UGBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday 11th November 2026 at 7.30pm
In the Bittaford Village Hall

MINUTES

PRESENT: Cllrs Slater, (Chair), Beable, Cooper, Hosking, Nelson, Wells

Questions from the public:
1. Residents of Moorland Close have reported that parking on Wrangaton Road near the junction to the Close is restricting visibility for drivers exiting the Close. **Clerk to request that DCC Highways review the situation.**
2. It has been reported that the hedge on the Ugborough Road alongside the Bittaford Wood Park is obstructing the highway**. Clerk to report to DCC Highways.**
3. There is mole activity in The Bittaford Play Area **– Clerk to arrange action**

Update from Devon County Council Councillors

Cllr Dan Thomas had sent apologies and a short update:
- He has requested the white lining works above Ugborough School and asked for them to be prioritised.
- Low level discussions about a speed reduction in Ludbrook are taking place
- He has asked the Assistant Director for Highways (Planning) to look into whether schemes were proposed or s106 monies collected / earmarked for the road to the south of Kittaford Cross.

Cllr Abbott
- Raised concerns regarding the use of Godwell Lane as a cut-through (a particular problem when there are highways works on St Peters Way) – the matter was discussed and it was agreed that any action to close the road to vehicles would be difficult.

Update from SHDC Councillors Alison DeWynter and Vic Abbott
Full report is available on the website. Summary:
Youth Services Ivybridge Leisure Centre
Animal Licensing Consultation
Addington Fund
Fly-tipping CCTV cameras
Shared ownership property available – Wrangaton
CAB Newsletter
Free Adult Education Opportunities
Crisis and Resilience Fund
Volunteer Drivers needed

Cllr DeWynter gave an update on the noise nuisance situation in Ugborough and the progress with the sale of land for self-build properties in Ugborough Village.

Cllr Abbott reported that he'd been approached about the newly purchased bench for The Lucerne Estate – comments were noted.

26.107 Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Joan Fletcher, Clive Hart, Tom Holway and Jon May

26.108 There were no declarations of interest

26.109 The Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th October 2026 were agreed

Matters Arising:

- Scheduled Highways work on the B3196 Fowlescombe to Loddiswell – **Cllr Thomas is progressing this query**
- Performance of new weed killer in Ugborough Square **– it was agreed to continue the treatment in the spring before assessing success or otherwise of the product**

26.110 Planning

1. To consider the following applications:

a) 0318/26 Creation of an access track Land Adjacent To Leigh Farm, Wranagton Road, Bittaford, Ivybridge, TQ10 9HH

Neutral

b) 2703/26/FUL Location Address Land at SX 653 561 Davids Lane Filham Erection of 2 detached dwellings, reinstatement of historic access, associated works and landscaping

Neutral

c) 26/0089 T1 Beech - Dismantle stem Lakeview Cottage, The Gas Works, Moorhaven, Ivybridge, PL21 0HB

Application already approved by SHDC

2. The decisions made by SHDC and DNP were noted:

a) 2701/26/ARC Application for approval of details reserved by condition 6 (bat licence) of planning consent 0476/26/FUL Development Site At Sx 694 551, Ugborough

Decision: Discharge of Condition Approved

b) 0270/26 Mr C Rawlinson, 5 Sunnydale, Wrangaton Road. Bittaford. PL21 0EE External alterations to property

Decision: Conditional approval

c) 2358/26/FUL Erection of stable building and creation of access track Land At Sx 674 565, Ridge Road, Ugborough

Decision: Conditional Approval

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

Decision: Granted

e) 2060/26/OPA Development Site At Sx 705 544, Lane To Marridge Farm. Ugborough Outline planning application for an Agricultural Workers Dwelling

Decision: Conditional Approval

f) 2912/26/CLP Peek Mill Cottage. Ugborough. PL21 0LA Certificate of lawfulness for proposed rear extension ancillary to existing dwelling, incorporating existing rear lean-to dwelling element dated pre-1948

Decision: Cert of Lawfulness (Proposed) Certified

g) 26/0089 Lakeview Cottage, The Gas Works, Moorhaven, Ivybridge, PL21 0HB T1 Beech - Dismantle stem TPO no 136 Moorhaven

Decision: The works are considered to fall within the exemption - no objection

3. Dartmoor Local Plan Update:

Work progresses and DNP have just issued their Call for Sites. **Cllr Hosking to attend the next meeting.**

26.111 Finance and HR

1. The payments were approved:

	Gross	VAT	Net
Salary	714.15		714.15
Pension	208.43		208.43
Service Charge	4.25		4.25
J Friend - Bench installation	198.42	33.07	165.35
Cutting Crew 1933	206.40	34.40	172.00
Cutting Crew 1934	72.00	12.00	60.00
Widdicombe 2949	288.00	48.00	240.00
Printer cartridges - re-imburse clerk	73.99		73.99

2. The Reconciliation was received:

TRANSACTIONS			RESERVES	
Lloyds Current Account (End October)	£29,072.53		**P.3 grant**	£490
Less uncleared payments	1,765.64		**Bittaford Play Area**	-£4,971
Plus uncleared receipts			**Dementia Awareness**	£650
Less Transfers not on Bank Statement			**Burial ground**	£5,289
Total	£27,306.89		**Climate Emergency Reserve**	£4,881
CCLA Savings (End Sept)	£57,744.02		**Community Projects & Support***	£35,883
Total Funds	**£85,050.91**		**Election**	£2,628
			Grant funding	£1,000
			Total	£45,850
Total uncommitted funds	**£39,200.91**			

**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

3. The first draft of the budget for 2027-2028 was considered. **The final budget and precept demand will be agreed at the December meeting.**

26.112 Policy

1) It was agreed that the 2027 Annual Parish Meeting would take place on Wednesday March 10th at 7pm before the Council meeting. The theme / presentation to be agreed at the December meeting.

26.113 Climate and Environmental Issues

1) A communication had been received from Modbury Parish Council for support in raising awareness of recent research that has highlighted the issue of dog faeces in water. This has been identified in the Erme. A very small amount is a potent pollutant in a watercourse and poses health risks to wildlife and humans.

It was agreed to support Modbury Parish Council.

26.114 Highways, Parish Paths and Transport

1) Concerns regarding the boundary fence opposite Bittaford Woods had been received **– clerk to report to DCC Highways.**

2) A complaint regarding the service provided by Country Bus 91 – Ugborough to Totnes had been received (late arrival / no-show). **Clerk to contact Country Bus to discuss how we might work together to improve this situation.**

Country Bus have reported restricted access to the village on Ware Hill due to parked cars and Council encourages residents to consider this when parking vehicles as this could also be a potential problem for emergency vehicles.

26.115 Assets and Maintenance

1) Play Area Update – the installation of the new equipment and path are complete and work is now underway to complete the flood prevention work, repair the fence and create rewilding areas. **It was agreed to assist with some minor work on the footpath leading to the park by providing some infill gravel.**

2) Work is in hand to assess the height of the swings from the ground and whether there is a regulation need to purchase new chains

26.116 Local Government Reorganisation Update

A response for the next local council cluster meeting using the Common Framework was agreed. Cllrs Slater and Hosking to attend the next meeting.

26.117 To receive reports on any meetings attended

1. Cllr Hosking had attended a meeting regarding the status of public conveniences in the country. 84% of public conveniences have been handed back to the local community and are being retained by the precept. Average annual upkeep cost is £24,000. There are currently no government funding or community grants available to support the upkeep.

There will be a Ugborough and Bittaford "AtYourConvenience" update at the December meeting.

2. Cllr Beable had attended the Moor To Life open day event at Wrangaton Golf Club providing alternative educational and leisure opportunities for neurodiverse young people.

3. Cllr Beable had attended the Police Crime Commissioners meeting **-clerk to provide details of the Community Messaging Service to parishioners.**

26.118 Date of next meeting: Wednesday 9th December, 7.30pm in Ugborough Village Hall

Meeting Closed at 9.16pm