PRPOSED CONVERSION OF GROVE UNITED REFORM CHURCH TO FLATS AND MEETING ROOMS

JUSTIFICATION STATEMENT

The reform Church on Oxford Road, Gomersal could be viewed as a community facility therefore policy LP48 should be applied. However due to dwindling numbers over the last few years the facility no longer was viable and remained closed for quite some time prior to my client purchasing the property.

The location of the property being outside the local centre and also the lack of parking has again hindered the previous use and would suggest that the use as a church is in the wrong location.

It would therefore be suggested that the only suitable use for this property would be residential/office use. The building is located in an area where there is a mix of housing and commercial units therefore suggesting that the proposed use is suitable in this area.