

# UPTON PARISH COUNCIL

## AIMS & OBJECTIVES 2017-18

### Administration

- Ensure adherence to the agreed document storage and archiving procedure. Review procedure annually between **January & March**.
- Review Clerk's salary annually in **June** to ensure it is commensurate with the duties undertaken.

### Finance

- Produce clear and accurate documents that effectively communicate our financial situation at bi-monthly parish council meetings.
- Set a precept and budget that ensures the ongoing work and commitments undertaken by the council are adequately resourced and insured in **January** each year.
- 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 residents, 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 at the UPC AGM 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 weekly routine safety inspections of the playgrounds plus an Annual external professional inspection.
- With the support of the Volunteer Group, improve and maintain communal village areas.

### Services

- Continue financial support for printing Upton News, with payment of annual printing invoice, ensuring the continuation of the hardcopy circulation.
- Ensure the Parish Council pages on the village web site are kept up to date, complete and correct, with annual review of information between **January and March**.

### **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.

### **Special Projects**

- Small play area next to village hall
  - To look at pros and cons of moving the small toddler play area closer to the large play area on the recreational ground
- Village Hall Car Parking
  - To look at possible ways of extending the parking area in front of the village hall.
- Defibrillator Installation at Village Hall
  - To investigate the installation of a fully compliant defibrillator unit to the exterior of the village hall

**Chairman, Upton Parish Council**  
**May 2017**