

OUTWELL PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting (the 295th), of the Council, commenced on Tuesday 2nd May 2017,
With the re-elected Chairman Councillor Mr J. Wake presiding.

Attending :-

Councillors Mrs J. Gooch, Mr. J. Watts, Mr P. Brenchley, Mr. Fred Keer, Mr D. Boyce, Mr P. Cutting, Mrs T. Rust,
Mr A. Mould, Mr J. Hollands and Mr D. Murfitt

Borough Councillor Mr. Harry Humphrey.
Borough Councillor Mr. Chris Crofts
1 member of public

Apologies for absence :-

Councillor Mr P. Cutting.

Public Forum :-

The Village Cleaner raised a concern that people are putting bags of grass cuttings next to the bin outside the Post Office and Village Stores. This to be monitored. Chairman to have a word with the Shop owner.

Councillors' Declaration of Interest in tonight's Agenda Items (as per Standing orders):-

None.

Police reports :-

Council are receiving the updates for the area but would prefer a monthly update on crimes in the Parish of Outwell. Clerk to request this. Also to get the Mobile Police Van in location as soon as is possible.

Minutes of the last Meeting (4th April 2017) :-

These having been circulated before the meeting, they were amended in the Police section, then accepted - on a proposal by Councillor Mr F. Keer and seconded by Councillor Mrs. J Gooch.

Matters Arising :

- a). Janet Edgson doesn't know who owns the seat at the top of Sutton's Close. It has a Council plaque on it so that will be removed and saved. Councillor Paul Brenchley to carry out the work of removal and disposal.
- b). There is no more advance on the Neighbourhood Plan. The Standing Committee are yet to meet. More information to be made available to them by Borough/Councillor Mr Chris Crofts. Councillor Mrs Jill Gooch gave update on where Upwell Council are with theirs.

Correspondance :-

- a). Nominate a good cause from Local Green Points- Clerk will sort the forms for application on behalf of St. Clement's Church and Outwell Village Hall and Playingfield.
- b). SLCC Subscription renewal- £93.00 for subscription and £8.00 for lapsed fee- it was proposed by Councillor Mr. D. Boyce to resubscribe and seconded by Councillor J. Hollands. Unanimously agreed.
- c) Insurance is due 1.6.17. Aon have been Council's previous insurers and they offer a very good policy- this year is £442.12, premium £394.75 plus £47.37IPT. It was proposed by Councillor Fred Keer to use this insurance company and Seconded by Councillor Alan Mould. Unanimously agreed. Cheque to be written at this meeting.
- d). Upwell and Outwell Age Concern Luncheon Club- requesting a donation-on a proposal of £250.00 by Councillor Mr Alan Mould, this was seconded by Councillor Mrs Jill Gooch. Unanimously agreed. Cheque to be written at this meeting.

e). Councillor Mr Dale Boyce declared an interest on this matter.

Usually this time of the year Council make a donation to St. Andrew's Chapel for use of their room- on a proposal of £250.00 by Councillor Mrs Jill Gooch, this was seconded by Councillor Mr. John Hollands. This was unanimously agreed.

f). Various other documents are on the 'information table' for Councillors attention.

Working Party Reports

Beaupre School- Council Representative

Councillor Mrs Tara Rust informed the Council that the Headteacher is leaving at the end of Summer term and will be replaced for September term. As soon as it is known whom the replacement is she will let Council know.

Cemetery

Councillor Mr. Dale Boyce reported that cemetery is tidy.

Playingfield/Recreation Ground :-

Councillor Mr Paul Brenchley reported that everything is going well with bookings and finances. There is to be a raft race and Music Festival the Bank Holiday weekend. He will ask the Middle Level to get the banks cut back for the event.

Allotments:-

Nothing was reported.

Planning:- Report is attached

Planning- report attached- a letter received from Mrs Johnson- objecting against the outline application for 9 self builds at the bottom of Whetstone Way. A playden that has been built in the garden of a resident in Isle Bridge Road is rather intrusive and unsightly. A resident has been given contact details to report this to the Enforcement officer at Borough Council.

Village Committee and Highway matters including Streetlights :-

Several potholes reported at the meeting. The Authorities to be informed along with other matters raised. Richard Melton from Upwell Parish Council along with Councillor Mr. Paul Brenchley are meeting Mr Andy Wallace NCC highways to discuss the Trod in Lowside. Report next meeting. Cars being sold on the Infilled Canal is becoming a nuisance again. Polite notices have been erected. County Councillor Mr Harry Humphries informed Council to contact Highways and Trading Standards

County and Borough Councillor Reports:-

Borough Councillor Mr. Chris Crofts reported that there will be a new mayor elected. He talked about the broken housing market- he is to send information regarding this.

County Councillor Mr Harry Humphrey reported that election is this week.

Finance

1. Debits- (i) EON Energy £207.31- May (ii) D. Newton – Clerk's Salary £506.00 May, (iii). Drainage- £66.02.
2. Income- Precept- £13,300.00, Grant £696.00, Allotment payments £2,215.00.
3. March accounts were formerly approved.
4. BulleyDavy- are acting on behalf of Parish Council to sort out the Clerk's PAYE- no contributions to be paid this month.
5. Councillor Mr Paul Brenchley is going to contact CGM and see if a deal can be made for cutting the Playingfield grass and infilled canal.

6. Councillor Fred Keer reported on the March Variances- copy in Cashbook.
7. The Annual governance Statement 2016/17 was agreed and signed.
8. The Accounting statements 2016/17 were then agreed and signed.

<u>Payments for May 2017 Authorisation</u>					
Payee	Goods/ Services	VAT	Total	Ref	Supplier/ Service
Debbie Newton*	506.00	0.00	506.00	DD	Clerk Wages
Mr Ellington	180.00	0.00	180.00	102250	Village cleaner
CGM	516.16	103.24	619.40	102251	Infilled canal cutting
BT	47.86	0.00	47.86	102252	Clerk's expenses April
bckl&wn	500.50	0.00	500.50	102253	Bin emptying
Aon Uk	442.12	0.00	442.12	102254	Annual Insurance
Bulley davy	54.00	10.80	64.80	102255	Wages and PAYE
Mrs Nicholas	1500.00	0.00	1500.00	102256	Allotment Rent
WebSite/PC	6.99	1.40	8.39	102257	Monthly sub and update
K&M Lighting	85.68	17.14	102.82	102247	Streetlights
Upwell & Outwell LC	250.00	0.00	250.00	102248	Section 137 payment
St. Andrews Chapel	250.00	0.00	250.00	102249	Section 137 payment
Eon Energy	199.49	39.90	239.39	DD	Energy Charges
	<u>4538.80</u>	<u>172.48</u>	<u>4711.28</u>		

Rural Exception Site for Affordable Housing-

No updates.

Public Rights of Way:-

Nothing reported.

Back Lane/The Tramway:-

Nothing reported.

Outwell Parish Council Website-

Is updated.

Site Allocations and Development Management-

No update.

Council Procedures :-

None.

Other urgent matters :-

None.

Date of next meeting :-

Tuesday 4th June at 7.00p.m. at **St. Andrew's Church.**

There being no other business to conduct, the meeting was declared closed at 8.30pm

Signed as true record of the meeting :-

..... Chairman