

ULEY PARISH COUNCIL

Draft minutes of a meeting held on Wednesday, 1st June 2016 at 6.15 pm in Uley Village Hall.

Present: Councillors Jonathan Dembrey (JD) (Chairman), Janet Wood (JW) (Vice-Chairman), Mike Griffiths (MG), Melanie Paraskeva (MP).

In attendance: A. McKay (AM) (Clerk).

1. Apologies for Absence. Councillors Belinda Holley (BH), Jim Dewey (RJD), and David Sykes (DS).
2. Public Representation. Don Field, Maureen Wakefield.
3. Declarations of Interest. None.
4. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 19th May 2016 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
5. Matters Arising. Item 12. JW reported that Richard Carter will repair the gaps in the fence made by the police and not the police themselves. Item 15. Track at the bottom of The Bury. Don Field from the Cotswold Wardens was present. He reported that the Wardens will have their 100-year anniversary in 2018 and are looking to carry out some projects that will deliver community benefit to mark the event. He has suggested a new circular walk along the bottom of The Bury most of which is across private land but it does connect with an existing footpath at the Crawley Hill end. There is a walkable route although there are trees down on certain sections and Don has spoken to one of the landowners who is supportive and has offered to clear some trees to provide viewpoints. He pointed out that the path would be a permissive path and so the wardens would have no ongoing remit to maintain it, also there is a risk that landowners in future could close off access to it. However, since it has been used continuously for many years it could be registered as a footpath. JW reported that there had been an unsuccessful attempt to register it many years ago but this was owing to timing issues. It was thought that a kissing gate would be required at the Crawley Hill end to block access to horses and cyclists. AM was asked to contact Rozelle Jachowicz at SDC for her views and confirmed that she has sent the email trail to David Sykes for comment. It was agreed to refer the item to the next Cam, Dursley and Uley Joint Woodlands Management Committee on July 11th. Item 14. JW pointed out that councillors did not need to publicise their personal emails on the contacts lists and AM reported she had displayed the new details on the notice boards with telephone numbers only, following confirmation from councillors.
6. District and County Councillor Reports. Annual reported to be made at the following Annual Parish Meeting.
7. Footpaths, Playground and Bins. (i) Playground. AM reported that the Playground Report has been received and circulated. MG, the new Playground Representative, had visited the Playground at Raglan Way to check the condition of the infrastructure and look at the tasks highlighted in the Report. Nothing has been identified as being more than a medium risk. The main recommendations were to address the compacted ground and review the structural integrity of the multiplay. This had been examined last year and was not considered to be risky. It was agreed that Robin Coates be asked to carry out the weeding and replenish the bark and to see what solutions could be used to reinforce the multiplay that will comply with British Safety Standards. (ii) JW reported that Bin 216 has not been emptied this week but 518 was emptied following reports to SDC. AM to report to SDC.

8. Planning. (i) Decisions. AM reported that S.16/0348/HHOLD Gardiners Cottage has been permitted; S.16/0334/HHOLD 29, Elcombe the applicants have submitted an appeal against refusal; (ii) S.16/1077/HHOLD 24, Whitecourt. Proposal for a timber summerhouse. There were no objections provided it does not overlook the property below in Court Gardens; (iv) S.16/0880/LBC Angeston Court. A revised application removing the timber structure as instructed by the planning officer. No objections.
9. Finance Report. (i) Annual Return 2015/16. AM reported that Iain Selkirk has completed the internal audit. All figures are confirmed as reported to the last meeting and the Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer duly signed the Annual Return. This will now be submitted to Grant Thornton for the external audit; (ii) June Report. AM reported that as the HMRC payment of £366 made in 2015/16 was less than the £628 deducted from the Clerk's salary, the balance should be refunded. Agreed. Cheques to authorise: PCC £400 Burial Grounds; PCC £302.50 50% cost of the Village News after deducting advertising income; Zurich Municipal £973.33 annual cost of new 5-year deal for insurance; A. McKay monthly salary plus reimbursements for printing ink, hospitality for ACM and APM, PAYE deduction refund; Village Hall £800 precept; Iain Selkirk £90 internal audit.
10. Reports from PC Representatives. Community Design Statement. MG reported that comments have been feedback from SDC planning and so he and Thoss Shearer will meet to draw up a final draft to resubmit to SDC for adoption. He also reported using Uley Blue on the cover of the final draft.
11. Correspondence.
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| MoD | Armed Forces Day. |
| GCC | School Admissions Consultation. |
| SDC | Bands in Stratford Park. |
| J. Little | Letter re. tall grass at Fop St. crossroads. |
| GRCC | Transport Issues. |
- JW suggested putting the Stratford Park poster on the notice boards. Agreed.
12. Parish Website and Newsletter.
It was agreed to put in the new contact details in for the next edition.
13. Urgent Matters. Maureen Wakefield was present to request that some 20 is plenty signs are put up in Fiery Lane to deter speeding vehicles. RJD has arranged to collect some from the Highways depot and will be asked to arrange for a couple to be put up.

Meeting ended at 7.15pm.