



**MINUTES OF UPCHURCH GENERAL PURPOSE AND  
PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 19  
APRIL 2023 AT 19:30PM IN UPCHURCH VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr G Rosewell, Cllr P Denny, Cllr J Bodycomb, Cllr G Lewin,  
Officer: Clerk, Nina Henley  
External Attendees: None  
Apologies: Cllr E Bernsten, Cllr H Boakes Cllr Ripley  
External Apologies: None

- 1-GPM/04/23 To receive apologies for absence**  
Cllr Boakes (Family) Cllr Bernsten (Unavailable) Cllr Ripley (Unwell)
- 2-GPM/04/23 To receive declarations of interests and lobbying**  
Cllr Denny planning application 23/501174 (relative)
- 3-GPM/04/23 Minutes**  
Minutes of the GPC & Planning Committee held 15 February 2023 were approved at Full Council Meeting Thursday 6 April 2023.
- 4-GPM/04/23 Public Participation**  
There were no members of the public present.
- 5-GPM/04/23 Planning**
- I. 23/501174/FULL Land North of Horsham Lane Upchurch  
Demolition of existing outbuildings and erection of new building for use as a flower school in association with the existing flower business, together with associated access, parking and landscaping (resubmission of 22/502282/FULL).  
**Upchurch Parish Council fully supports this application.**  
There are no neighbouring objections.  
The site already has buildings that they wish to demolish and replace, and this will not result in loss of agricultural land and will improve the vista of this area.  
We believe this application will help the local economy.  
We believe the traffic to the site will be minimal and its likely to be less than that visiting The Brown Jug public house on the same stretch of road that is now closed.  
UPC believes this is the type of diversification that the council should encourage.
  - II. 23/500738/SUB Ebenezer Chapel, Halstow Lane Upchurch  
Submission of Details pursuant to conditions 2 (Energy Efficiency Scheme), 3 (Water Consumption Rate Scheme), 4 (Contaminated Land Assessment), 9 (Construction Management Plan), 13 (Hard and Soft Landscaping Schemes) and 17 (Rooflighting Specification Details) of Application 21/501979/FULL.  
**UPC has no objections**
  - III. 23/501248/FULL 35 Woodruff Close Upchurch  
Loft conversion with two rear and one front pitched roof dormers. Erection of a single storey rear extension and a front porch including changes to fenestration.



- IV. 23/501346/FULL 107 Oak Lane Upchurch  
Loft conversion with new gable roof including 7 no. rooflights. Alterations to existing fenestration, internal alterations and rendering external walls.  
**UPC has no objections.**

**6-GPM/04/23**

**Upchurch Parish Council Reporting**

- I. Paddock and Recreational Ground  
(a) To receive update on new play equipment  
It was reported that UPC are still waiting for the grant approval for the new playground equipment project.  
The new bug hotels have been made and Cllr Denny to approach the school / nursery to get the children involved with setting them up in the new woodland area.  
(b) Grant update  
It was reported that more information was required for the grant application for new play equipment and this information had been provided.  
(c) Recreation ground – the football pitch is due to be marked up. Cllr Denny to be sent timetable of activities.  
(d) Clerk to review the lease for parking arrangements.  
II. Burial Ground & Churchyard  
(a) Transfer of Churchyard responsibility to the borough – clerk to write to the PCC to confirm insurance arrangements for Church assets.  
III. Highways & Street Lighting  
(a) EDF - clerk to chase for update for next Full Council meeting.  
IV. Footpaths –  
(a) Clerk reported that the foliage around the Cricket club has been reported to SBC by the CC  
V. Environment  
Nothing to report.  
VI. Allotments  
(a) Clerk to update waiting list when all plots confirmed and paid for 23/24

**7-GPM/04/23**


**Items to be considered for inclusion on the next GP and Planning Committee agenda.**  
Planning 23/501726 130 Horsham Lane - clerk to request extension for comments from SBC

**8-GPM/04/23**

**Date of next meeting**  
May GPC & Planning to be cancelled due to Annual Meeting all planning to be discussed at Full Council meeting 11 May 2023.  
Agreed Unanimously.

**9-GPM/04/23**

Meeting closed 8.15pm



1/6/2023