

Minutes of the Uley Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 4th December 2019, commencing at 7pm in the Uley Village Hall.

PRESENT: Councillors: Jonathan Dembrey (Chair)
Melanie Paraskeva (Vice-Chair)
Janet Wood
Juliet Browne
Jo Dee
Mike Griffiths
Tim Martin

IN ATTENDANCE: Thoss Shearer.

- 1/12/2019 To receive any apologies for absence
Apologies were received from David Sykes (footpath officer).
- 2/12/2019 To receive any declarations of interest
There were no declarations of interest.
- 3/12/2019 To receive any representation from members of the public
There were no representations from the members of public present.
- 4/12/2019 To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 6th and 14th November 2019
IT WAS AGREED not to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 6th November 2019 but to re-present these minutes at the January meeting of Council.

IT WAS RESOLVED to approve and duly sign the minutes from the extraordinary meeting of Council on 14th November 2019.
- 5/12/2019 To receive reports from Councillor and District Councillors
In the absence of the County and District Councillors there were no reports.
- 6/12/2019 To receive the Clerk's report
In the absence of the Clerk there was no report.
- 7/12/2019 To receive any reports regarding footpaths/highways
Cllr Dee reported that the David Sykes had informed that Council should expect a bill of below £100 for style repairs.

Cllr Browne met K. Randall, Paul Helbrow and Julia Wathen (Clerk for Owlpen) with regard to lake/overflow. Cllr Browne to draft letter for the Chair to send to Mr Chisholm on behalf of the Parish Council
- 8/12/2019 To discuss the results of the recent VAS deployment in Uley
Cllr Martin reported vehicles averaged 26mph. Of the 23,207 vehicles only 13.2% were speeding.

Cllr Martin provided an update from the recent Stroud Roads Safety Group meeting. The proposed rural traffic regulation order has been dropped as

focus is now on serious injuries and accidents by VAS education and enforcement campaigns. VAS scheme worked well as a deterrent. A second deployment is planned for after April next year. Councils reminded to refer to these as Community Speed Cameras, that will record the vehicle registration mark.

The Group had conducted an AutoSpeedWatch trial in Frocester as 50% of traffic exceeding the speed limit – recording time, speed and vehicle registration. **IT WAS AGREED** to budget (£300) and include it on a future agenda following a report in February with a view to purchasing a unit.

A Pathfinder project providing a 5-day driving experience for 15-17 year olds held during school holidays, funding supported by Police Crime Commissioner for Gloucestershire based residents – cost reduced to £185.

Councillor have been offered the opportunity to go out in marked police vehicle via the Stroud Roads Safety Group.

The B4066 Uley Road is closing on 13th – 17th December between 07:30 and 18:00 from Mill Farm to Fop Street.

The road “Farfield to Highgate” is closing between 2nd and 17th December from Drake Lane to Coldharbour.

9/12/2019 To receive any playground reports
There was no report available.

10/12/2019 To consider the precept and grants for 2020/21
Village Hall running costs £1,000, Dishwasher £1,900.

IT WAS AGREED to add Village Hall as an agenda item to consider running costs and funding from reserves.

IT WAS AGREED to discuss at the next meeting of Council: Talking Book, Woodlands & Churchyard.

11/12/2019 To consider the SDC comments on S.19/0648/HHOLD

Thoss Shearer is concerned about the appearance of Swedish houses of decent homes standards by 2025 and considers response by SDC not to be robust. Comment was made on SDC considering applications from themselves. There are no plans and elevations for the houses, therefore the Parish Council are unable comment as the walls are to be thickened without the roof pitch being raised.

Cllr Griffiths questions whether it would be cheaper and more economical to rebuild the houses, but the decision to refurbish had been made following consultation with the residents. SDC have not addressed work being done one half of a pair of semi-detached properties and not the other.

IT WAS AGREED for a draft letter to be sent to the Chair for approval before being sent to SDC planning and copied to Stinchcombe, Wotton-Under-Edge and Painswick Parish/Town Councils.

12/12/2019 To consider the following Planning Applications

- i) S.19/2497/TCA – 76 The Street, Uley: Group of 2 x Yew Trees and 2 x Holly trees (T1)

IT WAS AGREED to write to John Penley (Church Council) requesting Church Council to look at the application. The Parish Council are concerned about the shape of the trees after the proposed works are carried out. The Parish Council also noted the wrong address being used in the application – it is next to the church, not No.76 and this needs to be changed.

- ii) S.19/2318/HHOLD – Bencombe Farm, Lampern Hill, Uley – Detached Car Port to the side of property.

The Parish Council have no comments on this application.

- iii) S.19/2312/HHOLD – 1 Lampern View, Uley – Second storey rear and single storey side extensions.

IT WAS AGREED that Cllr Browne would draft an objection in the absence of the Clerk.

- iv) S.19/2400/HHOLD – 7 Fiery Lane, Uley – Replacement single storey rear extension and new side extension. New rear floor dormer.

IT WAS AGREED that Cllr Browne would draft an objection in the absence of the Clerk.

13/12/2019 To receive any Planning Decisions

The decisions were noted. Cllr Browne stated that the Parish Council require clarification on permitted development , its not clear what is classed as such.

IT WAS AGREED to draft a letter requesting a training session and clarification to Geraldine Le Conte – SDC Planning.

14/12/2019 To authorise payments

The sum of £57.50 to come from clerk's expenses to be carried over.

15/12/2019 To receive reports from PC Representatives

The Cam, Dursley and Uley Joint Woodlands Committee has a new Clerk – Jo Lewis.

The Playing Field AGM was held in November, Jonathan Dembrey now the Chairman.

Cllr Dee concerned about drug taking and vandalism. **IT WAS AGREED** to add this matter to the next Council meeting agenda.

16/12/2019 To consider articles for the Website and Newsletter

- Advert for Clerk position
- Vehicle Activated Sign
- Grants – next month
- Thank you to people who cut their hedges in response to last month's article.
- Anyone who would like to contribute a non-political history, poem for consideration.

17/12/2019 To confirm the time and date for the next meeting.

It was confirmed the next meeting would take place in the Village Hall at 7pm on Thursday 2nd January 2020.

Actions:

4/12/19	To re-present the November minutes at the January meeting of Council.	Clerk
7/12/2019	Letter to Chisholmes, Cllr Loraine Patrick and Paul Helbrow - Flooding	Cllr Browne
10/12/2019	Add Village Hall as an agenda item	Clerk
11/12/2019	S.19/0648/HHOLD - draft letter to SDC planning and copied to Stinchcombe, Wotton-Under-Edge and Painswick Parish/Town Council's	Thoss Shearer/Chairman
12/12/2019	S.19/2497/TCA - write to John Penley (Church Council) requesting Church Council to look at the application	Chairman
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