

Uplyme Parish Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 13th April 2022 at Uplyme Village Hall at 7.15pm

Present: Chairman: Cllr. C. James Vice Chairman: Cllr. Mrs. P Frost

Councillors: Cllrs. A. Turner, P. Oakley, C. Pratt, W. Trundley,

Mrs. C. Wiscombe

Officer: Zishan Adamson-Drage, Clerk to the Council / RFO

Members of the Public: Three present. Also County Cllr. Ian Hall. No members of

the press.

FC22/73 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs. N. Pullinger and Mrs C. Wiscombe.

FC22/74 Approval of Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes from the Meeting of the Council held on **9**th **March 2022** be approved as a correct and true record and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed Cllr. W. Trundley and seconded by Cllr. C. Pratt.

FC22/75 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

None.

FC22/76 Public Participation Session on items on the agenda

A resident requested community defibrillator training. **RESOLVED** The Clerk to contact SWAST to organise a weekend training session, which should be in the Autumn/Winter 2022.

The Council wished to record its thanks for all the volunteer work done by former resident, Mr D. Ostler, in clearing out the village stone traps. Cllr. Turner advised that it could cost between £3,500-£4,500 for one days' work by a contractor to carry out the same task. Alternatives to keeping the stone traps without this prohibitive expense were being investigated. If no alternatives were available, the Parish

Council would not be able to keep the traps clear.

FC22/77 Clerks Progress Report

Members received the below Clerk's Report which was noted. **RESOLVED** The Clerk to investigate whether a normal litter bin can be installed at the Cemetery.

Meeting date	Task Name	Minute reference and details	Action taken (text)
Meeting 12.1.2022	Playground quotes for remedial work	22/10	Contacted chosen contractor to instruct about work – due to meet on site to discuss further.
Meeting 9.3.2022	Advertising Councillor co-option vacancy	22/51	Advertised on Noticeboard, website and Council Facebook page and shared to Uplyme Village Noticeboard.
Meeting 9.3.2022	Arrange for office rental with Village Hall	22/60	Contacted the Hall Manager to confirm arrangements – payments to commence on April 2022. Amending address details with correspondees.
Meeting 9.3.2022	Publish agreed Standing Orders and amend Financial Regs	22/62	Standing Orders published on Council website. Amendments made for discussion at April PC meeting.
Meeting 9.3.2022	Add Cllr. Oakley to the banking signatory mandate	22/59	Application to add a signatory sent to Council's banker in March 2022.

FC22/78 To receive reports

Chairman – nothing further to report

Parish Councillors – Cllr. Turner commented that the parking on Tappers Knapp and the corner of Cooks Mead \was becoming an issue. **RESOLVED** that the Police Liaison speak to the local PCSOs.

County Councillor – C.Cllr. I. Hall updated the Council on COVID vaccinations for children aged 5-11 years and the progress in hosting families from the Ukraine. **Outside Bodies** – Nothing to report.

FC22/79 Finance

(a) **RESOLVED** that the following payments were/will be settled:

Payments March

Name	Details	Amount	VAT
Fluxys maintenance	Grounds Maintenance	653.80	£0.00
Staff costs		1,328.38	£0.00
	Travel/Expenses	29.25	£0.00
Stationery/laptop bag	Stationery/Misc	20.17	£2.65
Google email/O2	Telephone/Communication	10.59	£2.12
DCC Pension Fund	Pensions	403.41	£0.00
Unity Trust Bank	Bank Charges	18.00	£0.00

Payments April

Name	Details	Amount	VAT
DALC	Annual subs	419.41	48.41
Fluxy's Maintenance	Grounds Maintenance	1035.80	0.00
Uplyme Vill. Hall	Room Hire	51.00	0.00

FC22/80 (b) Members noted the bank reconciliation for March 2022 and the end of year bank balance:

Monthly Balance Sheet	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22
Expense (Cashbook)	2,884.05	3,050.06	2,982.78
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Income (Cashbook)	152.00	-385.00	-132.00
Monthly Balance (Cashbook)	2,732.05	2,665.06	2,850.78
Bank Statement (First DOM)	68,776.37	66,044.32	63,379.26
Bank Statement (Last DOM)	66,044.32	63,379.26	60,528.48
Bank Monthly Balance	-2,732.05	-2,665.06	-2,850.78

FC22/81 Progress against Budget 2021-22

Members noted the actual expenditure/income against budget for the final quarter of the year and the level of general reserves as increasing by £8,625 during the 2021-22 financial year.

FC22/82 War Memorial

Members considered the quote received from their current insurer, Hiscox, to include the war memorial. Cllr. James informed that the additional premium proposed of £ 277.72 was too costly. Cllr. James proposed that the Council underwrite the risk for any damage to the memorial. Seconded by Cllr. Turner. **RESOLVED** That the war memorial remain uninsured. Unanimous - vote carried.

FC22/83 <u>Annual Governance & Accounting Return</u>

(a) The Clerk highlighted the late date of the internal audit of 3rd May to the Councillors. **RESOLVED** the Clerk to send the report on as soon as it is received prior to the meeting on the 4th May.

FC22/84 Grants

(a) **RESOLVED** grants for 2022-23 as allocated for in the budget to be paid to the named organisations. Cllr. Turner proposed, Cllr. Pratt seconded. Agreed.

(b) Members considered the request for grant funding towards refurbishment of the Church clock. Cllr. Trundley proposed that no grant be made, which was seconded by Cllr. Pratt. **RESOLVED** to refuse the request for a grant to the Church clock repairs. A vote was taken; with six Councillors for the proposal and one abstention, the vote was carried. County Cllr. Hall asked that the Clerk to pass on his details so he could look at County funding towards the project.

FC 22/85 NJC Pay Award 2021-22 & Homeworking

- (a) **RESOLVED** the Council would pay the current Clerk the 1.75% cost of living pay award and associated back pay to October 2021. Cllr. James proposed and Cllr. Trundley seconded. Agreed.
- (b) **RESOLVED** the Council declined to pay the associated back pay from April to September 2021 to the previous incumbent in post. Cllr. Turner proposed, and Cllr. Trundley seconded. Agreed.
- (c) **RESOLVED** the Council to increase the homeworking allowance to £26 p.c.m as per HM Revenue & Customs guidance. Cllr. James proposed and Cllr. Trundley seconded. Agreed.

FC22/86 Schedule of meetings

- (a) **RESOLVED** the schedule of meetings for 2022-23 approved.
- (b) Cllr. James wished to discuss this further with the Clerk outside of the meeting.

FC22/87 Council Governance

(a) Financial Regulations – RESOLVED that the revised Financial Regulations be approved. Cllr. James proposed and Cllr. Pratt seconded. Agreed.

FC22/88 Highway Issues

- (a) The updates on this item were covered during the public participation session. No further items to discuss.
- (b) Standing orders were suspended for County Cllr. Hall to speak. Cllr. Hall discussed the issue regarding the ownership and repair of the wall of Broadway Cottage adjacent to the Crogg Lane narrowing. Cllr. Hall advised he would be happy to discuss with the prospective buyer, and for the Clerk to pass on his details.

Furthermore, he pointed out that the locality funding of £1,000 and the £5,000 allocated from Dorset Council could not be rolled over into a new financial year. Cllr. James reiterated that the Parish Council had allocated an earmarked fund of £3,000 for highways safety.

RESOLVED the Council would support the provision of the zebra crossing subject to the overall budget for highways not preventing improvements at Crogg Lane. Cllr. James proposed, and Cllr. Turner seconded. Agreed.

(c) Cllr. James informed Council that the expression of interest for the 20mph speed limit through the village had been submitted. The Clerk advised that DCC Highways were expecting a plan of the route agreed. **RESOLVED** that the 20mph zone would extend between the Black Dog village gateway and the mini roundabout at Cooks Mead / Masters Close.

Cllr. Turner advised that some branches were extending onto the highway and needed trimmed back which would be carried out by the Chapter 8 trained volunteers.

FC22/89 Residents and other correspondence received

- (a) Members believed attendance would not warrant specially convened Community Conversations for Uplyme, and that residents would be content to attend the events planned in Lyme Regis.
- (b) Members were advised that EDDC legal team had commenced a consultation on EV charging points in their car parks. The Council were supportive in principle, but the Clerk would send out the document for Members' comments.

FC22/90 Footpaths/Millennium Copse/Stafford Mount/King GeorgeV Play Area/Trinity Hill

- (a) Councillors were to split walking the parish footpaths between those who were able to.
- (b) Nothing to comment on.

FC22/91 Planning

Cllr. Turner advised Members of the recent applications received, appeals made and considerations made by the Committee. Members were provided with a spreadsheet of applications now being considered by EDDC and recent enforcements, approvals and refusals.

FC22/92 Newsletter / Noticeboards / LymeOnline

Cllr. Trundley requested that the DCC online reporting tool for highways and other issues for residents' use be highlighted in the next issue of the Parish magazine.

FC22/93 Committee/Working Groups

- (a) Members noted the minutes from the Planning Committee on 9th March 2022 and 23rd March 2022.
- (b) Nothing new to report.

FC22/94 Public Forum/Members items

None put forward.

FC22/95 <u>Date of future meetings</u>

RESOLVED The next meeting of to at Uplyme Village Hall at 7.20pm.	the Full Council will be on Wednesday 4 th May 202 Meeting Closed 8.47pm	22
Signed by Chairman:		
Date:		