

## UPPER ARLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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The Minutes of the Meeting of Upper Arley Parish Council held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at Arley Memorial Hall, the meeting commenced at 7.10 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 S McLachlan and Cllr A Potter

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

**1. Apologies:** Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Mrs L Snodgrass, District Cllr P Harrison and the Local Policing Team.

**2. Declarations of Interest:** Cllr H Link declared an interest in planning application 23/0801/FUL Land At Goods Green Farm Arley Lane Shatterford - Proposed Holiday Let.

**3. Community Policing:** No Officer able to attend in person but PC Steve Thomas advised that he had reviewed the incidents for the last month and, of note, there is only one crime which is the theft of a quad bike from the Upper Arley area. PC Thomas wished everyone a Merry Christmas from the Local Policing Team and they will look forward to attending a meeting in the New Year.

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

**5. Minutes:** The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023 at Shatterford Village Hall were approved.

**6. District and County Council Matters:** District Cllr Byng gave an update from the Planning Inspector on the site at The Hollies in Trimpley Lane.

### 7. Service Reports:

a) Lengthsman: Lengthsman timesheets circulated.

b) Localism and Lengthsman Contracts: Members approved for the Clerk to re-tender the contracts for the financial year commencing 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024, in accordance with good practice.

### 8. Highways Issues:

a) Cllr Link asked the Clerk to report the issue of water flowing onto the road at the top of Arley Lane just below Shatterford Village Hall. There had been a recent road incident when the water had frozen, a vehicle had skidded on the road and landed on top of the hedge. Clerk to report to Cllr Morehead.

b) Bus Shelter Arley Lane: The Clerk had now met with the resident wishing to provide a bus shelter at the top of Arley Lane opposite Shatterford Village Hall and joint enquiries were to be made regarding a suitable shelter before further submitting the request to the Highways Department at Worcester County Council.

#### **9. Financial Report and Payment of Accounts.**

- a) Members noted the bank balances at the 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023.
- 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

23/0790/LBC The Grange Frenchmans Street Arley Bewdley - Replacement of 3No. internal doors with fire doors. No objection.

Cllr H Link left the room for the next agenda item.

23/0801/FUL Land At Goods Green Farm Arley Lane Shatterford - Proposed Holiday Let. No objection.

Cllr H Link rejoined the meeting.

23/0833/FUL Arley House Frenchmans Street Arley - Demolition of store room and extension to existing tea rooms to facilitate new toilet facilities and increased floor area for the café. No objection.

##### b) Additional Planning Applications or other Planning Matter since close of agenda

None.

##### c) Planning Decisions Received

None.

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

**12. Correspondence for Information:** Correspondence report received from the Clerk.

**13. Councillor's Reports and items for future agendas:** Cllr Latimer advised that he had received a letter from a resident in relation to Pound Green and Button Oak Community Hall (Clerk to respond on behalf of Parish council). Cllr Mrs T Lawley reported that there appeared to be an issue with the chains on the fence on the Quayside (Clerk to report to County Highways).

**14. Date of Next Meeting:** The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2024 at Shatterford Village Hall. Planning training will be provided by Wyre Forest District Council commencing at 7.00 p.m.

*The meeting closed at 20.00 p.m.*

*Signed .....*

*Chairman to Upper Arley Parish Council Cllr G Rickhuss*

Notes of Public Question Time

No members of the public in attendance.