



## Waters Upton Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Waters Upton Parish Council which took place on **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2021** immediately after the Annual Parish Meeting.

**PRESENT:** Councillors: B Rothwell (Chairman)  
E Thomas  
H Roberts  
J Quin  
T Revitt

**In attendance:** Katrina Baker (Clerk)  
Cllr S Bentley (Ward Member)  
7 Members of the public

### 21/0013 WELCOME

The Chairman opened the meeting and thanked everyone for staying on to attend the Parish Council meeting.

### PUBLIC SESSION

There was no public session, as this took place at the APM.

### 21/0014 APOLOGIES

Councillor J Griffin Leave of Absence Approved

**RESOLVED that the apologies be accepted.**

### 21/0015 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

### 21/0016 MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN MARCH 2021

It was proposed by Councillor Revitt and seconded by Councillor Quin, all were in favour and thus it was

**RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2021 be accepted and signed by the Chairman as a true record.**

### 21/0017 MATTERS ARISING NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA, FOR INFORMATION ONLY

None

### 21/0018 FINANCE & AUDIT

#### a) Payments

The following payments were presented, it was proposed by Councillor Rothwell and seconded by Councillor Revitt, that the payments be made.

000207	Fly Tipping, CCTV and dog fouling signs	LG&R Act 1972 (Misc Provisions) Act 1976 s19	£26.39
000208	Parish Roadman, Play Areas, Churchyard, Parish Centre	LGA 1972 s101	£505.00

**RESOLVED that the payments, as listed be made.**

**b) Current Account**

The financial position had been reported to the Annual Parish Meeting. The current account balance is £49,035 at 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 and the precept of £12,530 has been received.

**21/0019**

**PLANNING**

**a) Planning Applications Updates**

**a) TWC/2021/0237 Shray Hill Farm**

The concerns regarding retrospective planning consent had been raised with Marc Willis from UPL Europe Limited. The Parish Council remains concerned about work that takes place before consent is granted and this has happened on the site, regarding the car park area, the electric gates and the refurbishment of the barns.

However, the main concern remains the access and egress because of the speed of traffic on the B5062. There is a traffic scheme proposed, but Members agreed that a meeting should be requested with the highways officers, which Marc agreed to attend.

**b) ENF/2018/0487 Waters Upton Hall**

Further information had been brought to the Councillor's attention at the previous Annual Parish Meeting and the neighbours have been advised to respond to the Planning Inspectorate with any new evidence or information relating to the appeal against the enforcement. This relates to the work undertaken without planning permission and which is contrary to the Listed Building status of this important property in the centre of the village.

**RESOLVED that the Parish Council will respond to the Planning Inspectorate and include the Minutes of previous meetings and confirm the opinion of the Parish Council regarding the Listed Building Status and the need to ensure that planning permission is only granted where appropriate.**

**b) New Applications for consideration**

None

**c) Waters Upton Neighbourhood Plan**

Members considered the Waters Upton Neighbourhood Plan and its importance in the determination of planning applications in the Parish. As part of the monitoring and review, the Parish Council confirmed that the WUNP continues to meet the needs of the Parish at this time. However, it is recognised that a meeting with TWC should take place in the coming weeks. TWC has a new Development Plan Officer who has been in contact and will arrange a meeting in the near future.

**d) Other Planning Matters**

None

**21/0020**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**Items received for information – please contact the Clerk if you wish to read any of these documents or if you require additional information.**

a) All correspondence has been shared with Members throughout the period since the last meeting. Members have not requested that any should be included on the agenda.

**b) Information from SALC**

SALC has continued to provide weekly updates regarding a wide range of information. Members were disappointed to find that virtual meetings can no longer take place for Parish Councils after 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

**c) Climate Change Fund Application**

A copy of the submission had been circulated, with thanks to Cllr Roberts. Following the outcome of the application, Members will consider the elements of the bid in more detail. It is hoped that, if successful, the Parish Council and engage with the community, support them in household objectives and offer help and support to the public buildings in the Parish.

**21/0021**

**HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT**

**a) A442 Cold Hatton Scheme**

It was disappointing that Phases I and II had resulted in damage to the central refuge bollards before the signals

and solar lights had been installed.

Phase III will see the completion of the project, with new bollards and signs as required and others straightened and cleaned.

**b) Crudgington to Waters Upton**

The white lining and sign programme will come to Crudgington and Waters Upton in May.

**c) Waters Upton Bridge Repairs**

We are awaiting details of the scheme and a date for the repair. It is disappointing that the tree has still not been removed from the River and it continues to cause issues.

**d) B5062**

Notification has been received that work will start Mid May. A meeting has been requested with Highways Officers and Marc Willis from Shray Hay Farm to discuss safety at and around the junction for Meeson.

**21/0022 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

A copy of the report presented to the AMP is available on request and on the website.

**21/0023 CLERK'S REPORT**

**a) Easter Litter Pick**

Thanks were recorded to everyone who had taken part over the Easter Holiday period and to Idverde who had collected the rubbish from outside of the Village Hall.

**b) Crudgington Grass Track Racing**

A report had been submitted to TWC Enforcement due to the events taking place outside of the time limits included in the planning permission.

As a result of the information received at the APM, the Clerk will also raise the concerns that residents in our Parish are surrounded by noise from three events in the local area. These are allowed to take place 14 times per year, with three events, this could result in an event every weekend local to Waters Upton Parish.

**21/0024 REPORT FROM TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL**

Councillor Bentley had presented his Annual Report to the APM. Copies are available on request and on the website. However, since completing the report he has been made aware of the night-time closure of the B5062 from 1900 to 0600 for essential maintenance and the improvements.

He has also been made aware of other concerns on The Stackyard site, Waters Upton, relating to boundaries and fence heights. He has a meeting arranged with the Legal Representative of TWC to discuss the site and the need to work within the planning condition regarding the removal of permitted development rights, which covers boundaries, car parking spaces and other relevant issues.

**21/0025 WEST MERCIA POLICE REPORT**

A brief report had been provided to the APM, although little detail was included about the actual incidents referred to, this would be helpful so that the community are prepared and Neighbourhood Watch can be active.

**21/0026 PARISH MATTERS**

**21/0027 NEXT MEETING**

26<sup>th</sup> May 2021

7.00pm Annual General Meeting  
Followed by Full Council

Waters Upton Village Hall

The Chairman thanked Members for their important contributions to the meeting and thanked the residents for attending. There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40pm.

Signed .....Date .....

*These Minutes are produced in draft form. E & OE until confirmed as a true record by Full Council at the next meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021.*