

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF UPWOOD AND THE RAVELEYS
PARISH COUNCIL

Held on Monday, 7th September 2009 at 7.30 p.m.

Present	Mr D Paine	Chairman
	Mr T Bell	
	Mr D Oldale	
	Mrs J Paxton	
	Mr A Perkins	
	Mr C Racey	
	Mr J Rignall	
	Mr K Sisman	
	Clerk and one member of the public	

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Mr N Gowler. Mr G Hillman and Mr D McCreadie were absent. (Apologies in retrospect were received from Mr Hillman).

2. Declarations of Interest

There were none.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 6th July 2009

Subject to one minor spelling mistake, in Item 4, paragraph 2 'forwards' amended to 'towards', the Minutes were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters arising

Mr Paine advised that Mr Lack had been in contact via email. It was advised that HDC would be 'picking up the bill' for the ground works and the Parish Council just have to pay for the posts/gates. Various estimates for the ground work had been received and Mr Lack had accepted the quote from Mr Lee Gray. Quotes received from Fenland Ironworks and Cannock Gates for the gates were discussed. Mrs Paxton proposed that the quotation from Lee Gray for the ground work be accepted, seconded by Mr Rignall. Mr Racey proposed that the quotation from Fenland Ironworks for the gates be accepted, seconded by Mr Rignall. It is hoped that the work will be implemented as soon as possible. Mr Gray will be asked to ensure safe access for those visiting the cemetery.

The trees in Mr Moxon's spinney were discussed. Mr Paine advised that Mr Ayres had been in contact with Mr Moxon who has been persuaded to have work done. Mr Rignall queried whether any correspondence had been entered into with Mr Moxon. It was advised that Mr Ayes had been in contact with Highways Department.

5. Correspondence

Mr H Talton - copy letter to Planning Department re planning application 0900719FUL
Claire Robson - Cambridgeshire County Council – Highway Maintenance leaflet
James Wilson - Cambridgeshire Transport Commission Final Report
Muir Group - play area at Farm Close
HDC - street naming and numbering
HDC - Mr Ogden - Notification of tree work
HDC - SHLAA Briefing Note
NHS CCS - Invitation to AGM
CCC - street light
CCC - Community Engagement Strategy Consultation
Nigel Gowler – thank you note
HDC – Public Meetings Schedule – September 2009
HDC – Arts Diary – September/October
Open University – letter and leaflet
Luminus Group – newsletter
Cambridgeshire ACRE – newsletter
Direct Information Service – newsletter
NALC – newsletter
Rattee & Kett – newsletter
Timberline – letter and brochure
Magpas – newsletter August 2009

6. s137 Payments

- Contribution to website

Clerk reminded members of correspondence received from Doug McLeod who administers the website. Mr Sisman offered to provide space on his server. Clerk to write to Mr McLeod to invite him to contact Mr Sisman direct.

7. Cheques

Mr L Gray	£639.00
Arboreal Services	£170.00
Clerk (inc postage)	£257.47

8. Maintenance

- Trees in St Peter's Churchyard

Quote received from Arboreal Services in the sum of £340, but this work in abeyance. Mr Racey reported that Mr Ogden had visited who had written to Mr Paine.

Mr Ogden had no objection to works being carried out to yew trees, but does not consider work necessary to horse chestnut trees. It had been noted that volunteers had been working in the churchyard, improving its appearance and clearing ivy etc.

Mr Racey suggested letter is sent to PCC to advise that the work being undertaken is not covered by the Parish Council's insurance and therefore PC not responsible should a mishap occur.

Mr Slinn mentioned a document he had received from the Secretary of the Diocese of Ely and had duly handed to the Chairman before the meeting commenced. Mr Paine will look over the document and hopefully he will have an answer for the next meeting.

9. Allotments

It was reported that a couple of the allotments are in need of attention. Clerk to write to allotment holders. No further action to be taken with regard to additional tap.

10. Planning

0900915FUL – Ground floor front extension, two storey rear extension to dwelling and erection of double garage – 108 High Street Upwood – *no observations either in favour or against the proposal*. **Response already submitted in view of deadline set by HDC.**
0901038FUL – Erection of building accommodating office units following demolition of existing structure – Agricultural buildings 11 High Street Upwood - *no observations either in favour or against the proposal*
0901072FUL – Single storey extension to front and side of dwelling with double storey extension – 9 Longholme Road Upwood – *extension us forward of building line, but apart from this there are no objections.*

11. Any Other Business

Hedge cutting - Agenda item for next meeting.

Mr Sisman advised that the police are undertaking speed enforcement in the area.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.