**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting** of Udimore Parish Council held on Wednesday 18th September 2024

1. **Present.** Cllr. Gary Quinnell (Chair), Cllr. Nigel Anderson, Cllr. Roddy Mair and Cty Cllr. Carl Maynard
2. **Apologies.** Apologies were received from Cllr. Neil Gordon.
3. **Disclosures of interest.** There were none.
4. **Reports from District and County Councillors.**

Cllr. Maynard reported that County Council will have a major shortfall in their Budget next year, and that he is consulting on the bus timetable. The District Council will certainly have problems meeting its housing targets.

1. **Minutes from previous meeting.**

The minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 17th July 2024 were agreed.

1. **Planning.**
   1. The members noted the changes to the Planning System Consultation.
   2. The members noted the Rother District Council consultation.
2. **Finance.**
   1. Bank Statements. The Council resolved to accept the Bank Statements for July and August 2024.
   2. Bank Reconciliation. The Council resolved to accept the Bank Reconciliations for July and August 2024
   3. Payment Schedule. The Council resolved to accept the Payment Schedule for July and August 2024

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| 12/7/24 | HMRC | £ 133.40 |  | £ 133.40 |
| 15/7/24 | Clerk pay & exps | £ 600.48 |  | £ 600.48 |
| 16/7/24 | Playsafety | £ 78.00 | £ 15.60 | £ 93.60 |
| 7/8/24 | HMRC | £ 133.60 |  | £ 133.60 |
| 12/8/24 | Clear Insurance | £ 225.83 |  | £ 225.83 |
| 12/8/24 | SLCC | £ 105.00 |  | £ 105.00 |
|  |  | £1,276.31 | £ 15.60 | £1,291.91 |

* 1. Annual Budget v. Spend. This was noted.
  2. Movement of funds. This was noted.

1. **Highways.**
   1. Potholes. The Clerk was asked to report the potholes by Bowde Cottage and Sowdens Wood.
   2. Village walk through. It was proposed that a walk-through the village be carried out in October.
   3. Speed Limits. The project to install the Village Gates and a VAS cannot proceed until the Safety Officer has visited. Cllr. Maynard was asked to assist. It was reported that there had been a serious accident outside the Plough Inn, due to a driver travelling too fast.
   4. Village Gates. Cllrs. were asked to provide the What3Words for the locations of the gates.
2. **Climate Emergency.**

Nothing to report.

1. **St Mary’s Community Hall.**
   1. Car park extension. The Parish Council resolved to contribute £3,000 towards the project.
2. **Playground.**
   1. Monthly Safety Checks. These are being carried out.
   2. Annual Inspection**.** In hand, with the Chair. Several amber reports will need attention and car parking may become a problem adjacent with the playground.
3. **Bus Shelter/stand by Float Lane.**

No further action pending the route changes

1. **Bus timetable changes**

These changes were considered to be very unsatisfactory as school children using Route 342 would now have to spend an additional hour on the bus to and from school. Cllr. Maynard agreed to pursue this, and the Chair would email Cllr. Maynard with the problems.

1. **Correspondence from the Clerk**

It has been recommended that the Council change to Gov.uk emails and website. The Clerk was requested to obtain an estimate of the costs involved.

1. **Items for inclusion on future agendas.**

None

1. **Date and Location of next meeting -**

20th November 2024, 6.30pm at Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 7.40pm.

Signature of Chair ………………………………………