

The **Minutes** of the meeting of the **Planning Committee** of **Upchurch Parish Council** held at Upchurch Village Hall on **16th March 2022**

Present: Cllr Helen Boakes, Cllr John Bodycomb, Cllr Ernie Berntsen, Cllr Pam Denny and Cllr Gerry Lewin; and Mrs Wendy Licence (Clerk).

In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr Lewin took the Chair. Cllr Lewin welcomed everyone to the meeting.

78. Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr Rosewell (work) and from Cllr Tyrone Ripley; apologies accepted.

79. Declarations of Interests

None were declared

Public Time

No members of the public were present.

80. Planning Applications

i. Ref: 21/506508/FULL

Address: Upchurch Cricket Club Holywell Lane Upchurch ME9 7HP

Proposal: Installation of a new fully carpeted 3 lane 33m enclosed non-turf cricket practice facility with security fencing.

Councillors considered the application and **AGREED UNANIMOUSLY** to support the proposal.

ii. Ref: 22/500974/FULL

Address: 116 Oak Lane Upchurch Kent ME9 7AY

Proposal: Erection of a new front boundary wall and gates to plots 1 and 2 approved under 20/505179/FULL.

Councillors considered the application. It is important to have a boundary fence or wall around the properties for safety reason; there should be no visual intrusions leading to the junction with Oak Lane and Wallbridge Lane; the proposed beech tree on the corner of the junction might impede visibility; there had been concern from residents that the gates are not in keeping to the entrance of the village; concern from neighbours that their sight line egress might be impeded by the pillars; the plan does not show the scale and relation to adjacent property; if the plot B gates were open there would be a pinch point and a car would not be able to get to the garage; vehicles egressing the site would be coming out blind; concern was raised regarding the height of the fence in Wallbridge Lane; the structures between the garages are not on the plan; residents comments need to be taken into consideration. A consultation response will be submitted.

iii. Ref: 22/500703/FULL

Address: Pear Tree House Otterham Quay Lane Upchurch Kent ME8 8QW

Proposal: Erection of a single storey rear extension, two storey side extension, and alterations to external elevations, including erection of flat roof over existing porch and garage, replacement doors and windows and new roof light.

Councillors considered the application and had no objection to the proposal.

iv. Ref: 22/500812/FULL

Address: Ransom Motors Breach Lane Upchurch Kent ME9 7PE

Proposal: Retrospective application for a change of use and construction of a car park and additional rear access space as well as for the erection of security fencing on land adjacent to Auto-Evolution.

Councillors considered the application and **AGREED UNANIMOUSLY** to support the proposal as it makes the provision of public transport in Breach Lane easier.

v. Ref: 22/500969/ELEC

Address: Golf Course Oak Lane Upchurch Sittingbourne Kent ME9 7AY

Proposal: Alterations to the high voltage (HV) and low voltage (LV) overhead lines

Application noted

vi. Ref: 22/500973/SUB

Address: 116 Oak Lane Upchurch Kent ME9 7AY

Proposal: Submission of details pursuant to condition 5 (details of the external finishing materials) in relation to planning permission 20/505179/FULL.

Councillors considered the application and agreed that the proposal would make the buildings stick out; a colour closer to the palette of the village at that point would be preferred.

vii. Ref: 22/500993/SUB

Address: Crescent House Gills Terrace Otterham Quay Lane Upchurch Kent ME8 7UY

Proposal: Submission of details pursuant to condition 1 (closure report - remediation) of application 19/500420/PNOCLA.

Application noted

viii. Ref: 22/500994/SUB

Address: Land At Gills Terrace Upchurch Kent ME8 7UY

Proposal: Submission of details pursuant to condition 13 (closure report - remediation) of application 19/502283/FULL.

Application noted

81. Planning Appeal Hearing

Appeal Ref: APP/V2255/W/19/3220060

Ref: 17/503860/FULL

Proposal: Change of use of land for the stationing of 3no. Mobile Homes and 3no. Touring Caravans for residential occupation with associated utility building, hard standing, steps to mobile homes, fencing, cesspools and new access (Retrospective)

Address: St Thomas Yard Holywell Lane Upchurch ME9 7HP

Cllr Lewin said the Council had previously objected, there was nothing further to add. The Appeal Hearing will be on 31 March.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 20th April 2022 at 7.30pm

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.56pm

Signed as a true record of the meeting:

Chairman

Date: 7th April 2022