report and any other planning business. Applications considered by the Planning Committee (see minutes for full details):				
	 18/2879/FUL, Land Opposite Newcastle Cottage, Woodhouse Lane, Uplyme, DT7 3SX, Change of use of land and erection of (cob-bale) building for use in conjunction with cob-bale building workshops / holiday let purposes, Ms Charlotte Eve, Not Supported 19/0319/FUL, Rhode Hill Farm, Rhode Hill, Uplyme, Lyme Regis, DT7 3UF, Construction of two storey side extension and single storey rear extension, Mr & Mrs Strawbridge, Supported 19/0243/FUL, Sea Mist, Rocombe, Lyme Regis, DT7 3RR, Partial demolition of garden wall to widen entrance, reconfiguration of existing retaining walls and hard standings to create new driveway and bin store. New hedging and garden planting, Mr & Mrs Tim & Helen Buckingham, Not Supported 18/1548/FUL (APP/U1105/W/18/3216504), Land East Of Redlane Cross, Rocombe, Erection of an equestrian manege, American style barn and formation of a new vehicular access (All representations must be received by 26 March 2019 to https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk or by emailing west1@pins.gsi.gov.uk), Mr Steve Hollis, Not Supported 19/0307/FUL, Knoll Cottage, Rocombe, Lyme Regis, DT7 3RR, Retention of outbuilding, Mr Tim O'Toole, Not Supported Planning application decisions made by EDDC/DCC since last meeting: 				
	 19/0056/TRE, Culvers, Harcombe Road, Axminster, EX13 5TB, T4 Beech. Crown reduction to North West by no more than 3m. Cuts less than 50mm diameter, Approved 19/0068/FUL, The Seasons, Lyme Road, Uplyme, Lyme Regis, DT7 3TH, Construction of single storey extension and terrace, Approved 				

- 18/2632/FUL (Amended), Quarry House, Lime Kiln Lane, Uplyme, Lyme Regis, DT7 3XG, Demolition of existing outbuilding and construction of replacement building for holiday accommodation, Approved
- 17/0592/RES (Amended), Land West Of Herons Brook, (Wadley Hill) Venlake, Uplyme, Erection of 4 no. dwellings (3 no. affordable and 1 no. open market) and community orchard (approval of matters of scale, layout, appearance, access and landscaping pursuant to outline permission 15/1994/OUT) Revised surface water attenuation and landscaping details, Approved
- 18/2632/FUL, Quarry House, Lime Kiln Lane, Uplyme, Lyme Regis, DT7 3XG, Demolition of existing outbuilding and construction of replacement building for holiday accommodation, Approved
- 18/2774/FUL, Summerlands, Harcombe, Lyme Regis, DT7 3RN, Construction of summerhouse, Approved

19/59 Approval and signing of Parish Accounts for the month of February 2019

Internal Audit Accounts & Audit Regulations 2003 reg 2

Resolved: approved the accounts for February 2019. Noted the Clerks report that the Unity Trust Bank balance states £34,490.77 as of the 28th February 2019. Proposed Councillor Pratt Seconded Councillor R Turner. (8-0)

Gross	Payee
£13.50	Uplyme Village Hall - Extra Room Hire Jan 2018
£604.33	Fluxy's Garden Services - Monthly Grass Cutting
£240.00	Fluxy's Garden Services - Drainage & Ditches 1 day
£1,041.23	Clerks Salary scale pt 22 from 01/04/2018 (24 hrs)
£10.80	Parish Monthly Telephone & email Charge
£8.15	Paper Printing and Copies
£46.80	Clerks Expenses and Mileage
£240.00	PKF Littlejohn - External audit fee 2017/18
-£770.00	Wakely & Sons Re: Beevor (Internment)
-£770.00	Monthly Income
£2,204.81	Monthly Expense
£1,434.81	Monthly Balance

19/60 | Payments LGA 1972 s150 (5)

Resolved: reviewed and approved the items of expenditure listed below:

Gross	Payee
£264.00	Blaze Concepts Hosting 2019/20 annual fee
£589.33	Fluxy's Garden Services - Monthly Grass Cutting
£360.00	Fluxy's Lengthsman Drainage & Ditches 3 days
£100.00	Fluxy's Repair Fence and Rotten post - Playground
£40.00	ICO - Data Protection Annual Fee 2019/20
£1,041.43	Clerks Salary scale pt 22 from 01/04/2018 (24 hrs)
£10.80	Parish Monthly Telephone & email Charge
£46.80	Clerks Expenses and Mileage
£9.00	Laminated Footpath Map for Board
£35.00	Laptop fix and projector check
£18.00	Unity Trust Bank Service charge

Proposed Councillor Pullinger Seconded Councillor Duffin. (8-0)

19/61 | Parish Council Elections

Resolved: the Council noted that the Clerk hand delivered the Election Nomination packs to all current ten Councillors on Tuesday, 05/03/2019. A public election notice will be sent out to display on the Uplyme website/public notice board on Friday, 22nd March 2019 for interested parties. Completed prospective candidates forms must be returned by hand to the returning officer at Blackdown House by 4.00pm Wednesday, 03/04/2019.

19/62 | Millennium Copse

Resolved: the Council heard and noted a report from Councillor R Turner who proposed an agreed quote which was recommended by the Millennium Copse sub-committee after several discussions and meetings, which was to approve the second quote from Fluxy's (Local Garden Contractor) of a first annual fee of £1500 per annum to strim the grass and take it away and £80 for spraying the brambles. (These are maximum costs). There seem to be an ongoing dispute from Councillor Duffin who wanted to propose a change in the criteria of this quote at this late stage, which caused annoyance from the members of the Council who stated under the terms of reference for the Millennium Copse sub-committee, the decision had already been democratically decided. Due to this indecision and ongoing uncertainty, Councillor A Turner has resigned from the Millennium Copse sub-committee.

Cllr Pratt suggested that a local resident who lives in Barnes Meadow prefers the Copse borders cut and kept nice and tidy as he looks out on to the area.

Proposed Councillor Kidson Seconded Councillor Pratt. (7-0) one abstained.

19/63 | Uplyme Traffic Management Strategy and Highways

Resolved: the UTMS team had nothing to report to date.

19/64 Devon Air Ambulance (DAA) Night Landing Project

Resolved: Councillor Pullinger reported that funding requests were on track with the outcome of the 'Communities Together Fund' from EDDC still to be announced. Also, that Councillor Pullinger has written to Lyme Regis Town Council to request funding of £250.00 which will be presented at their next Council meeting for decision.

Standing Orders were suspended at 20.07pm for two minutes for Councillor Hall to speak and offer possible funding from May 2019 from the County Councillors 'Locality Budget' if there is a shortfall. The Council thanked Councillor Hall for the offer.

19/65 **Overhanging Trees and Hedges**

Council is asked to note, discuss and hear an update on the hazardous and safety situation of overhanging trees and hedges in Lyme Road, Uplyme and propose further measures of action to alleviate the problems with high vehicles, especially buses that have had several windows broken.

Resolved: the Council decided that all areas and issues had been discussed in the report from County Councillor Ian Hall before Standing Orders.

19/66 Uplyme Playground Maintenance and Future Costs

Resolved: Councillor Ostler is to attend a meeting of the King George's Field on the 25/03/2019 to enquire if the land of the playground is registered and licensed for funding opportunities and report back to Council.

19/67 Uplyme Village Weed and Litter Clear Up / Great British Clean Up 2019 (22/03/2019-23/04/2019)

Resolved: the Council decided to postpone this agenda item until the April 2019 meeting to research availability of volunteers.

Resolved: it was noted that emails and letters on the list below were received and sent to Councillors:

From	Subject	Received
Uplyme Clerk	Councillor reminder for declaring interests	07/03/2019
Robinson, Ben	East Devon Forest Plan Consultation	06/03/2019
Healthwatch Devon	Healthwatch Voices Bulletin	06/03/2019
Councillor Ian Hall	Re: B3165 Uplyme	05/03/2019
Devon County Council	More families apply for secondary school places in Devon	01/03/2019
CPRE Devon Director	Invitation. Devon's New Housing Need - A Government & Local Authority Perspective.	28/02/2019
Info - Devon Communities	Community Led Planning and Devon Community Resilience Email from Martin Rich at Devon Communities Together	26/02/2019
Keep Britain Tidy	Join Keep Britain Tidy's Great British Spring Clean	08/02/2019

19/69 Parish Clerks Delegated Powers

Resolved: none used.

19/70 | Items for Parish Newsletter & Notice Boards

Resolved: none were highlighted to the Clerk.

19/71 Notice of items to be taken into consideration at the next meeting in April 2019.

Resolved: East Devon Forest Plan Consultation (Uplyme) – Bus Stops decision - Uplyme Village Weed and Litter Clear Up

19/72 Date of next meeting

Resolved: the Council noted that Wednesday 10th April 2019 is the date of the next regular meeting. Please note that the Parish Council Meeting will start at 7.15pm. All are welcome to attend. The meeting finished at **8:23pm**.