

## UPPER ARLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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### The Minutes of the Meeting of Upper Arley Parish Council held at Arley Memorial Hall on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2019.

**Present:** Chairman Cllr G Rickhuss, Vice Chairman Cllr A Cheadle, Cllrs Mrs T Lawley, Mrs S Rickhuss, Mrs L Snodgrass, Mrs L Woolgar and J Lawley.

**In Attendance:** Mrs A Preece (Clerk), PCSO J Bray, District Councillors J Byng and P Harrison, four members of the public.

**1. Apologies:** Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr A Potter, District Cllrs Mrs A Coleman, Mr R Coleman and County Councillor Mrs R Vale.

**2. Declarations of Interest:** None.

The meeting was adjourned for <b>Public Question Time</b> – notes of which are appended to these minutes
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**3. Community Policing:** PCSO Jenni Bray gave her report covering incidents in the last month. A vehicle had been broken into on the Memorial Hall car park and a hedge cutter stolen. Two young males had been reported to the Police on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August when they were seen in the village interfering with some locks, they were asked to leave but didn't and the Police attended to remove them from the village. The noticeboard in Pound Green has been stuck together again.

**4. Co-option:** No applications received for co-option to fill the vacancy in Pound Green Ward.

**5. Dispensations:** No requests for a dispensation received by the Clerk.

**6. Minutes:** The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup> July at Shatterford Village Hall were approved.

**7. District and County Council Matters:** Cllr Harrison gave his report. The Kidderminster Town Centre Hub is closing on the 6<sup>th</sup> September 2019 and reopening on the 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at Green Street Depot.

#### **8. Items Requiring Discussion/Decision:**

a. Litter Bins and Planters for Village: Members agreed that cover should be arranged in future for when the Contractor is on holiday. A request had been received to provide a litter bin for Arley Social Club, Members decided to monitor the situation ongoing. The planter on Trimpley Lane needs re-siting as it is obscuring the street sign and the top planter on Arley Lane needs some attention.

b. Vehicle Activated Signs: Waiting for the installation of signs on the A442 by the Contractor and for the post to be installed by County Highways in Pound Green.

## 9. Service Reports:

- a. Lengthsman Report: No time sheet received.
- b. Parish Paths: Nothing to report.

## 10. Highways Issues: Sites need to be finalised for the installation of grit bins in Pound Green.

## 11. Financial Report and Payment of Accounts.

- a. Council noted bank balances at the 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2019.
- b. Council approved payments as per the list.
- c. Members ratified the following payments:

Public Conveniences Cleaning 1.8.19	£260.00	BACS
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- d. Annual Governance and Accountability Return: Members noted receipt of the report from the External Auditor PKF Littlejohn.

## 12. Planning and Development Control:

### a. Planning Applications

19/0479/FULL ARLEY ARBORETUM FRENCHMANS STREET ARLEY BEWDLEY  
Change of use from agricultural land to extend Arley Arboretum car park, including associated works. No objection.

19/0520/FULL COLDRIDGE FARM SHATTERFORD BEWDLEY  
Single storey rear extension with balcony over, two storey side extension. Swimming pool to rear amenity. No objection.

19/0438/CERTE OAK TREE FARM POUND GREEN ARLEY  
Certificate of Lawfulness - Use of land and building for agricultural use for a continuous period of 10 years. Objection withdrawn.

### b. Planning Decisions Received

19/0418/FULL Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of new dwelling to match original THE HOLLIES, POUND GREEN, ARLEY, BEWDLEY. Permitted.

## 13. Correspondence for Information: Clerk read out the correspondence report.

## 14. Clerk's Report: Clerk read out the report.

## 15. Councillor's Reports and items for future agendas. Cllr Cheadle reported there may be an issue with water pressure at a property in Pound Green. Cllr Mrs Lawley asked if meetings could commence at an earlier time during the winter months. The Chairman reported receiving emails alleging a breach of planning regulations, it was agreed the complainant should contact the Clerk or Wyre Forest District Council Planning Enforcement Team direct.

**16. Date of Next Meeting –7.30 p.m. Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at Pound Green and Button Oak Community Hall.**

*The meeting closed at 21.00.p.m.*

*Signed .....*

*Chairman to Upper Arley Parish Council*

Notes of Public Question Time

Four members of the public were in attendance. The following issues were raised

- Litter bin for Pound Green Village requested
- Post mounted signs for litter required in Pound Green
- Road surface in Nib Green Lane
- Permissive footpath – gate and post not being maintained by Worcestershire County Council