

UPPER ARLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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The Minutes of Upper Arley Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 25th March 2025 at Arley Memorial Hall. The meeting commenced at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting was preceded by a presentation from The Police and Crime Commissioner, John Campion, who provided information on the role of the Commission followed by a session listening to Members views around Policing and providing answers to any issues raised.

Present: Chairman Cllr G Rickhuss, Vice Chairman Cllr Mrs T Lawley, Cllr Mrs S Rickhuss, Cllr Mrs L Snodgrass, Cllr I Latimer JP, Cllr J Lawley, Cllr H Link, Cllr S McLachlan and Cllr A Potter.

In Attendance: Mrs A Preece (Clerk), District Cllr J Byng, District Cllr P Harrison, PCSO M Ginder, Police Sargent K Clarke and one member of the public.

1. Apologies: Apologies were received from District/County Cllr D Morehead.

2. Declarations of Interest: None.

3. Community Policing: PCSO Marc Ginder gave the Police report. He advised that the only calls received in the past month related to domestic matters, nothing relating to theft, criminal damage etc. Nationally, there had been an increase in the theft of trailers and he recommended the use of GPS trackers to protect property. He also provided some SmartWater kits and other items, including 'no off road biking' notices for distribution. It was agreed that the Policing priority for the next three months would be a more visible Police presence.

One member of the public in attendance for Public Question Time: Notes of which are appended to these minutes.

The meeting was reconvened to conduct the following items of business:

4. Dispensations: No dispensation requests received.

5. Minutes: The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 25th February 2025 at Arley Memorial Hall were approved.

6. District and County Council Matters: Nothing to report.

7. Service Reports:

a) Lengthsman: No timesheets for circulation, the Clerk confirmed that the budget had been spent for the 2024/2025 financial year.

8. Highways Issues: Cllr Mrs Snodgrass reported that a meeting was being arranged with County Highways and Arley Estates to discuss potholes and drainage issues outside Lane Farm. Cllr Latimer reported potholes on the Bewdley to Button Oak road on both sides of the County border.

9. Financial Report and Payment of Accounts:

- a) Members noted the bank balances at the 16th March 2025.
- b) Members approved payments as per the schedule.
- c) Members ratified payments as per the list.

10. Planning and Development Control:

a) Planning Applications Received

25/0169/CLE Heathfield Button Oak To Arley Road Pound Green Bewdley

Certificate of Lawfulness for the existing use of land as garden and vegetable garden in excess of 10 years. No objection.

25/0152/PNR Barn At Shatterford Lakes Bridgnorth Road Shatterford

Conversion of agricultural building to form 2no. residential units. For information only.

b) Additional Planning Applications or other Planning Matters since close of Agenda

None.

c) Planning Decisions Received

25/0087/HOU Severn View Button Oak To Arley Road Arley Bewdley

Erection of Garden Building. Approved.

25/0090/S73 Land At Os 377940 282285 Bridgnorth Road Shatterford

Variation of condition 2 (Approved plans) attached to planning approval ref: 24/0182/FUL. Approved.

24/0645/HOU 22 Arley Lane Goods Green Shatterford

Single storey front and rear extensions with two storey side extension. Approved.

11. Clerk's Report: Clerks report on ongoing items noted.

12. Correspondence for Information: Members noted correspondence report received from the Clerk.

13. Councillor's Reports and items for future agendas: Cllr Mrs Snodgrass asked for an update on the damaged telephone kiosk at the junction of Trimpley Lane and the A442. Due to costs it was suggested perhaps the way forward is to disconnect the electricity supply and remove the kiosk from site. Also the streetlight next to The Bellmans Cross public house is not working. Cllr J Lawley reported that he had seen some information regarding changes to the local bus service, Clerk to check this out and report back to the next meeting.

14. Date of Next Meeting: The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 29th April 2025 at Shatterford Village Hall preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting which will commence at 7.30 p.m.

The meeting closed at 8.10 p.m.

Signed

Chairman to Upper Arley Parish Council Cllr G Rickhuss

Notes of Public Question Time

One member of the public in attendance. No issues were raised.