

UPPER ARLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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The Minutes of the Meeting of Upper Arley Parish Council held on Tuesday 25th July 2023 at Shatterford Village Hall, the meeting commenced at 7.30 p.m.

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

In attendance: Mrs A Preece (Clerk), District Cllr Emily Bourne, District Cllr J Byng and District Cllr P Harrison.

1. Declaration of Acceptance of Office: Co-opted Cllr A Potter signed the declaration of acceptance of office.

2. Apologies: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Mrs L Snodgrass, County Cllr D Morehead and the Local Policing Team.

3. Declarations of Interest: None.

4. Community Policing: Apologies for being unable to attend the meeting. PCSO Lisa Tranter advised that a report from 1st July until 23rd July showed there was nothing of interest to report to the Parish Council. The Local Policing Team are continuing to cover the priorities set by the Parish Council.

No members of the public in attendance for Public Question Time .
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5. Dispensations: No dispensation requests received.

6. Minutes: The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 26th June 2023 at Pound Green and Button Oak Community Hall were approved.

7. District and County Council Matters: Members introduced themselves to District Councillor Emily Bourne who was attending the meeting for the first time representing Bewdley and Rock Ward. She advised that Wyre Forest District Council is now consulting on its priorities for 2023-2027. There is an online survey to find out what people think is important in the District and what they would like to see the District Council focus their resources on. Cllr Dan Morehead had provided a written report giving updates to the case work he is dealing with.

8. Service Reports:

a) Lengthsman: Lengthsman timesheets were circulated.

9. Highways Issues: No issues raised.

10. Wyre Forest District Council Consultation on Public Space Protection Orders:

Members supported renewal of the Orders, response to be submitted by the Clerk.

11. Christmas Lights: Members discussed the possibility of providing some Christmas lights/Christmas decorations in Upper Arley Village but decided not to proceed with this course of action.

12. Financial Report and Payment of Accounts.

a. Members noted the bank balances at the 11th July 2023.

b. Members approved payments as per the schedule with the addition of the following payments

Lengthsman and bin emptying contract (invoice 20.6.23)	£187.00	BACS
Leedan Packaging (bin bags) (invoice 19.7.23)	£105.00	BACS
Stinkyink (printer cartridges) (invoice 20.7.23)	£34.19	BACS

c. Members ratified payments as per the list.

d. Bank Reconciliation: The Chairman completed the bank reconciliation for the period ending 30th June 2023.

13. Planning and Development Control:

a) Planning Applications Received

None.

b) Additional Planning Applications/Planning Matters since close of Agenda

None.

c) Planning Decisions Received

23/0374/HOU The Meadows Trimpley Lane Shatterford. Proposed Porch. Approved.

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

15. Correspondence for Information: Correspondence report received from the Clerk.

16. Councillor's Reports and items for future agendas: Cllr Potter asked if the Parish Council had been made aware of any work being carried out in the Parish by Severn Trent, possibly to link up Trimpley and Hampton Loade reservoirs. Clerk to contact Severn Trent for information. Cllr Latimer gave an update on the Committee meeting he attended at Pound Green and Button Oak Community Hall. The Committee agreed to accept Cllr Latimer as the Parish Council representative and made him welcome to the meeting, he will be invited to future meetings. Cllr Latimer also advised that the river bridge in Bewdley will be closed to traffic for three or four weeks enabling repairs to the bridge to take place, around the 15th August 2023. Late in August there will be a one-way traffic system put in place to enable further works to be done for a period of approximately two years, the exact

details are still being finalised. Cllr Mrs T Lawley reported some fly-tipping in Lion Lane, District Cllrs Byng and Harrison asked for the details to be emailed direct to them for action.

17. Date of Next Meeting: The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 22nd August 2023 at Arley Memorial Hall commencing at commencing at 7.30 p.m.

The meeting closed at 20.35 p.m.

Signed

Chairman to Upper Arley Parish Council Cllr G Rickhuss

Notes of Public Question Time

No members of the public in attendance [for public question time.](#)