



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

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

- 9-GPM/07/23 To receive apologies for absence**
Cllr Boakes (Family) Cllr Bernsten (Unavailable) Cllr Ripley (Unavailable)
- 10-GPM/07/23 To receive declarations of interests and lobbying**
None
- 11-GPM/07/23 Minutes**
Minutes of the GPC & Planning Committee held 19 April 2023 were approved at Full Council Meeting Thursday 1 June 2023.
Noted.
- 12-GPM/07/23 Public Participation**
There were no members of the public present.
- 13-GPM/07/23 Planning**
I. 23/502603/FULL IPL Spade Lane Formation of concrete bases and 2 additional chiller compounds.
Upchurch Parish Council has no objections but wants full weight given to the environmental protection team's comments.
- 14-GPM/07/23 Upchurch Parish Council Reporting**
I. Paddock and Recreational Ground
(a) To receive update on repairs to access road / car park deferred from full council.
It was reported that UPC has received 2 quotes. Noted.
It was resolved for Clerk to obtain one further quote and defer to Full Council when all three quotes are in to make decision. Clerk to order new bollard to be replaced.

Cllr Denny reported the Oak Tree in Recreation Ground needs some attention. It was proposed by Cllr Denny to purchase some fertilizer to help. Seconded by Cllr Rosewell.
Unanimous.
Cllr Denny reported that the bat boxes are with the contractor for installation.
Clerk to chase contractor for weed control in car park.

II. Burial Ground & Churchyard

(a) Transfer of Churchyard responsibility to the borough.

It was reported that this had been chased with SBC and email received to say the request has been sent on to relevant department.
Noted.

III. Highways & Street Lighting

(a) Highways Improvement Plan update from Cllr Horton.

Cllr Horton gave verbal update on the HIP. Cllr Horton reported that KCC has transferred UPC HIP to their format and have agreed to review submissions annually. Cllr Horton has archived all completed projects and those not achievable. The 2 projects left on the HIP to go to public consultation in September. Cllr Horton reported the repainting schedule to include a slow sign on Oak Lane. Repainting due to start imminently.
Noted.

IV. Footpaths

(a) No updates.

V. Environment

(a) Biodiversity Grant consider idea to widen the project to other parishes.

It was resolved to not pursue the grant and consider other ideas for the bank work.
Deferred to next meeting.

Cllr Lewin reported over grown vegetation on Horsham Lane and Wallbridge Lane – clerk to report. Noted.

VI. Allotments

(a) It was reported all new tenants working well.

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| 15-GPM/07/23 | Items to be considered for inclusion on the next GP and Planning Committee agenda.
Kent Transport Plan
Bank works
Update on tree works. |
| 16-GPM/07/23 | Date of next meeting
20 September 2023 |
| 17-GPM/07/23 | Meeting closed 8.40pm |

