

MINUTES OF A UPTON ST LEONARDS PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING HELD IN THE PAVILION ON
MONDAY 2nd OCTOBER 2023 AT 7.30 PM

Present: Cllr Roy Roberts Chairman
Cllr Jim Browne
Cllr Graham Hayes
Cllr David Hunt
Cllr Mary McLachlan
Cllr Hilary Morris
Cllr Pete Wilson

In Attendance: 3 Members of the Public

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman the Council unanimously agreed to appoint Cllr Roy Roberts to Chair this meeting.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

A Member of the Public asked if an ANPR Camera could be considered for the High Street, the Council agreed to ask the County Councillor if this could be considered.

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Council accepted apologies from Cllrs Chrissie Castle, Keith Pearson, Matt Sergeant and County Cllr Sue Williams.

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA

There were none.

3. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2023

The minutes were accepted as an accurate record of the meeting and duly signed.

4. TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING REPORTS:

- a. County Councillor.** A report was circulated to the Members prior to the meeting, the Chairman then detailed the salient points.

The report is available on the Councils Website – follow the link below:

<http://www.uptonstleonards-pc.gov.uk/parish-council/parish-council-meetings/>

b. **District Councillor.** There was no report received.

c. **Council Chairman.**

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The Council also noted the appointment of its new part time Administration Assistant, Tracy Slator effective on the 3rd October 2023

d. **Coopers Edge.** The Clerk advised that Cllr Matt Sergeant is dealing with other authorities in regards to anti-social behaviour.

5. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM THE M5 WORKING GROUP

Cllr David Hunt reported that our formal complaint is still being considered by the ombudsman.

6. TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING REPORTS:

- a. **Allotments.** Cllr Mary McLachlan updated the Council on Allotment matters, and asked if a numbering system could be investigated.
- b. **Recreation Ground/Pavilion.** Cllr David Hunt reported that the repairs to Pavilion soffit and tiles have been completed, he also stated that a request to use temporary floodlights during training sessions had been received from the Football Club, the Council agreed to ask for a demonstration of the floodlights in operation before making a formal decision. The Council agreed to publish an item in the USL Life reminding members of the public to ensure that their dog is kept on a lead when using the Recreation Ground. Finally, Cllr Hunt asked if a sum of 1K could be included in the next budget for Pavilion Maintenance.
- c. **Environment.** Cllr Pete Wilson advised that an Environment Working Group Meeting will be held soon. Cllr Wilson also asked if 1k could be included in the forthcoming budget for the cost of installing 4 kissing gates.
- d. **Village Hall.** It was reported that the Village Hall hedge has now been cut.

7. FINANCE

a. **APPROVAL OF ACCOUNT to approve the Accounts for payment.** The following accounts were presented for payment:

Payee	Chq Number	Amount	Reason
J Evans	3199	£ 40.00	Litter Pick
GCC	3200	£ 528.00	Footpaths
GPFA	3201	£ 50.00	Subscriptions
C Castle	3202	£ 65.38	Lanyards / Card
SWAT	3203	£ 1,200.00	Defib Renewal
HMRC	3204	£ 329.81	Tax / NI
R Balgobin	3205	£ 1,042.65	Salary / Exp
Void	3206	£ -	
G Knight	3207	£ 540.00	Grasscutting
D Cridland	3208	£ 2,808.00	Groundworks
	Total	£6,603.84	

The Council agreed that the accounts be accepted for payment.

8. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Monday 6th November 2023 at 7.30 pm in the Recreation Ground Pavilion.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.12 PM