

Uplyme Parish Council

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

Present: Chairman: Cllr. C. James Vice Chairman: Cllr. A. Turner

Councillors: Cllrs. P. Oakley, P. Hackett, C. Pratt, W. Trundley,

Mrs. C. Wiscombe, D. Ostler

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

Members of the Public: Nine present. No members of

the press.

FC22/122 Apologies for Absence

Cllr. Mrs. P Frost and County Cllr. I. Hall.

FC22/123 Approval of Minutes

The minutes had been agreed at the previous meeting. The Clerk updated Members on an item from the previous minutes. A reply had been received from the King George V field trustees regarding sale of alcohol by the Cricket Club.

FC22/124 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

None.

FC22/125 Public Participation Session on items on the agenda

A resident of Harcombe talked about planning application 22/0883/FUL. He believed the proposed development would be damaging to the area. He advised that the objections from neighbours had been well-articulated.

Cllr. James agreed that the Planning Committee were similarly concerned and that the application which had been submitted did not match with the proposed plans for the site from further information, which included accommodation for 2 people, parking for 4 cars and planting 40 acres of trees. National Highways were also concerned, and in consultation had said they would object on safety grounds should the numbers of movements from the site increase. Cllr. James stated that the Parish Council do not have the final say over planning approval and typically long

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processes of appeal occur with up to 2 years lapsing before enforcement action is taken.

Another resident of Harcombe mentioned he had witnessed anti-social behaviour on the site most weekends for the past few months and had reported this to East Devon District Council's (EDDC) Planning and Environmental Health departments, as well as the police who were logging complaints.

Cllr. Trundley advised that he had concerns around the 40 tiny houses planned and agricultural facilities which would cause an issue with drainage. He had looked into the manufacturing company which was based in the USA and was a well-established, structured organisation.

Cllr. Turner advised he had consulted District Cllr. Ian Thomas about the application who had spoken to the Head of Planning at EDDC. He had also had several messages from parishioners regarding the application.

Cllr. James concurred that the Planning Committee were in full support of the continuing reports by concerned residents to EDDC Planning and Environmental Health departments, and the police. He asked if the emails could be forwarded to the Clerk for the Council's records.

A resident mentioned the overgrown vegetation on Gore Lane before Venlake cross, which was forcing pedestrians out into the road.

FC22/126 Clerks Progress Report

Members received the below Clerk's Report which was noted.

Meeting date	Task Name	Minute reference and details	Action taken (text)
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	Add Cllr. Oakley to the banking signatory mandate	22/59	Application to add a signatory sent to Council's banker in March 2022. Clerk to chase up.
Meeting 13.4.2022	Litter bin installation at Cemetery	22/77	Contacted EDDC Officer for a meeting about moving the bin from Church St.
Meeting 08.06.2022	Check whether DCC PROW have pedestrian signage warning of traffic/road.	22/112	Contacted Emma Hellier. She has signage and will drop to Clerk at the Village Hall.
Meeting 08.06.2022	Enquire whether Devon CC operate a quiet lanes policy	22/99	Contacted DCC.
Meeting 08.06.2022	Email out Terms of Reference to each committee	22/102	Sent 28 th June to Councillors.
Meeting 08.06.2022	Obtain costings for a fireproof box.	22/105	Still in hand.
Meeting 08.06.2022	Look into suitable hard copy footpath maps.	22/109	Contacted Emma Hellier. She has extra maps and will drop to Clerk at the Village Hall.

FC22/127 To receive reports

Chairman - nothing further to report

Parish Councillors – Cllr. P. Hackett reported on matters discussed at the King George V field trustee meeting. Subjects discussed included the operation of the Cricket Club bar, work on fencing around the field, flood/drainage work around the river and a the installation of a bench in memory of Neil Pullinger.

County Councillor – County Cllr. I. Hall was not in attendance, but had sent a report to Councillors on 7th July 2022.

Outside Bodies - Nothing to report.

FC22/128 Terms of Reference

This item was deferred to the next meeting. **RESOLVED** The Clerk to arrange to meet with the Chair to review the Terms of Reference.

FC22/129 Finance

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

Payments June

Name	Details	Amount	VAT
SLCC - Risk Mgmt			£6.00
Training	Registration/Subscriptions/Training	£36.00	
SLCC Practitioners Conf	Registration/Subscriptions/Training	£90.00	£15.00
SLCC - Planning Training	Registration/Subscriptions/Training	£36.00	£6.00
Arnold Baker Ref book			£0.80
order	General Admin	£141.80	
SLCC membership	Registration/Subscriptions/Training	£186.00	£0.00
SJ Surfacing repairs	Playground funds	£2,851.76	£0.00
Fluxy's Maintenance	Grounds Maintenance	£743.80	£0.00
Mrs W Gardner	s.145 donation for Entertainment	£200.00	£0.00
Uplyme Village Hall	Room Hire	£102.50	£0.00
	Employment costs	£1,266.89	£0.00
Unity Trust Bank	Bank Charges	£18.00	£0.00

Payments July

Name	Details	Amount	VAT
Uplyme Village Hall	Room Hire	£96.00	£0.00
DCC Pension Scheme	Pensions	£410.41	£0.00
Google Email	Telephone/Communication	£4.60	£0.00
02	Telephone/Communication	£8.74	£1.45
Advantage Ink Supplies	Stationery/Misc	£32.99	£5.50
Co-op batteries	Stationery/Misc	£4.50	£0.75
	Travel/Expenses	£50.03	£0.00
AJ Wakely (Weldmar			£0.00
Hospicecare)	Grant (S137)	£100.00	
Aubergine 262 Ltd.	Computer Accessories/Charges	£633.60	£105.60

FC22/130 (b) Members noted the bank reconciliation for June 2022:

Monthly Balance Sheet	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22
Expense (Cashbook)	3,900.81	£4,753.18	£5,672.75
Income (Cashbook)	- 25,671.50	-811.01	-846.00
Monthly Balance (Cashbook)	-21,770.69	3,942.17	4,826.75
Bank Statement (First DOM)	60,528.48	82,299.17	78,357.00
Bank Statement (Last DOM)	82,299.17	78,357.00	73,472.65
Bank Monthly Balance	-21,770.69	3,942.17	4,884.35

FC22/131 Amenities

- (a) Cllr. Turner seconded by Cllr. Oakley proposed that the shortfall in funds should be taken from general reserves. **RESOLVED** The surfacing repairs to the playpark will be funded by the earmarked fund, the budget for 2022-23 and the remainder of £353.73 be taken from general reserves.
- (b) Members considered the quote for the repair of the playpark gate. Cllr. Turner, seconded by Cllr. Hackett proposed that the quote be agreed and the work undertaken. **RESOLVED** The Clerk to contact the contractor to arrange the repairs forthwith.

Cllr. Pratt brought the condition of the playpark roundabout to Members attention. He believed the bearings had failed, and would assess it to see if it was repairable, however the Council may need to purchase a new roundabout if it was not. **RESOLVED** The Clerk would obtain quotes for a new roundabout and look into grant funding and Cllr. Pratt would make the area safe by putting barriers around the current roundabout.

- (c) Members considered the update from a meeting regarding the re-siting of the Church Street bin between the Clerk and EDDC officers. The existing bin had been removed, and despite enquiries, had not been located. Cllr. Trundley seconded by Cllr. Pratt agreed to purchase a replacement bin. Cllr. Hackett voted against the purchase. **RESOLVED** A 63L bin would be purchased, however, Members wished to reconsider the location.
- (d) Cllr. James, seconded by Cllr. Pratt agreed to pay £100 +VAT for an additional weekly refuse collection of the public litter bin outside the village hall, which would take place each Monday.
- (e) As the quote had not been received, this item would be deferred until the next meeting.

FC22/132 <u>Internal Audit Recommendations</u>

- (a) Members reviewed the earmarked funds, as recommended by the Internal Auditor. **RESOLVED** The Uplyme Event/Sponsor project fund of £100 and the Devon Air Ambulance contribution fund of £30 would be disbanded and the funds vired to general reserves.
- (b) Members considered the request for the Clerk to attend the Risk Management training organized by the SLCC. **RESOLVED** The Clerk agreed to attend.

FC22/133 Budget

(a) Members noted the progress against budget for quarter 1 of 2022-23.

FC22/134 EDDC Members' Code of Conduct

Cllr. Turner, seconded by Cllr. Oakley, proposed that the Code of Conduct be deferred for 12 months to allow time for it to settle in at EDDC first.

FC22/135 Highway Issues

(a) The issue of the overgrown vegetation on Gore Lane was discussed. This would be raised with Devon Count Highways at the Quarterly Forum on 12th August.

FC22/136 Residents and other correspondence received

- (a) Members considered the proposed dontation of £250 to the Ukrainian Hardship Fund to support the Ukrainian refugees in Uplyme. **RESOLVED** The payment of £250 to Lyme Regis Town Council (who is facilitating the fund) to be approved.
- (b) Members noted the invitation from Leaperland Promotions regarding the exception site at Springhead Rd/Crogg Lane. **RESOLVED** Cllrs. James and Pratt to attend and report back to Council at their next meeting.
- (c) None received.

FC22/137 <u>Footpaths/Millennium Copse/Stafford Mount/King GeorgeV Play Area/Trinity Hill</u>

- (a) The Clerk had obtained full-sized maps of the footpaths in the parish and pedestrian signage for the Springhead Rd/East Devon Way crossing from the Public Rights of Way Officer. Cllr. Pratt kindly agreed to install the signage.
- (b) The Clerk updated Members on the recent meetings regarding the Stafford Mount project. The 4 elements of the project would include: Environmental and wildlife; Planting; Hard landscaping and amenities; Other considerations. The primary school were very interested in participating and Cllr. Mrs Wiscombe was contacting the 1st Lym Valley Scouts and the Uplyme & Lyme Regis Horticultural Society for their participation.
- (c) Already covered in agenda item 9(b).
- (d) Nothing to report.

FC22/138 Cemetery

Members decided not to participate in the Cemetery of the Year Award 2022.

FC22/139 Planning

(a) Members discussed application 22/0883/FUL and the additional information which had come to light regarding the applicants' plans for the site. **RESOLVED** The Clerk to draft a letter (for approval by the Chair and Vice Chair) to the Head of Planning at East Devon District Council on behalf of the Parish Council to outline their concerns.

(b) 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.

Cllr. Pratt advised that he was concerned that a lot of decisions made by EDDC Planning are being delegated to officers rather than being discussed at Committees.

FC22/140 Newsletter / Noticeboards / LymeOnline

No items put forward.

FC22/141 Committee/Working Groups

- (a) Members noted the minutes from the Planning Committee on 8th June 2022 and 29th June 2022.
- (b) A member of the public reported that the buses were regularly hitting trees along Lyme Road near the roundabout at the Yawl turn off. Cllr. James advised this would be raised at the next Highways Forum on 12th August.

FC22/142 Public Forum/Members items

- (a) None raised.
- (b) None put forward.

FC22/115 Date of future meetings

RESOLVED The next meeting of the Full Council will be on Wednesday **14**th **September 2022** at Uplyme Village Hall at 7.15pm.

Meeting Closed 8.40pm

Signed by Chairman:		
Date:		