UGBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday 14th October 2026 at 7.00pm
In the Ugborough Village Hall

MINUTES

PRESENT: Cllrs Slater, (Chair), Beable, Fletcher, Hart, Hosking, Johns, Nelson, Wells

3 members of the public were in attendance.

The meeting began with the members of the public raising their concern regarding the on-going problem of speeding traffic on the A3121 and the dangerous junction at Ludbrook. Various solutions were discussed and Cllr Thomas outlined the various policies regulating action that can be taken on major roads.
It was agreed that the clerk would discuss suitable sites for a speed warning camera with the DCC Highways Officer and request setting it below the national speed limit for that road as a deterrent. A request also to be made to review signage on the road with a view to installing additional warning signage at the junctions.

Cllr Dan Thomas then summarised the current status of the paused Local Government Review and answered questions from the Council regarding possible outcomes, time-scales (can't be answered) and any potential impact on local elections. (None)

County Councillor Update:
- DCC SEND plan had been approved and £191m national funding is back in the budget. **Cllr Thomas will ask how the budgeting for SEND will work this financial year**
- An additional £4.5m spend on Highways has been approved - £3m for capital projects and the remaining for a new rapid response initiative and improved drainage works on highways.
- Cllr Thomas is investigating why the agreed planting of the field adjacent to the Kitterford Roundabout has not taken place.

South Hams District Council Councillors Update:
Cllrs DeWynter and Abbott had sent apologies. The report is on the website.
SUMMARY
- Flu Vaccine Programme
- Saxon Gate
- Repeated Call for Sites
- New Planning Laws
- Heritage at Risk
- Junior Life-skills
- Council and Citizens Advice team up on money support
- CCTV and Fly-tipping
- Torcross Sea Defence Work
- Dartmouth Lower Ferry
- Consultations – registered taxi fares
- Proposed Animal Licensing Policy

Questions from the public:
1. A resident had requested that Council consider a parking situation on Lutterburn Street, Ugborough. The matter had been assessed but there are no parking infringements and so Council cannot pursue. **A note will be added to the report for The Newsletter requesting that people park considerately throughout the parish.**
2. Council will purchase an additional sign advising on the considerate disposal of dog waste for the field on the road from Ugborough Village to The Sign of the Owl.

3. There was a question regarding a recent planning application which **Cllr Hosking will respond to**

26.95 Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Denise Cooper, Tom Holway and Jon May

26.96 There were no declarations of interest

26.97 The Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th September 2026 were approved

Matters Arising:

- Scheduled Highways work on the B3196 Fowlescombe to Loddiswell – There are no scheduled works and previously approved action to use S106 funding opportunities to widen the road was overturned by Development Planning Chief Officers subsequently. **Cllr Thomas will investigate.**
- New grill on Lutterburn Stream – DCC are ready to install a new grill and Undertown residents have received a letter detailing the work and seeking approval for the work
- Missing bench in Lucerne Fields Play Area – The Management Company have no knowledge of where this bench has gone. **A replacement will be considered as part of the budget setting process at the November meeting.**

26.98 Planning

1. The following applications were considered:

a) 2060/26/OPA Development Site At Sx 705 544 Lane To Marridge Farm Ugborough

Outline planning application for an Agricultural Workers Dwelling

Support

b) 26/0074 Works to Trees protected by TPO T1 (Beech) 2.5m canopy reduction on North East aspects. Mr Grose EDGCUMBE, Moorhaven, Ivybridge, Devon, PL21 0EX

Support

c) 2359/26/VAR Application for variation of condition 1 (approved plans) of planning consent 0644/25/ARM Lutterburn Farm, Lutterburn Street . Ugborough. PL21 0NG

UPC would prefer that 3 parking spaces are retained.

d) 2656/26/VAR Application for variation of condition 1 (approved plans) of planning consent 0644/25/ARM Land At Sx 678 559 (Lutterburn Farm) Lutterburn Street Ugborough

Neutral

e) 2716/26/OPA Construction of 8 open market dwellings Land at SX 650 563, Palace Lane, North Filham

Object on the grounds that there is inadequate infrastructure or employment use opportunities to sustain further residential development in this area.

2. The decisions made by SHDC and DNP were noted. (See Appendix 1)

3. The appeal decision was noted and it was agreed that Council would contact Aldi to remind them of the actions we had listed in our response to the original application which would have earned our support and request that Aldi consider these options.

Appeal Ref: 6004446 Land at Rutt Lane, Ivybridge PL21 0ZB

• The appeal is made under section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) against a refusal to grant planning permission.

• The appeal is made by Aldi Stores Limited against the decision of South Hams District Council. The application Ref is 2363/24/FUL. The development proposed is a new retail food store (Use Class E) together with associated works including the provision of parking and servicing area, access works and landscaping.

Decision

1. The appeal is allowed and planning permission is granted for a new retail food store (Use Class E) together with associated works including the provision of parking and servicing area, access works and landscaping at Land at Rutt Lane, Ivybridge PL21 0ZB

26.99 Finance and HR

1. The payments were approved:

	GROSS	VAT	NET
Salary	841.99		841.99
Bittaford Planters	71.44	11.91	59.53
Cutting Crew (1928)	50.24	8.37	41.87
Cutting Crew (1915)	72.00	12.00	60.00
Cutting Crew (1914)	182.40	30.40	152.00
J Widdicombe (2927)	288.00	48.00	240.00
Ugborough Village Hall Hire (Jul-Sept)	95.50		95.50
SHDC Play Area Inspection annual fee	300.00	50.00	250.00
School Field Licence to use land Aug 26	100.00		100.00
School Field Licence to use land Feb 26	100.00		100.00
School Field annual maintenance contribution	500.00		500.00
SLCC Membership	200		200
SS Surfacing	1980	330	1650

2. The income was noted:

Precept (2)	25,200.00
Dividends	186.67
Dividends	188.14

3. The Reconciliation was received:

TRANSACTIONS			RESERVES	
Lloyds Current Account (End September)	£54,260.80		**P.3 grant**	£490
Less uncleared payments	2,601.57		**Bittaford Play Area**	£12,284
Plus uncleared receipts			**Dementia Awareness**	£650
Less Transfers not on Bank Statement			**Burial ground**	£5,289
Total	£51,659.23		**Climate Emergency Reserve**	£4,881
CCLA Savings (End Sept)	£57,744.02		**Community Projects & Support***	£36,122
Total Funds	**£109,403.25**		**Election**	£2,628
			Grant funding	£1,000
			Total	£63,344
Total uncommitted funds	**£46,059.25**			

**Community Projects:*

Amenity green space (Ugborough village), Conduit repair and maintenance, Tidying village centres and planters, Grant towards community use of redundant WC buildings, Walking leaflets

4. It was agreed to grant fund £500 to Ivybridge Ring and Ride

26.100 Policy

It was agreed to adopt the Anti-harrassment and Bullying / Dignity at work and Grievance Policies

26.101 Highways, Parish Paths and Transport

1. Road Warden Scheme

It was agreed to purchase the additional Employers Liability premium of £109 including tax and admin fee (£25) to cover our volunteers

2. Communication regarding the perceived ineffectiveness of the speed camera at Filham on the B3213 was noted.

26.102 Assets and Maintenance

1. No proposals for the installation of a permanent Petanque Court in Ugborough Village had been received. It was agreed that Council would support a temporary installation for The July Fair 2027 for a period agreed in advance. Meantime a permanent solution would continue to be considered

2. It was agreed to undertake the refurbishment of the Ugborough and Wrangaton bus shelters based on the quote of £2127.63

3. Bittaford Play Area Update

The new equipment has been installed and path re-laid and grass seeded. Work to complete the project includes flood prevention work, removal of old fence, picnic bench to be chained in place, rewilding project.

Clerk to request that SHDC hard prune the Bay Tree in the hedge of Ugborough Village play area

4. It was agreed that a new shed in The Burial Ground would be considered as part of the 2027-2028 budgeting process at the next meeting

26.103 Local Government Reorganisation

It was agreed that Cllr Hart would circulate draft content for the common framework (- Protect, Pursue, Influence, Organise) for Cllrs to comment on and final document to be agreed at the next meeting. This will feed into a joint exercise being undertaken by the cluster of neighbouring local councils to prepare for the re-organisation.

26.104 Reports from the following meetings were received

1. Society of Local Council Clerks meeting
2. SHDC LGR and Planning update

26.105 Communication Received

1. Concern from a resident at the Planning Appeal outcome for the proposed Aldi store was noted. Unfortunately, there is nothing UPC can do with regards to this decision although Council will communicate with Aldi as per minute 26.98 (3)

2. Dartmoor Partnership Plan Consultation event – Cllr Hosking to attend

26.106 Date of next meeting: Wednesday 11th November, 7.30pm in Bittaford Village Hall

Meeting closed at 9.15pm