

UPTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on the 9th July 2024

Present: Cllrs. D Spittlehouse. P Rushton. M McDaniel. K Smith. G Waring. J Elvidge

Also Present: 1 Member of the public.

Absent: One

Matters Raised in the Public Forum.

There has recently been the theft of several garden ornaments from the village together with vans been broken into and tools taken. So please be vigilant.

There are several potholes in Cade Lane that have been missed when several others were filled on the High St.

There is also lots of debris in the gutter from a recent garden clearance on Cade Lane. Cllr. Jim Elvidge volunteered to go round with his tractor and clear up what is possible.

The Parish Council meeting commenced at 7.10 pm

55/24 To receive and resolve any apologies of absence:

Apologies had been received and accepted from Cllr Fotheringham and Cllr. Bailey.

56/24 Minutes of the meeting held on the 7th May 2024:

It was proposed by Cllr Smith and seconded by Cllr McDaniel, that the official minutes of meeting held 12th March 2024 are approved as correct records and signed by the Chairman. **Resolved.**

57/24 To receive declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011:

No declarations of interest.

58/24 Bus Route update:

Cllr. Smith had a Teams meeting with Cllr Butroid and Stuart Eccles and Mike Reed from LCC on the 10th June.

Both Cllr Smith and Cllr Butroid stated their case for the bus service to be reinstated through Upton. Both members of LCC stated that it would not be viable to re-route the 100 through to Upton and that Stagecoach would require £250.000 to put a bus service on.

The conclusion was, that maybe something could be achieved by introducing an alternative service, and this would require some feedback from us as to what service would be used, i.e. number of buses that would be required and the preferred destination and times of day. A trial may be possible if we have this information. The Councillors discussed this and came to the conclusion that a minimum of 4 buses in each direction would constitute a reasonable trial.

Everyone agreed that it would still be best if the 100 could make this small diversion, but a trial of any bus would be appreciated.

It was decided to give Cllr Butroid time to respond to Cllr Bailey's letter then to ask both Cllr Bailey and Cllr Butroid what the next stage forward will be. **Action required by the Clerk.**

59/24 Village Signs designs:

After appealing to members of the public in the last newsletter for any designs or ideas on a new village sign, unfortunately the Clerk had received no response.

Cllr McDaniel had an idea and will email to the clerk when it's finalised.

Cllr Elvidge had checked with Andrew Cawkwell, and he is prepared to do the signs but would need the artwork.

Both Cllr Smith and Cllr Elvidge are going to enquire at Elite signs to see what is required and approx. costing. **Action required by Cllr Elvidge and Cllr Smith.**

60/24 Concealed Entrance Signs:

Clerk still waiting to hear from Highways on this, apparently it could take several months to arrange.

61/24 Drains on Church Road:

Clerk still waiting to hear from Cllr Butroid for an update.

62/24 Request from Church Warden re-funding for Xmas lights:

All agreed that a small donation to be given towards the running costs of the xmas lights at the Church.
Resolved.

63/24 Tillbridge Solar Project:

The Tillbridge Solar project was discussed and a map of the area concerned was circulated.
Clerk to write similar letter as was sent to the Cottam and West Burton Solar projects expressing the Council's concerns. **Action required by the Clerk.**

64/24 To approve the Clerks salary and expenses for period May/June 2024:

The Clerks salary for period May/June was proposed for approval by Cllr Waring and seconded by Cllr Rushton. **Resolved.**

65/24 Payments made since 7th May 2024:

Proposed by Cllr McDaniel and seconded by Cllr Smith to accept. **Resolved.**

66/24 Planning Application decisions:

147815 Lodge House, Lodge Lane. Granted.

67/24 Village Hall meeting:

The next village Hall meeting is on the 17th July at 7.0 pm. Cllr Waring to attend.

The meeting ended at 8.0 pm.

Signed.....Dated.....

The next meeting is the 10th September 2024.