

UPPER ARLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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The Minutes of the Meeting of Upper Arley Parish Council held on Monday 24th June 2024 at Arley Memorial Hall, the meeting commenced at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Cllr Mrs S Rickhuss, Cllr Mrs L Snodgrass, Cllr I Latimer and Cllr A Potter.

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman, Cllr Mrs S Rickhuss was elected as Chairman for the meeting.

In Attendance: Mrs A Preece (Clerk) District Cllr P Harrison and three members of the public.

1. Apologies: Apologies were received from Chairman Cllr G Rickhuss, Cllr H Link, Cllr S McLachlan, District Cllr J Byng and County Cllr D Morehead.

2. Declarations of Interest: None.

3. Community Policing: Members set the Local Policing Team priorities for the period July – September 2024 as the following

1. Speeding issues on both sides of river; particularly during the evening on Upper Arley side of the river and School times between 8.30 a.m. - 9.30 a.m. on Pound Green side of the river.
2. Rural crime.
3. Drugs in Upper Arley Village.

The meeting was adjourned for Public Question Time.

Three members of the public were in attendance for Public Question Time: notes of which are appended to these minutes.
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The meeting was reconvened to conduct the following items of business:

4. Dispensations: No dispensation requests received.

5. Minutes: The minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 21st May 2024 at Arley Memorial Hall were approved.

6. District and County Council Matters: Cllr Harrison advised that planning application 24/0187/HOU in relation to Coldridge Farm, Witnells End, Shatterford had been deferred to the July Planning Committee meeting.

7. Service Reports:

a) Lengthsman: No timesheets to circulate. There had been an issue with the emptying of the waste containers by Wyre Forest District Council, but this had now been resolved.

8. Highways Issues: Cllr Potter asked the Clerk to check if all the work on the drains had been completed in Arley Lane as there appeared some hadn't been cleared at the Shatterford end of Arley lane. Cllr Mrs Rickhuss asked if there could be better communication between Worcestershire County Council and Shropshire Council with regard to road closure notices. Road closed signs had been placed on the A442, at the junction with Arley Lane with notifications of road closures which the Parish Council wasn't aware of.

9. Financial Report and Payment of Accounts:

a) Members noted the bank balances at the 8th June 2024.

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

24/0289/FUL Dowles Barn Dowles Road Bewdley
Demolition of existing agricultural building approved for domestic conversion under 19/0572/FUL and rebuild to form new dwelling. No objection.

24/0304/FUL Dowles Barn Dowles Road Bewdley
Subdivison Of Unit 2 to form 1No additional two bedroom dwelling. No objection.

Cllr Mrs Snodgrass left the meeting at 8.42 p.m.

b) Additional Planning Applications/other Planning Matters Since Close of Agenda

Planning application 24/0395/HOU 7 Arley Lane Goods Green Shatterford for a proposed part single storey and part two storey rear extensions had been received following close of agenda and would be deferred to the meeting on Tuesday 23rd July 2024.

c) Planning Decisions Received

24/0138/FUL Shatterford Lakes Bridgnorth Road Shatterford
Siting of 1No. additional static holiday caravan. 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 Rickhuss asked the Clerk to send thanks to Kidderminster Foreign Parish Council for arranging the work that had been completed on the verges on the A442 Birch Bank.

14. Date of Next Meeting: The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 23rd July 2024 at Shatterford Village Hall commencing at 7.30 p.m.

The meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.

Signed

Chairman to Upper Arley Parish Council Cllr G Rickhuss

Notes of Public Question Time

Three members of the public in attendance for Public Question Time, the following issues were raised

- Lack of meetings held in Pound Green Ward.
- How much precept income is received from Pound Green Ward and how much funding is spent in Pound Green Ward.
- What have been the achievements of the Parish Council with regard to Pound Green Ward in the last year and what do they intend to achieve in this financial year.
- There are two busy weeks coming up, the roads are a mess, drains blocked and verges need to be cut.
- Issues with speeding.
- Vandalised noticeboard – look for alternative location when repaired.