



**MINUTES OF UPCHURCH GENERAL PURPOSE AND  
PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18  
JANUARY 2023 AT 19:30PM IN UPCHURCH VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr G Rosewell, Cllr P Denny, Cllr J Bodycomb, Cllr G Lewin  
Officer: Clerk, Nina Henley  
External Attendees: None  
Apologies: Cllr T Ripley, Cllr H Boakes, Cllr E Bernsten  
External Apologies: None

**33. Apologies for absence**

Cllr Boakes (Family) Cllr Ripley (ill) Cllr Bernsten (work)

**34. Declarations of interests and lobbying**

There were none.

**35. Minutes**

Minutes of the meeting held on 16 November 2022 already approved at Full Council.  
Noted

**36. Public Participation**

There was one member of the public present.

**37. Planning**

Update on planning matters

Cllr Rosewell reported he attended the two day planning consultation with Gladman Homes and Swale Borough Council. Cllr Rosewell relayed to the planning consultants Upchurch Parish Council's concerns and objections to the plans. Any updates on this plan to be reported to council at next meeting.

Noted.

Cllr Rosewell to attend local parishes meeting on Bobbing Garden Village Monday 23 January. Report at next meeting.

Noted.

Member of the public discussed the revised plans for Burntwick – UPC advised him to make his objections on the planning portal.

Cllr Denny reported that members of the public have asked for updates on 116. Cllr Rosewell to ask case officer for update.

Cllr Denny reported that member of public asked about caravan on Wallbridge Lane whether planning permission still applies. Cllr Rosewell to check with SBC.

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**38. Paddock and Recreation Ground**

- I. Confirmation of Woodland Trail added to insurance.  
Noted
- II. Updates on extra equipment for Woodland Play area.  
Clerk to investigate grant funding. Cllr Denny reported that resident has made 6 bird boxes and 3 bat boxes for the new woodland area. UPC gives thanks to resident for this. Cllr Denny to discuss bug hotels with the school.  
Noted.

**39. Allotments**

Update on Clerk / Cllr Bodycomb site visit and review.  
Visit and review moved to 25<sup>th</sup> January. Clerk attending Allotment Management training course.  
Report at next meeting.  
Noted.

**40. Burial Ground and Churchyard**

Burial Ground bank works funding proposal being progressed with meetings in January. Update to be provided in February meeting.  
Noted.

**41. Highways and Street Lighting**

Nothing to report on highways.  
Street lighting - Clerk to chase EDF for update. Electricity bills to be sent to Cllr Bernsten.  
Noted

**42. Footpaths**

Nothing to report.

**43. Environment**

Nothing to report.

**44. Village Clock**

The clock is now working again.  
Noted

**45. Flagpole**

To consider Upchurch Parish Council installing a flagpole.  
Deferred to February GPC & Planning meeting.

**46. Items to be considered for inclusion on the next GP and Planning Committee agenda.**

Decisions on KALC Awards. Swale Borough Council Planning applications sent to Clerk. Report from Bobbing Parish meeting. Upchurch Spring Clean.

**47. To agree Public exclusion.**

There were no members of the press or public present at this point.

- I. Village Caretaker. Clerk reported new caretaker has been appointed subject to contract and insurance review. To be reported to next full council meeting in Feb.  
Agreed unanimously.

**48. Date of next meeting**

15 February 2023  
Agreed Unanimously.

**49. Meeting closed 8.20pm**

