

UPPER ARLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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The Minutes of the Meeting of Upper Arley Parish Council held on Tuesday 24th January 2023 at Shatterford Village Hall, the meeting commenced at 7.00 p.m.

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

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

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the New Year.

1. Apologies: Apologies were received and accepted from the Local Policing Team and County Cllr D Morehead.

2. Co-option: No further update on the remaining vacancy for Pound Green Ward. The vacancy remains advertised on the Parish noticeboards and website along with information regarding applying for the vacancy plus notification of the election to take place for all seats on the Parish Council on the 4th May 2023.

3. Staffing Committee: Cllr A Potter was duly elected to the Staffing Committee.

4. Declarations of Interest: None.

5. Community Policing: Apologies were given on behalf of the Local Policing Team.

PC S Thomas had provided a report advising that one burglary had been reported as taking place in Shatterford on the 17th of January 2023.

The meeting was adjourned for Public Question Time:

No Members of the Public in attendance for Public Question Time
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The meeting was reconvened to conduct the following items of business:

6. Dispensations: No dispensation requests received.

7. Minutes: The minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 6th December 2022 at Arley Memorial Hall were approved.

8. District and County Council Matters: Cllr Morehead had provided his report via Cllr Byng advising that the drainage work in Pound Green is on course to be completed this year, there being more work involved than originally thought and work on the bollards at the riverside at Arley are due to be completed before the start of the holiday season. A report of potential unauthorised building work on Trimpley Lane had been made to Cllr Byng and he

had arranged for an Officer from Wyre Forest District Council to take a look at the site, further updates will be provided when available.

9. Service Reports:

- a) Lengthsman: The Lengthsman's timesheets were circulated for Members perusal. Maps were being provided of the footpaths covered by the Parish Paths Partnership Scheme so that the Contractor could carry out the clearance work.
- b) Streetlights: Members authorised the Clerk to instruct Prysmian to go ahead with the structural survey for streetlights.

10. Highways Issues: Members discussed the forthcoming Mad March Hare Cycle Race scheduled to take place on the 26th of March 2023 and asked the Clerk to pass on their concerns to County Highways. Members recounted the issues on the last cycle race through the Parish and the chaos it had caused. Members felt they received the brunt of it and at least three Councillors were involved in trying to redirect the gridlocked traffic.

11. Financial Report and Payment of Accounts.

- a. Members noted the bank balances at the 14th January 2023.
- b. Members approved payments as per the schedule.
- c. Members ratified payments as per the list.
- d. Parish Precept: Members resolved to set the Parish Precept for 2023-2024 financial year at the same level as the current financial year, resulting in no increase in the Parish Precept element of Council Tax.

12. Planning and Development Control:

a) Planning Applications Received

22/1009/HOU Woodcot Deep Trimpley Lane Shatterford. Erection of detached carport. No objection.

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

None.

c) Planning Decisions Received

None.

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

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

15. Councillor's Reports and items for future agendas: Cllr Mrs Rickhuss had been asked by a resident about repairs to the bottom of the access road to the rear of Arley Lane Estate and also reported excess water around the drain outside Arley Memorial Hall. Cllr

Link reported an issue with surface water on the road at the top of Arley Lane which needs investigating.

16. Date of Next Meeting: The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 28th February 2023 at Arley Memorial Hall commencing at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting closed at 8.00 p.m.

Signed

Chairman to Upper Arley Parish Council Cllr G Rickhuss

Notes of Public Question Time

No member of the public in attendance for public question time.