

**Minutes of the meeting of UFFINGTON PARISH COUNCIL held in the Tom Browns School Museum at 7.30pm on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2008.**

1. **Present:** Cllrs. Mr. G Banks Chairman, Mrs. K Pilcher, Mrs. H Godsell, Mrs. S Smith, Mr. J Helsby & Mrs. B Jones - Clerk.

0 members of the public attended.

**Apologies:** Yvonne Constance and Anda Fitzgerald-O'Connor

2. **Minutes** of the meeting held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2008 were approved by Cllr Mrs. K Pilcher. Minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August were approved by Cllr Mrs. S Smith. Both were seconded by Cllr. Mrs H Godsell and signed by the Chairman.

3. **Matters Arising:**

It was noted that the badly damaged tarmac and verge outside Birdbrook Cottage had been fixed.

4. **Planning:**

- a) Old Smithy House (UFF/20259/1&2, 08/00539/FUL & 08/00540/CON) - Withdrawn
- b) South View Farm amendment (UFF/2551/3, 08/01514/FUL) - PERMITTED
- c) The Crest, Sower Hill (UFF/4131/2) (APP/V3120/A/08/2070294) - Appeal Dismissed
- d) Lilac Cottage, Woolstone Corner (UFF17087/2, 08/01365/FUL) – Garden shed/summer house – No Objections.

- 5a. **Finance:**

To approve cheques previously signed:

- (i)OPFA subs £30.00
- (ii)VWHDC dog bin servicing £48.73
- (iii)Southern Electric £139.78
- (iv) M&A Electricals £197.40
- (v)Toby Robson litter picking July £25.00

To approve & sign cheques:

Note: Received BACS transfer from HM Customs VAT of £1,345.99.

- 5b. **Other Finance:**

- It was noted that T. Robson was doing a good job picking up litter.
- The Bank Reconciliation of the accounts for 29<sup>th</sup> August 2009 was passed round.
- It was agreed that we should proceed with the electrical repairs to the Museum, as detailed in the survey by M&A Electricals. **Action:** Cllr. Mrs. S Smith to organise.

## 6. Jubilee Field:

- The RoSPA report was shown. The report showed that the only high risk problem was the links on the Junior swing need replacing. **Action:** Clerk to write to Mervyn Richings.
- The RoSPA report also showed that these swings need painting. **Action:** Cllr. Mrs. H Godsell volunteered to do this.
- A cheque of £50 was received from Scarrott Fair for use of the Jubilee Field. It was felt that 50% of this should go to the THMH. It was felt safer and less damaging to the field and vehicles that the car park was used, due to the recent adverse weather conditions and the wetness of the field. **Action:** Send cheque to hall.
- The Parish Council were informed of excessive glass by the Recycling bins on THMH car park on the grass near by. Cllr. Mr. G Banks collected some glass but believes the glass to be residue of emptying the recycling bins.
- Cllr. Mrs. H Godsell has cut back hedges and brambles to the entrance to White Horse and on the road by the pond.

## 7. Upkeep:

- Cllr. Mrs. H Godsell noted that several stiles behind the farm and towards the railway are in need of repair or are impassable because of nettles, also a bridge is starting to rot on Common Farm, Uffington. **Action:** Clerk to write a letter to Mr Jim Matthews.
- Mr. J Henville has brought to the Councils attention that the tarmac footpath on 'The Green' that goes diagonally across is all overgrown. **Action:** Clerk to write to Col. Rosser.

## 8. Flooding:

- It was noted that the ditch between Stockholm Farm and South View Farm has been cleared. **Action:** Send letter to Mr. R. Salmon to thank him.
- It was agreed to pay for the call out charge to get equipment delivered to Ivor Richings, so he could clear his ditches, as he doesn't have the necessary equipment to do this. **Action:** Clerk to contact Ivor.
- **Action:** Cllr. Mr. G Banks would speak to the residents of 'The Walnuts' about helping them to clear their awkward ditch.

## 9. Correspondence:

- Courier Notice should be about using dog bins and keeping ditches free from blockages. Autumn clear up date was set for 10 am on **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November**, meet at THMH car park.
- It was decided not to 'adopt' the non working Uffington Phone box.

10. Date of next meeting: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2008 at 7.30pm in the Museum as usual.