

## **UPTON PARISH COUNCIL AIMS & OBJECTIVES 2016-17**

### **Administration**

- Ensure adherence to the agreed document storage and archiving procedure.
- Review Clerk's salary to ensure it is commensurate with the duties undertaken.

### **Finance**

- Produce clear and accurate documents that effectively communicate our financial situation.
- Set a precept and budget that ensures the ongoing work and commitments undertaken by the council are adequately resourced and insured.
- Ensure proper practices are followed at all times, in accordance with the adopted financial regulations.

### **Training**

- We will encourage the development of all councillors and clerk through attendance of appropriate training courses when available.

### **Planning**

- Seek to maintain the village character as a small village in a rural setting, through proper understanding and use of the planning system.
- Work constructively with the planning authorities and where appropriate owners to achieve satisfactory outcomes that enhance or benefit Upton while protecting the North Wessex Downs AONB.

### **Parish Plan**

- Consider the data published within the 2016 Parish Plan and where practical/feasible, undertake measures in accordance to the wishes expressed by village residents.

### **Amenities**

- Support UVHAT in the upkeep of the village hall and enhancement of it's facilities.
- Support the continuation of services at St Mary's Church and it's upkeep.
- Maintain the recreation ground and playground equipment to a high standard.
- Ensure routine safety inspections of the playgrounds.
- With the support of the Volunteer Group, improve and maintain communal village areas.

### **Services**

- Continue financial support for printing Upton News, ensuring the continuation of the hardcopy circulation.
- Ensure the Parish Council pages on the village web site are complete and correct.

### **Roads and Footpaths**

- With the support of the Volunteer Group, continue to cut the grass on village footpaths.
- Maintain pressure for the reduction of speeding traffic through the village and the provision of a pedestrian crossing on the A417.
- Continue efforts to establish a cycle route to Blewbury, which satisfies the requirements of all interested parties.

**Chairman, Upton Parish Council**  
**16<sup>th</sup> May 2016**