

UPPER ARLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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The Minutes of the Meeting of Upper Arley Parish Council held on Tuesday 27th February 2024 at Arley Memorial Hall, the meeting commenced at 19.00 p.m.

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

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

1. Apologies: Apologies were received and accepted from District Councillor P. Harrison, District and County Councillor D Morehead and the Local Policing Team.

2. Declarations of Interest: Vice Chairman Cllr Mrs T Lawley and Cllr J Lawley declared an interest in agenda item 11 a) Planning application '24/0079/FUL Nash End Farm Lion Lane Arley Bewdley Demolition of barn and replacement with 1No. rural workers dwelling'.

3. Community Policing: The Police report provided stated that there was nothing of note to report. However, Members are aware of incidents of crime committed in the Parish, which have been reported to the Police and a crime number issued. Clerk to ask for an explanation for this and also make a request to receive the Police report from neighbouring Alveley and Romsley Parish Council.

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 meetings held on Tuesday 5th December 2023 at Arley Memorial Hall and Tuesday 23rd January 2024 at Shatterford Village Hall were approved.

6. District and County Council Matters: Members agreed on the barrier design for the footbridge provided by Cllr Morehead. Cllr Byng gave an update on the Boundary Commission review in Wyre Forest District.

7. Worcestershire Local Nature Recovery Strategy 2024: No response agreed by Members.

8. Service Reports:

- a) Lengthsman: Lengthsman timesheets circulated.
- b) Localism and Lengthsman Contracts: The Clerk gave an update on the number of enquires and tenders currently received for the re-tendering of the contracts for the financial year commencing 1st April 2024.

9. Highways Issues:

- a) Reports from Members on any highway issues: None.
- b) Road Closure Notice: Members noted the receipt of a road closure notice for Arley Lane from its junction with U13005 for a distance of 60 metres (just below lower entrance to Arley Housing Estate) for utility works by Severn Trent Water. The anticipated duration is three days, commencing on 25th March 2024.

10. Financial Report and Payment of Accounts:

- a) Members noted the bank balances at the 20th February 2024
- b) Members approved payments as per the schedule with the addition of two payments

Pyrsman (streetlight repairs)	£1,196.63	BACS
Arley Memorial Hall (room hire),	£40.00	BACS

- c) Members ratified payments as per the list.

11. Planning and Development Control:

- a) Planning Applications Received

23/0683/FUL High Trees Farm Beacon Lane Shatterford Replacement of a barn with a dwelling and garage and demolition of further existing barn. Re-consultation of application.

No objection to application with amended plans.

24/0079/FUL Nash End Farm Lion Lane Arley Bewdley Demolition of barn and replacement with 1No. rural workers dwelling.

Clerk advised of amendment to plans – application deferred for more information.

- b) Additional Planning Applications or other Planning Matters.

None.

c) Planning Decisions Received

23/0801/FUL Land At Goods Green Farm Arley Lane Shatterford. Proposed Holiday Let. Refused.

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

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. Approved.

23/0444/HOU Micklefold Button Oak To Arley Road, Pound Green. Reinstatement of access way. Approved.

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

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

14. Councillor's Reports and items for future agendas: Cllr Link enquired if anything had been resolved regarding the water flowing across the road opposite Shatterford Village Hall. Cllr Mrs Rickhuss advised that she had already reported the damaged Romsley Lane sign to the Clerk, in addition the replacement sign for Beacon Lane had yet to put in place.

15. Date of Next Meeting: The next meeting will take place on Monday 18th March 2024 at Arley Memorial Hall commencing at 7.00 p.m. (Please note change of location).

The meeting closed at 20.45 p.m.

Signed

Chairman to Upper Arley Parish Council Cllr G Rickhuss

Notes of Public Question Time

No members of the public in attendance.