

Upper Saxondale Parish Council - August 2023

Dear Resident

The newly formed Upper Saxondale Parish Council (USPC) is now operational. Council meetings will be held in the village hall and meeting dates will be advertised on the Upper Saxondale website, Facebook and notice boards. The next meeting will be on 4th September at 7pm. The main email point of contact for the USPC is parishclerk@uppersaxondale.com

Parish Councillors are all volunteers and in addition we have many other volunteers helping in a variety of ways to make our community what it is today. Should you have any spare time your help would be much appreciated. Please contact info@uppersaxondale.com to volunteer.

We want to take this opportunity to share with you our current plans. We aim to:

Communicate with residents via the Upper Saxondale website - www.uppersaxondale.com, notice boards and USPC meetings. All residents are welcome to attend USPC meetings as observers. There will be a slot on every meeting agenda to give residents a chance to speak and ask questions. Councillors' contact details will be listed on the website and notice boards.

Work with David Wilson Homes (DWH) towards a timely handover of DWH's remaining land at Upper Saxondale to USPC and to ensure that prior to handover DWH complete the agreed schedule of work. This will include re-surfacing a large area of the back road leading to the village hall, refurbishing the pergolas, filling the tunnels under the parkland for safety reasons, making good paved areas and replacing trees. Once USPC own this land we will have the resources and ability to make a real difference and to address any further areas of neglect.

Work closely with the USRAcic committee to ensure that all USRAcic assets (including the land previously transferred by DWH to USRA) are transferred to USPC. We will then be in a position to manage all the non-private land at Upper Saxondale holistically. This will also include maintaining the children's play area and ensuring all bins including dog bins are emptied. We will work with FUSCA (Friends of Upper Saxondale Conservation Area) to prioritise areas needing attention.

Encourage new and work with existing volunteers and volunteer groups within the community.

Form an events working group consisting of both Councillors and volunteers to benefit residents by arranging one-off and annual events.

Create a tennis club working group of Councillors and volunteers in order to make maximum use of the tennis facilities for the benefit of residents.

Engage with residents to make sure that we are serving the needs of our community.

Promote the voice of our parish to Borough and County Councillors.

Continue to work to ensure that Upper Saxondale remains a great place to live.

We look forward to welcoming you to future meetings.

Ian Storey	Chair
Georgia Moore	Vice-chair
Kim Kupfer	Councillor
Iris Morgan	Councillor
Cathy Ridge	Councillor