(8) Application No: PAP/2018/0321

Land to the Rear of The Elms, Austrey Road, Warton, B79 0HG

Outline application for demolition of existing buildings and erection of up to 9 dwellings, with access arrangements. Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale to be Reserved Matters for

NTK Swinnerton

Introduction

This application is reported to the Board for determination, following a member request given the potential impact of new development in Warton.

The Site

The site – extending to some 0.4 hectares - is located at the northern extent of the village on land to the rear of the property known as The Elms. The site is currently occupied by a brick stable building; a small timber stable, a large metal framed agricultural building, an area of hardstanding and caravan storage. Access is on to a minor road which joins Austrey Road to the east of the site.

Its location and setting is shown at Appendix A with an aerial photograph below.

Members should be aware that the site plan at Appendix A omits three recently constructed houses immediately south of The Elms. These are clearly shown at Appendix B – numbers 85, 87 and 89 Austrey Road.

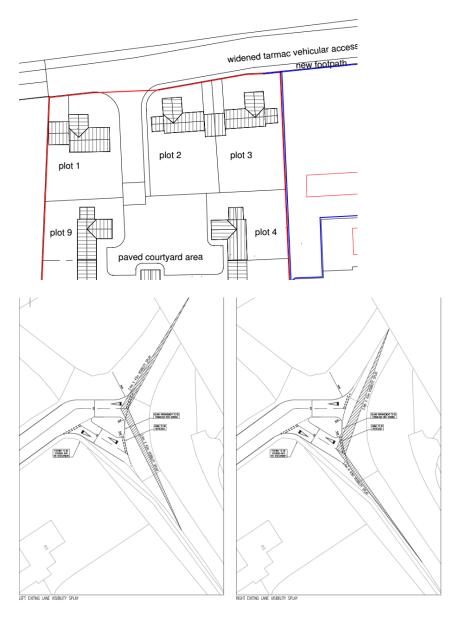


The Proposals

This is an outline application for up to nine dwellings with all details reserved for later determination apart from the access arrangements. An indicative layout is illustrated at Appendix B. Access would be of an improved D class highway – Gravel Lane - onto Austrey Road. The original submission was for twelve, but this has been amended during consideration of the application.

The detailing of the proposal is not known, but the applicant indicates that these would be two storey houses providing a mix of sizes. No affordable provision is proposed.

More detail on the access improvements is shown below.



A bat and bird survey has been undertaken but this did not find evidence of bat roosts on site and the likelihood of the buildings being so used is very limited. Demolition of the buildings should take place outside of the bird breeding season and in line with agreed methods of working in case bat roosts are found at that time.

Background

Planning permission for three houses south The Elms was granted in 1995, but the houses now constructed date from a more recent consent which amended the earlier proposals.

With regards to the existing uses on the site, the caravan storage has been on the site since 2006 and the livery use has been on the site for over 30 years.

The agricultural building is presently only partly used in part for agricultural purposes. The applicants also own Bentley Farm in Austrey Road which is a large farmyard with a number of existing agricultural buildings and livery stables. It is intended that the agricultural storage use of the application site building can be accommodated at Bentley Farm.

Development Plan

The Core Strategy 2014 – NW1 (Sustainable Development); NW2 (Settlement Hierarchy), NW5 (Split of Housing Numbers), NW6 (Affordable Housing Provision), NW10 (Development Considerations) and NW12 (Quality of Development)

Saved Policies of the North Warwickshire Local Plan 2006 - Core Policy 2 (Development Distribution); ENV6 (Land Resources), ENV12 (Urban Design), ENV13 (Building Design), ENV14 (Access Design) and TPT6 (Vehicle Parking)

Other Material Planning Considerations

The National Planning Policy Framework 2018 – (the "NPPF")

The Submitted North Warwickshire Local Plan 2018 - LP1 (Sustainable Development); LP2 (Settlement Hierarchy), LP7 (Housing Development), LP9 (Affordable Housing Provision), LP31 (Development Considerations) and LP39 (Housing Allocations)

The Council's Five Year Housing Land Supply – March 2018

Consultations

Warwickshire County Council as Highways Authority - No objection subject to conditions

Environmental Health Officer – No objection subject to conditions covering construction hours and the need for a construction management plan.

Warwickshire Fire Services – No objection subject to a standard condition

Representations

Thirteen letters from occupiers of neighbouring properties have been received referring to the following matters:

- The revised plans now show the boundaries to neighbouring properties, but concern that in any reserved matters application the siting of the dwellings can change.
- Consider that the proposed number of houses is too high for the size of the site and would cause overcrowding and lead to extra traffic and footfall in what is now the quietest area of Warton. Noise from the development.
- The current plans shows houses/building too near to the boundary. Impact upon amenity and house prices.
- The proposal does not accord with development plan policies. It is not previously developed land being a major expansion of the village.
- The height of the houses needs to be restricted to ensure that the nature of the proposed housing is sympathetic to the established housing i.e. either bungalows or 1.5 storey houses which will not restrict the light neighbouring properties.

- Dust management would be an issue.
- The village is undergoing considerable expansion, putting pressure on the existing infrastructure and impact upon village character.
- The site in the village has been recently developed with 4 large dwellings
- The proposal offers no affordable housing.
- The existing building has asbestos.
- Bats, birds and owls are within the building. Any development should contain measures to boxes and measures to protect.
- Impact on public footpath.

Observations

a) The Principle of Development

The site is not within the development boundary of Warton as defined by the Development Plan. It is however adjacent to that boundary. Warton is identified as a Category 4 settlement within Core Strategy policy NW2, where new development is to be limited to that defined by the Development Plan. In this case Policy NW5 identifies a minimum of 45 dwellings over the plan period, usually on sites of no more than ten dwellings. However Members are fully aware that Policy NW2 in respect of the identification of development boundaries is out of date following the Daw Mill appeal decision and thus it carries limited weight. Moreover the Council has now submitted its new Local Plan for North Warwickshire to the Secretary of State. The site remains outside but adjacent to the development boundary within this Plan but there are allocations included in that Plan for Warton for 170 houses together with recognition of a further site currently under construction. Planning permissions have been granted or are to be granted in principle for the allocated sites. Moreover the latest housing land supply figure identifies a 4.8 year supply. Members are aware that these circumstances - policy NW2 being out of date and there not being a five year supply - there is full engagement with the NPPF. As a consequence, in line with the policy of the NPPF, planning permission should be granted in principle here unless there are significant and demonstrable adverse impacts.

The remainder of the report will consider whether there are.

b) Affordable housing

No affordable housing is included in the proposal either through on-site provision or through an off-site contribution. This would accord with recent Government Guidance on such provision for smaller sites – ten or less units. However the provision should still be requested where the gross development floor area exceeds 1000 square metres. This application is in outline and thus details of house types are unknown. In order to protect the Council's policies for such provision, a planning condition would be required in the event of an approval here, limiting the floor space to 1000 square metres with an advisory note explaining that provision over this threshold at the detailed stage will require such provision either on or off-site provision. In this way the proposal would satisfy policy NW6 of the Core Strategy and LP9 of the 2018 Submitted Plan.

c) Landscape

The site is not a green field site. It contains a number of existing uses and buildings which adjoin existing buildings, albeit that they are wholly residential in character. The

site is thus not open, isolated and neither does it stand on its own. Visually it is part of the village built environment. In these circumstances there is no significant adverse visual or landscape impact. It could be argued too, that the replacement of the existing uses and larger buildings would be a betterment. The lesser number of units now being proposed would add weight to that argument. Overall it is considered that the landscape impact is neutral.

d) Heritage

There is no designated heritage asset affected – either a Conservation Area; Listed Building or a Scheduled Ancient Monument Site. The Elms is an important building locally, both historically and visually. It has a "presence" in the street scene particularly when approaching the village from the north. However it is not considered that there would be substantial harm caused to its setting here. The proposals are well behind the house – not visible from Austrey Road and they would replace a cluster of larger buildings which are utilitarian in appearance. The new houses would not dominate or "crowd" the setting of The Elms particularly as there are three relatively new houses to its south. Moreover as the proposal is in outline, the exact design and location of the new houses can be looked at fully in detail at a later date.

e) Ecology

There is no ecology or bio-diversity objection to the proposal and conditions can be attached in order to respect the demolition of the buildings; to introduce new hedgerow and tree planting as well as for the provision of bat and bird boxes.

f) Highways

It is of material weight that the Highway Authority has not objected to the proposal. It considers that the proposal would have no material impact on the immediate highway arrangements or the wider highway network, and details have been provided as part this outline covering the highway access arrangements and junction improvements. It should be remembered that the existing uses identified above all generate traffic and that the nature of that involves caravans; agricultural and equestrian vehicles. The Highway Authority does not see a significant adverse impact here and the opportunity is taken to improve the existing access arrangements. There is no evidence available to demonstrate significant highway harm.

g) Residential Amenity

The proposal is only in outline with an indicative layout plan. The proposal backs onto neighbouring dwellings in Austrey Road but the indicative layout shows separation distances of between 25 and 27 metres which is acceptable and greater than the Council's normal guideline of 22/23 metres. Moreover these distances can be conditioned. Moreover conditions can be used in order to restrict the scale of the dwellings here to either one or one and half storeys. Boundary treatments too will need to be considered at the detailed stage. There is no reason at this outline stage to warrant a refusal based on likely adverse impacts on existing residential amenity.

A Construction Management Plan will be required and this will deal with working hours and mitigation measures for dust and other debris.

h) Other Issues

The site lies in a low risk flood area and sustainable surface water drainage systems will be required by condition such that discharge rates are no greater than green- field run off rates.

Members will be aware of the issues surrounding contributions towards the infrastructure of other services and the small size of this proposal has therefore not prompted requests from the various infrastructure delivery Agencies.

i) Conclusions

Give the mattes raised above it is not considered that there are significant adverse impacts arising from this development and thus the presumption to grant planning permission as set out in the NPPF is followed through.

Recommendation

That planning permission be **GRANTED** subject to the following conditions:

1. This permission is granted under the provisions of Article 5(1) of the Town & Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 on an outline approval, and the further approval of the Local Planning Authority shall be required with respect to the under-mentioned matters hereby reserved before any development is commenced:-

- (b) appearance
- (c) landscaping
- (d) layout
- (e) scale

REASON

To comply with Section 92 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

2. In the case of the reserved matters specified above, application for approval, accompanied by all detailed drawings and particulars, must be made to the Local Planning Authority not later than the expiration of three years beginning with the date of this permission.

REASON

To comply with Section 92 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

3. The development to which this permission relates must be begun not later than the expiration of two years from the final approval of all reserved matters.

REASON

To comply with Section 92 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

4. The development hereby approved shall not be carried out otherwise than in accordance with the plans CS/NTS/104 and the Vehicle Access Appraisal Feb 2018, C017/607/12, and within plans CO17/607/02-SK001 Rev P1 and CO17/607/02-SK002 Rev P1 received by the Local Planning Authority on 18 May 2018, the plan numbered CS/NTS/102 (block plan and indicative site layout) received by the Local Planning Authority on 19 June 2018, and the Bat and Bird Survey by Tamworth Property Services dated 21 May 2018 received by the Local Planning Authority on 8 May 2018.

REASON

To ensure that the development is carried out strictly in accordance with the approved plans.

5. In the event that the development approved at the Approval of Reserved Matters achieves a combined gross floorspace of more than 1,000 square metres (gross internal area), the development shall not be commenced until a proposal for the delivery of affordable housing has been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority in writing. In accord with the provisions of Policy NW6 of the North Warwickshire Core Strategy Adopted October 2014, 20% of the development shall be delivered as affordable housing, achieved through on site provision or through a financial contribution in lieu of providing affordable housing on-site.

Any scheme for on-site provision shall include the following details:

i) details of how the affordable housing meets the definition of affordable housing in Annex 2 to the National Planning Policy Framework (or any future guidance that replaces it).

ii) the tenure of the housing units;

iii) the timing of their construction, and their phasing in relation to the occupancy of the market housing at the application site;

iv) the arrangements to ensure that such provision is affordable for both first and subsequent occupiers of the affordable housing units; and

v) the occupancy criteria to be used for determining the identity of occupiers of the affordable housing and the means by which such occupancy criteria shall be enforced.

REASON

To make appropriate provision for the delivery of affordable housing in accord with the provisions of Policy NW6 of the North Warwickshire Core Strategy Adopted October 2014.

6. The sites scale and design notwithstanding condition 1 shall include:

a) The site shall contain no more than 9 detached dwellings in total. The dwellings shall be of a height no greater than 8.5 metres and should be of a two storey design, unless they border the existing dwellings No 85, 87 and 89 Austrey Road, in which case the dwelling should be no more than 7.5metres in height and adopt a one and half storey design.

b) There shall be a minimum separation distance of 25 metres between the rear elevations of existing properties known as No. 85, 87 and 89 Austrey Road and the facing elevations of the proposed new properties.

c) The architectural design of the new development will complement the rural nature of the site and character of the immediate neighbouring properties, known as the Elms and 85-89 Austrey Road.

REASON

In the interests of the amenities of the area.

7. No development shall take place on site until the existing structure(s) shown to be demolished on the approved plan has been so demolished and all resultant materials permanently removed from the site.

REASON

In the interests of the amenities of the area.

8. With regards to condition 1. Before the commencement of the development, a landscaping scheme, has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The assessment shall be carried out as approved.

REASON

In the interests of the amenities of the area.

9. All planting, seeding or turfing comprised in the approved details of landscaping shall be carried out in the first planting and seeding seasons following the occupation of the buildings or the completion of the development, whichever is the sooner; and any trees or plants which, within a period of 5 years from the date of planting die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased shall be replaced in the next planting season with others of similar size and species.

REASON

In the interests of the amenities of the area.

10. The development hereby permitted shall not be commenced until a scheme for the provision of adequate water supplies and fire hydrants, necessary for fire fighting purposes at the site, has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall not then be occupied until the scheme has been implemented to the satisfaction of the Local Planning Authority

REASON

In the interests of Public Safety from fire, and the protection of Emergency Fire Fighters

11. The development hereby permitted shall not commence until drainage plans for the disposal of surface water and foul sewage have been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall be implemented in accordance with the approved details before the development is first brought into use.

REASON

To ensure that the development is provided with a satisfactory means of drainage as well as reduce the risk of creating or exacerbating a flooding problem and to minimise the risk of pollution.

12. No work relating to the construction of the development hereby approved, including works of demolition or preparation prior to operations, or internal fitting out, shall take place before the hours of 0800 nor after 1800 Monday to Friday, before the hours of 0800 nor after 1300 Saturdays nor on Sundays or recognised public holidays.

REASON

To protect the amenities of the occupiers of nearby properties during the construction period.

13. No development whatsoever within Class A, B, C and E of Part 1, of Schedule 2 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 shall commence on site without details first having been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority, in writing.

REASON

In the interests of the amenities of the area.

14. Any garages or car ports within the development shall not be converted or used for any residential purpose other than as domestic garages.

REASON

To ensure adequate on-site parking provision.

15. Prior to occupation of the dwelling(s) hereby approved a bin storage facility capable of holding a minimum of 3×240 litre wheeled bins shall be provided within the curtilage of each dwelling. The storage facility shall remain permanently available for that purpose at all times thereafter. A bin presentation point at the entrance of the development for all residents to place their bins upon on collection days.

REASON

To enable effective storage and disposal of household waste and in the interests of the amenity of the area.

16. No development shall commence until the proposed datum levels of the built form have been provided and approved by the Local Planning Authority

REASON

In the interests of the amenities of the area.

17. No works of construction shall be undertaken unless and until a construction management plan has been submitted to and approved in writing by The Local Planning Authority following consultation with the Local Authority Environmental Health Team and Highways Authority. The construction management plan shall include:

- details of any temporary measures required to manage traffic during construction, plans and details for the turning and unloading and loading of vehicles within the site during construction,
- dust suppression,
- noise and vibration,
- demolition or clearance works,
- details of wheel washing (details to prevent mud and debris on the public highway),
- site working hours
- delivery times,
- HGV Routing Plan
- restrictions on burning and details of all temporary contractors buildings,
- plant and storage of materials associated with the development process.

All works of demolition or construction shall be carried out in strict accordance with the approved construction management plan.

REASON

In the interests of the amenities of the area.

18. No development shall commence until a dust management plan would need to be submitted and approved in line with the IAQM guidance, has been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority. The findings/conclusions shall be carried out in full.

REASON

In the interests of the amenities of the area.

19. No part of the development hereby permitted shall be commenced until a scheme for the provision of suitable nesting boxes for swallows, house sparrows and other species to be erected on new buildings within the site has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme to include details of box type, location and timing of works. Thereafter, the platforms and boxes shall be installed and maintained in perpetuity. The bird box scheme boxes cluster should be sited in a north/north westerly direction away from prevailing winds, usually south westerly and away from strong sun.

REASON

To ensure that protected species are not harmed by the development.

20. The development hereby permitted shall not commence until details of all external light fittings and external light columns have been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall not be carried out otherwise than in full accordance with such approved details. In discharging this condition the Local Planning Authority expects lighting to be restricted to the south of the site; where bat mitigation measures will be incorporated; and to be kept to a minimum at night across the whole site in order to minimise impact on emerging and foraging bats. This could be achieved in the following ways:

- Lighting should be directed away from vegetated areas
- Lighting should be shielded to avoid spillage onto vegetated areas
- The brightness of lights should be as low as legally possible;
- Lighting should be timed to provide some dark periods;
- Connections to areas important for foraging should contain unlit stretches.

REASON

In the interests of the amenities of the area and safety on the public highway, and In accordance with NPPF, ODPM Circular 2005/06.

21. No part of the development hereby permitted shall be commenced and nor shall any equipment, machinery or materials be brought onto the site until a scheme for the protection of all existing trees and hedges to be retained on site and adjacent to the site has been submitted to and approved in writing by the District Planning Authority and has been put in place. The scheme must include details of the erection of stout protective fencing and be in accordance with British Standard BS5837:2012, Trees in Relation to design, demolition and construction. Nothing shall be stored or placed in those areas fenced in accordance with this condition and nor shall the ground levels be altered or any excavation take place without the prior consent in writing of the District Planning Authority. The approved scheme shall be kept in place until all parts of the development have been completed and all equipment, machinery and surplus materials have been removed.

REASON

In the interests of the amenities of the area and the protection of trees and other features on site during construction.

22. Prior to the commencement of the development detailed technical drawings, vehicular tracking drawings, with a supporting Road Safety Audit, in accordance with preliminary drawing CO17/607/02-SK002 Rev P1, shall be submitted and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Thereafter the approved highway access works shall be implemented in accordance with the approved plans. No part of the site shall be occupied until the approved highway access works have been completed, as evidenced by the issuing of a Certificate of Substantial Completion by the Highway Authority.

REASON

In the interests of the amenities of the area and safety on the public highway.

23. Prior to the commencement of the development detailed technical drawings, vehicular tracking drawings, with a supporting Road Safety Audit, in accordance with preliminary drawing CO17/607/02-SK001 Rev P1, shall be submitted and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Thereafter the approved highway access works shall be implemented in accordance with the approved plans. No part of the site shall be occupied until the approved highway access works have been completed, as evidenced by the issuing of a Certificate of Substantial Completion by the Highway Authority.

REASON

In the interests of the amenities of the area and safety on the public highway.

Notes

1. Warwickshire Police have set out the following guidance - Research studying the distribution of burglary in terraced housing with open rear access footpathas shown thatup to 85% of entries occurred at the back of the house. Where there is rear access to multiple rear gardens this access needs to be gated at the front of the building line and with a self closing spring, and a snap shut lock, that needs a key to release.

All perimeter fencing should be 1.8 metre high close boarded fencing however where it backs onto open space it should be topped with 0.2 trellis, so the overall height is 2 metres in height.

Lighting on adopted highways, footpaths, private roads and footpaths and car parks must comply with BS 5489-1:2013.

Building sites and in particular, site offices and storage areas are becoming common targets for crimes such as theft of plant and fuel. These sites should be made as secure as possible. All plant and machinery should be stored in a secure area. Tools and equipment should be marked in such a way that they are easily identifiable to the company. Consideration should be given to the use of security patrols. Developers are now requested to inform the local Safer Neighbourhood Policing Team, which covers the area of the development that they have arrived on site and provide contact numbers of the site manager for use in the case of an emergency. A grid reference for the site should be provided. This will help to reduce the possibilities of a delayed response.

2. You are advised to contact Warwickshire Councty Council as the address below with regards to Sustainability Travel Packs at £75 per pack. Infrastructure Team, Economic Growth, Warwickshire County Council, PO Box 43, Barrack Street, Warwick, CV34 4SX.

3. The submitted plans indicate that the proposed works come very close to, or abut neighbouring property. This permission does not convey any legal or civil right to undertake works that affect land or premises outside of the applicant's control. Care should be taken upon commencement and during the course of building operations to ensure that no part of the development, including the foundations, eaves and roof overhang will encroach on, under or over adjoining land without the consent of the adjoining land owner. This planning permission does not authorise the carrying out of any works on neighbouring land, or access onto it, without the consent of the owners of that land. You would be advised to contact them prior to the commencement of work.

4. You are recommended to seek independent advice on the provisions of the Party Wall etc. Act 1996, which is separate from planning or building regulation controls, and concerns giving notice of your proposals to a neighbour in relation to party walls, boundary walls and excavations near neighbouring buildings. An explanatory booklet can be downloaded at https://www.gov.uk/guidance/party-wall-etc-act-1996-guidance

5. Before carrying out any work, you are advised to contact Cadent Gas about the potential proximity of the works to gas infrastructure. It is a developer's responsibility to contact Cadent Gas prior to works commencing. Applicants and developers can contact Cadent at plantprotection@cadentgas.com prior to carrying out work, or call 0800 688 588

6. Gross Internal Area (GIA) of the scheme will be the area of the building measured to the internal face of the perimeter walls at each floor level. This measurement should take into account the gross internal floor area of new dwellings, extensions, conversions, garages and any other buildings ancillary to residential use. It should include all rooms, circulation and service space, including lifts, floorspace devoted to corridors, toilets, ancillary floorspace (e.g. underground parking). In flatted developments, it should include communal entrances, landings etc, and any related internal parking.

7. The applicant is advised that to comply with the condition relating to the standard of works to trees, the work should be carried out in accordance with British Standard BS 5837:2012 ""Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations"".

8. There may be bats present at the property that would be disturbed by the proposed development. You are advised that bats are deemed to be European Protected species. Should bats be found during the carrying out of the approved works, you should stop work immediately and seek further advice from the Ecology Section of Museum Field Services, The Butts, Warwick, CV34 4SS (Contact Ecological Services on 01926 418060).

9. Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 - Birds. Please note that works to trees must be undertaken outside of the nesting season as required by the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. All birds, their nests and eggs are protected by law and it is thus an offence, with certain exceptions. It is an offence to intentionally take, damage or destroy the nest of any wild bird whilst it is in use or being built, or to intentionally or recklessly disturb any wild bird listed on Schedule 1 while it is nest building, or at a nest containing eggs or young, or disturb the dependent young of such a bird. The maximum penalty that can be imposed for an offence under the Wildlife and Countryside Act - in respect of a single bird, nest or egg - is a fine of up to £5,000, and/or six months' imprisonment. You are advised that the official UK nesting season is February until August.

10. You are advised to contact Lea Marston Parish Council, to discuss design and siting of any future development. The contact details are:Lea Marston Parish Council, Louise Baudet, Clerk to the Parish Council, Email : leamarstonpc@hotmail.com. Website: http://www.leamarstonpc.org/.

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12. In view of the nearby ponds, care should be taken when clearing the ground prior to development and when storing materials on site. If evidence of specially protected species such as reptiles or amphibians is found (great crested newt, grass snake, common lizard or slow-worm), work should stop while WCC Ecological Services (01926 418060) or Natural England (02080 261089) are contacted. Reptiles and amphibians are protected to varying degrees under the 1981 Wildlife and Countryside Act and the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 and great crested newts are additionally deemed European Protected Species under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010.

In view of the suitable habitat, care should be taken when clearing the ground prior to development. If any hedgehogs are found, these should be moved carefully to a suitable adjacent habitat. Hedgehogs are of high conservation concern and are a Species of Principal Importance under section 41 of the NERC act. Habitat enhancement for hedgehogs can easily be incorporated into development schemes, for example through provision of purpose-built hedgehog shelters. More details can be provided by the WCC Ecological Services if required

13. In dealing with this application, the Local Planning Authority has worked with the applicant in a positive and proactive manner through seeking to resolve planning objections and issues, suggesting amendments to improve the quality of the proposal. As such it is considered that the Council has implemented the requirement set out in paragraph 38 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

14. There may be bats present at the property that would be disturbed by the proposed development. You are advised that bats are deemed to be European Protected species. Should bats be found during the carrying out of the approved works, you should stop work immediately and seek further advice from the Ecology Section of Museum Field Services, The Butts, Warwick, CV34 4SS (Contact Ecological Services on 01926 418060).

15. The developer is reminded that the Control of Pollution Act 1974 restricts the carrying out of construction activities that are likely to cause nuisance or disturbance to others to be limited to the hours of 08:00 to 18:00 Monday to Friday and 08:00 to 13:00 on Saturdays, with no working of this type permitted on Sundays or Bank Holidays. The Control of Pollution Act 1974 is enforced by Environmental Health.

16. Section 163 of the Highways Act 1980 requires that water will not be permitted to fall from the roof or any other part of premises adjoining the public highway upon persons using the highway; or surface water to flow - so far as is reasonably practicable - from premises onto or over the highway footway. The developer should, therefore, take all steps as may be reasonable to prevent water so falling or flowing.

17. With regards to highway works, you should be aware of Sections 149, 151, 163 and 278 of relevant Acts.

18. The access road to the site, should remain open during works as it serves as a access to pedestrians and also for other sites beyond.

19. It is reported that the site building could contain asbesos. you are advised to check before any demolition works take place and if so, it should be treated in the correct manner and disposed of to a licenced premises. If you have any question, the Councils Environmental Health Team.

Local Government Act 1972 Section 100D, as substituted by the Local Government Act, 2000 Section 97

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Background Paper No	Author	Nature of Background Paper	Date
1	The Applicant or Agent	Application Forms, Plans and Statement(s)	18/5/18
2	Resident	Representation	7/6/18
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13	Resident	Representation	20/7/18
14	WCC Health	Consultation response	31/5/18
15	NWBC Housing	Consultation response	4/6/18
16	WCC Fire	Consultation response	5/6/18
17	Warwickshire Police	Consultation response	6/6/18
18	WCC Ecology	Consultation response	8/6/18
19	WCC Ecology	Consultation response	12/6/18
20	WCC FRM	Consultation response	12/6/18
21	NWBC Forward Plans	Consultation response	13/6/18
22	George Eliot Trust	Consultation response	15/6/18
23	WCC Health	Consultation response	20/6/18
24	NWBC Env Health	Consultation response	25/6/18
25	WCC Ecology	Consultation response	28/6/18
26	NWBC Forward Plans	Consultation response	2/7/18
27	WCC FRM	Consultation response	2/7/18
28	NWBC Env Health	Consultation response	4/7/18
29	WCC Infrastructure	Consultation response	6/7/18
30	George Eliot Trust	Consultation response	24/7/18
31	WCC highways	Consultation response	9/8/18
32	Case officer	Consultation emails / letters	31/5/18
33	Case officer	Email to agent	31/5/18
34	Case officer and agent	Exchange of emails	4/6 – 8/6/18
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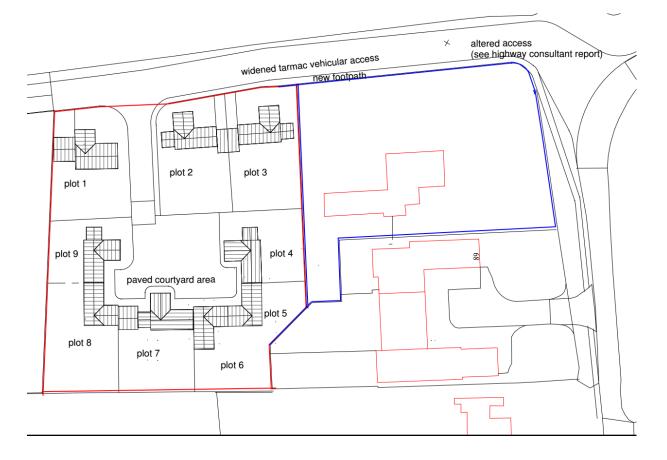
38	Case officer	Email to George Eliot Trust	20/6/18
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40	Case officer and agent	Exchange of emails	25/6/18 – 29/6/18
41	Case officer	Email to WCC FRM	3/7/18
42	Case officer	Emails to agent	3/7 and 5/7/18
43	Case officer and agent	Exchange of emails	23/7 and 24/7/18
44	Case officer	Email to agent	31/7 and 2/8/18
45	Case officer	Email to WCC Highways	31/7/18
46	Case officer and agent	Exchange of emails	7/8/18 – 10/8/18

Note: This list of background papers excludes published documents which may be referred to in the report, such as The Development Plan and Planning Policy Guidance Notes.

A background paper will include any item which the Planning Officer has relied upon in preparing the report and formulating his recommendation. This may include correspondence, reports and documents such as Environmental Impact Assessments or Traffic Impact Assessments.

Appendix A – Site Location Plan





Appendix C – Site photos















(9) Application No's PAP/2018/0377 and DOC/2018/0051

A) PAP/2018/0377

Ashleigh, Coventry Road, Fillongley

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B) DOC/2018/0051

Approval of details required by conditions 3, 4 and 12 of planning permission APP/R3705/W/16/3145303 dated 29/7/16 in respect of facing materials, landscaping and lighting details

both for Mr J Cassidy

Introduction

Application "A" as described above was reported to the last Board meeting but determination was deferred pending the receipt of a single set of plans that would be determined. Members were aware that amendments had been made to the original set of plans and that there was a degree of "leap frogging" in terms of receiving representations and then amended plans. The plans now reported are those to be determined.

The proposed elevations and layout are shown at Appendix A which also illustrates the already approved street scene and identifies the detailed changes to each plot. It also includes a plan showing separation distances.

At the same time, an application was submitted to discharge other conditions contained in the planning permission for the site as described in application "B" above. Normally this would be dealt with separately but in view of the "amenity" issues raised by objectors to Application A, it seems appropriate to have both determined together.

A copy of the previous report relating to Application "A" is at Appendix B.

An outline of Application "B" is provided below, before the report deals with the planning merits of both.

The Proposals for Discharge of Conditions

These relate to the need to discharge three of the pre-commencement conditions attached to the planning permission granted at appeal.

Condition 3 relates to the facing and roofing materials to be used. It is proposed to use Birtley Olde English bricks and Redland duo-plain Charcoal grey roofing tiles. Block paving would be used for hard standings.

Condition 4 relates to full details of the soft and hard landscaping details. Details are submitted to cover all of the matters referred to by the condition including details of boundary treatments and the entrance gates. The plan is attached at Appendix C.

Condition 12 requires details of the lighting scheme for the site. The details submitted show low level bollards for the service road and small wall mounted security lighting. These are illustrated at Appendix D

Representations

Members will be aware of the objections received to the original submission of Application "A" and these are outlined in Appendix B. The plans referred to in Appendix A have been re-circulated for comments and it is anticipated that the same issues will be raised. These will be covered in the main report below, but any new matter will be raised at the meeting

There have been no representations received in respect of Application "B" during its three week consultation period.

Consultations

Warwickshire County Council as Highway Authority – It has been asked to comment on the proposed access re-location to Ashleigh. The applicant has submitted a Road Safety Audit in respect of this alteration – see Appendix E. The County Council have received this. At the time of writing this report the County Council has agreed to the inclusion of these works in a Section 278 Agreement under the Highways Act and had no negative feedback on the Audit. A formal response to the planning application has not yet been received and an update will be provided at the meeting.

Development Plan

There is no change in the Development Plan policies relevant to both applications as set out in Appendix B

Other Material Planning Considerations

The new NPPF came into effect at the end of July after the date of the last Board report.

There is nothing in the 2018 NPPF that would affect the discussion below.

Observations

It is proposed to look at the several issues raised by the objectors in turn and then to cover any other outstanding matters.

a) The increase in height at Plot 3

As indicated in the previous report the increase in height to plot 3 would bring its height up to that already approved for the neighbouring two properties on either side – see Appendix A. Although there would be uniformity of height with the other plots, that is not in itself a reason for refusal. The increase in height is not considered to lead to any material worsening in the visual appearance of the development. The increase in height does enable the roof space to be used and two first floor windows are proposed. The Board is reminded of the Inspector's comments on the appeal case and the conclusion that the separation distances are appropriate. This conclusion would not alter in respect of this change now being proposed. There is thus no material worsening to the residential amenity of the frontage properties.

b) The increase in volume for the Plots

There is an overall increase in volume over the five properties. Appendix A illustrates the increases in plan form and by elevation. This is not considered to materially worsen the residential amenity of the frontage properties.

c) The increase in the number of windows

The increase in first floor windows can be seen at Appendix A. There would be five additional dormers and five additional velux lights. There would also be an additional side elevation window at Plot 5 together with side panels to the front doors. There are also additional windows in the rear elevations - five dormers. The changes at ground floor level are very unlikely to be visible to frontage properties given the intervening boundary treatments. The side panels are to be fitted with obscure glazing. The new velux lights are to stairwells and not to habitable rooms. Two of the new dormers are to en-suite rooms and obscure glazing is to be used. Given these circumstances and the fact that the approved scheme already had first floor windows and these were found to be acceptable in the appeal case, it is difficult to see that there is a material reason for As the separation distances remain the same, there is no material refusal here. adverse impact on residential amenity. There is also a concern that whilst these new openings might not be to habitable rooms or that they can be obscurely glazed, the fact is that there will be light emitted from them. It is acknowledged that there is as a matter of fact, an increase and that there will be a greater degree of lighting, but this is of a residential scale and nature and Members are asked to assess whether there would be a significant worsening here, given the conclusions already reached by the Inspector.

d) Car Parking

In its comments on the original scheme submitted for Application A, the Fillongley Parish Council considered that there was insufficient car parking space provided. The applicant consequently increased provision, but this led to an objection from a neighbour concerned about the impact on residential amenity. The provision showed on the plans at Appendix A is for 400% provision – in excess of the Council's standards. The additional spaces are to be provided in front of each of the new houses apart from additional visitors spaces at the rear of Ashleigh. They would thus not reduce the amount of space available for planting along the rear of the frontage properties. On balance it is considered appropriate to plan for additional spaces now, rather than have ad-hoc parking at a later date. The principle of houses here and parking at the rear of frontage property has already been established.

e) The Re-location of the access to Ashleigh

In highway technical terms this is acceptable to the Highway Authority. It has come about because of the need to plan for the nearby crossing arrangements over the Coventry Road as required by the appeal decision. The concern is that the re-location will affect existing boundary treatments and stability at the neighbouring property and that it reduces visibility and increases the likelihood of conflicting movements when exiting the site. There is also concern that the amount of green grass verge would be removed. The Highway Authority agrees to the re-location from a technical point of view as outlined in the consultations section above. However, the formal response to the planning application is awaited. In respect of the other issues, then the boundary concerns are a private matter to be resolved between the parties. A note can be attached to the grant of any planning permission so as to draw attention to this issue. This is normal practice. The loss of verge is not considered to be material in the overall setting.

f) Landscaping

The proposals here are suitable and appropriate.

g) Lighting

The grant of the permission for the development recognised that there would be some lighting needed and that as this was to be a private drive, then that would not be the normal street columns. The use of low level, low luminance bollards is therefore proposed. These would be a metre tall and located alongside the access drive next to Ashleigh (three bollards); at the turning head outside plot 5 (four bollards) and along the access drive (four bollards). There will be some luminance reflected off the road surfaces here, but this is not considered to be material in giving rise to adverse impacts. There is also concern expressed about house lights fitted to front elevations. This is again not considered to give rise to material impacts.

h) Materials

The materials are appropriate to the setting here and there has been no comment received on them.

i) Other Matters

In looking at the proposals and given the objections received, the applicant was asked to consider the "handing" of the development such that the new dwellings had their rear elevations and gardens backing onto those of the frontage properties. The applicant points out that the separation distances would probably be reduced as the houses would be closer to those along the frontage and then there would be rear gardens backing onto rear gardens, which could still give rise to amenity issues because of the likely greater activity levels than that arising from the road.

The possibility of replacing some of the new dormer windows in the front elevations with windows at the rear instead was also put to the applicant. He points out that these are mostly for en-suite rooms and will be obscurely glazed and that the separation distances have already been found to be appropriate through the recent appeal decision. He sees no planning reason to further amend the scheme.

Recommendations

a) DOC/2018/0051

That the following details be approved in discharge of conditions attached to planning permission APP/R3705/W/16/3145303 dated 29/7/16:

- 1. The materials schedule received on 16/7/18 in full discharge of Condition 3
- 2. All of the details received on 16/7/18 in full discharge of all of the matters under Condition 4
- 3. The lighting details received on 16/7/18 in discharge of Condition 12.

b) PAP/2018/0377

That subject to there being no objection from the County Council as Highway Authority, Condition 2 of planning permission APP/R3705/W/16/3145303 dated 29/7/16 be varied so as to refer to the plan numbers contained in Appendix A to this report; that a note be added as outlined in the report and that any conditions required by the Highway Authority be added.

<u>11no Documents to support Application PAP/2018/0377</u> <u>for the Variation of Condition 2,</u> <u>Ashleigh, Coventry Road, Fillongley</u> <u>Approved Appeal Ref – APP/R3705/W/16/3145303</u>

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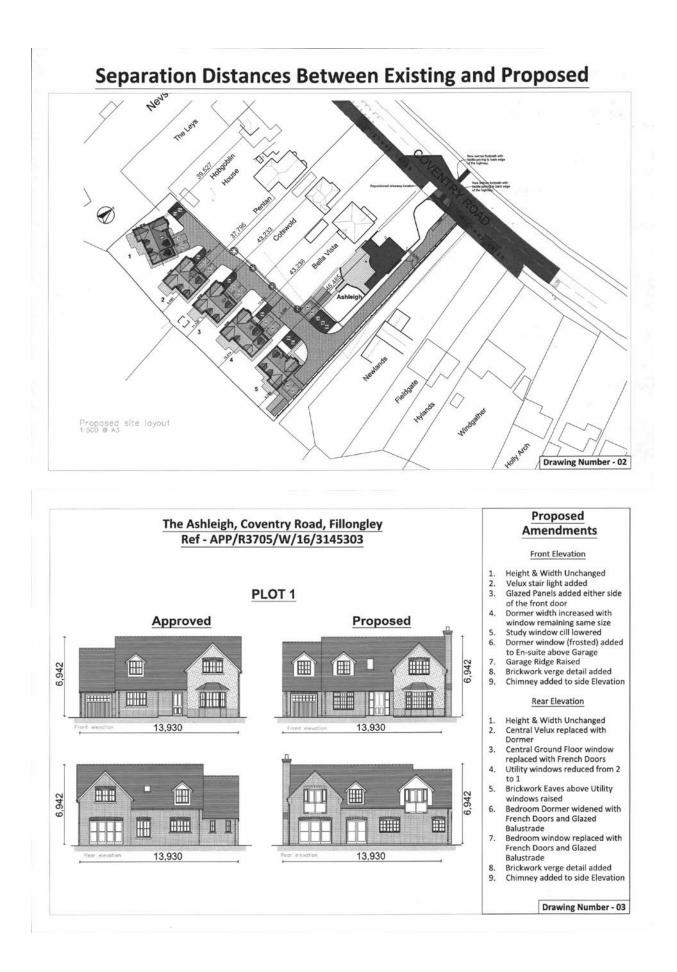
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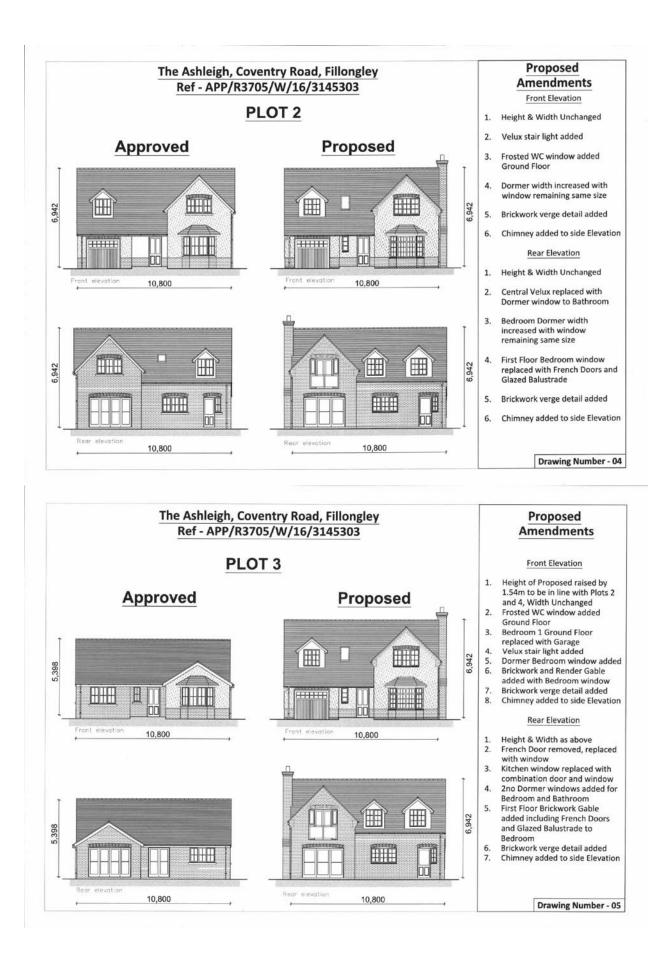
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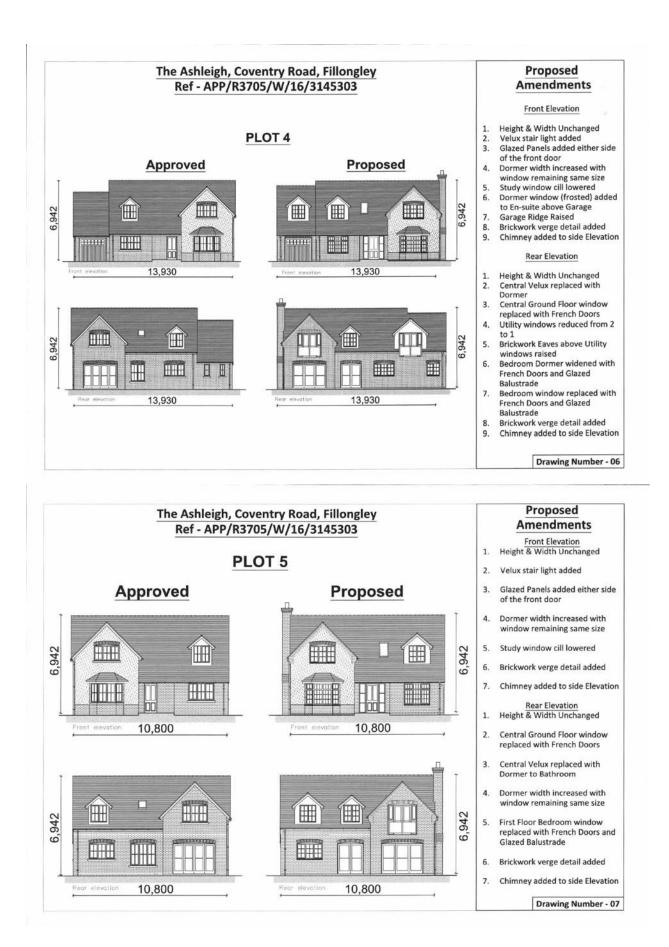
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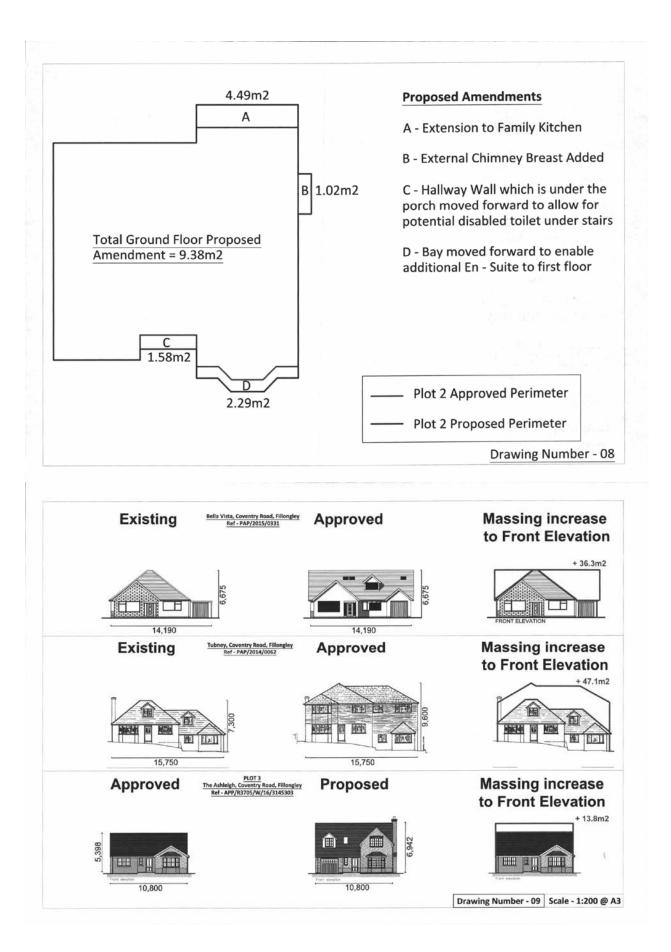
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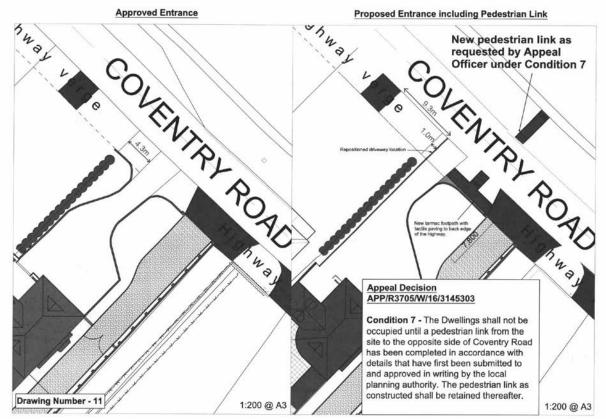












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Ashleigh, Coventry Road, Fillongley

Variation of Condition 2 of planning permission APP/R3705/W/16/3245303 dated 29/7/16 relating to plot 3 – increase in ridge height from 5.398m to 6.935m together with elevation changes to Plots 1 to 5 for

Mr J Cassidy

Introduction

This application is referred to the Board by local Members who are concerned about the potential impact for over-looking and the loss of privacy.

The Site

Ashleigh is one of a number of frontage detached houses and bungalows on the south side of Coventry Road. The site is at the rear and extends along the back of several of these properties.

The site is illustrated at Appendix A

Background

A detailed planning permission was granted on appeal in 2016 for the erection of five dwellings on this site.

The appeal decision is attached at Appendix B.

The approved layout and elevations are at Appendix C

The Proposals

It is proposed to raise the height of the unit on plot 3 by 1.537 metres together with elevation changes to all five dwellings. A schedule of proposed changes is at Appendix D

The proposed street scene is at Appendix E.

As can be seen from Appendix C, the approved development has four one and half storey "dormer" bungalows and one single storey bungalow in line with their own service road running parallel to a frontage of detached properties facing the Tamworth Road. The fronts of the new bungalows thus face the rear of the frontage properties. The new development would also be lowered by some 0.75 metres from original ground levels throughout its length. The distance between the front elevations and the rear elevations of the existing dwellings is between 37 and 39 metres. The Inspector dealing with the appeal found that this distance was acceptable. Additionally she concluded that the heights of the new dwellings would be subservient to the frontage properties aided by the lowering in ground levels.

Representations

At the time of writing this report four letters of objection have been received referring to the following matters:

- These houses are on garden land and behind other houses
- They will be visible to existing occupiers
- The access is poor
- They will dominate the environment
- The increased height will increase over looking
- There are more windows
- The increased height is unnecessary

Development Plan

The Core Strategy 2014 - NW10 (Development Considerations)

Other Material Planning Considerations

The National Planning Policy Framework

The Submitted North Warwickshire Local Plan 2018 - LP31 (Development Considerations)

Observations

There is a planning permission here for the erection of five new dwellings and thus the principle of development is not a matter for re-consideration with this current application. The approved layout and the location and size of the footprints of the new dwellings are neither being proposed for variation. The issues are wholly limited to consideration of the proposed changes to the design and appearance of the new dwellings.

It is proposed to raise the height of the building on plot 3 - the central one of the five - by 1.5 metres. This would bring it into line with the approved ridge heights of the other four. There is therefore no reason here for refusal. Whilst the same ridge height throughout would lead to a more uniform overall appearance, that is not a reason for refusal given that there is no heritage asset here to consider, or other adopted design requirement. Indeed the Inspector neither found that the development was so out of keeping with the character and appearance of the area to warrant refusal. That decision approves the height of this proposal.

The other detailed changes do not materially alter the general appearance of the dwellings and neither do they introduce any elements that might lead to adverse amenity impacts on the occupiers to the existing houses. In short:

- Plots 1 and 4 introduce a new dormer to the front elevation over the garage; a new velux light on the front roof and larger windows to the rear. A chimney is also added.
- Plot 2 adds a chimney and a new velux light to the front roof slope with rear fenestration enlarged
- Plot 3 would appear as Plot 2. The changes are the increase in height with a velux light and two windows in the roof slope – one a dormer and the second in a gable.

Plot 5 adds a chimney and "hands" the front gable from one side to the other and the rear windows are enlarged.

There was concern raised previously about the number of windows in the front elevations of the new houses. For completeness, the approved scheme has a total of eight. The current proposal is for twelve with five new velux roof lights. This increase is not a reason for refusal in its own right. Clearly the Inspector allowed the appeal because the separation distances were appropriate and in excess of that normally considered to be acceptable. The lowering in ground levels aided that conclusion. The proposed changes do not alter this overall conclusion.

Recommendation

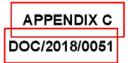
That plan numbers 6882/09G; 21E; 22D, and 23C all received on 19/6/18, be substituted for those referred to in condition 2 of the permission APP/R3705/W/16/3245303 dated 29/7/16, subject to the conditions contained in that decision.

Notes:

a) The Local Planning Authority has met the requirements of the NPPF in this case by balancing the planning issues involved against the Development Plan and other material planning considerations.

Background Papers

Application 19/6/18 D and S Lees Objection 5/7/18 S McIndoe Objection 2/7/18 J Macdonald Objection 27/6/18 C Rooke Objection 28/6/18



<u>Condition 4 –</u> <u>Item F and H</u>

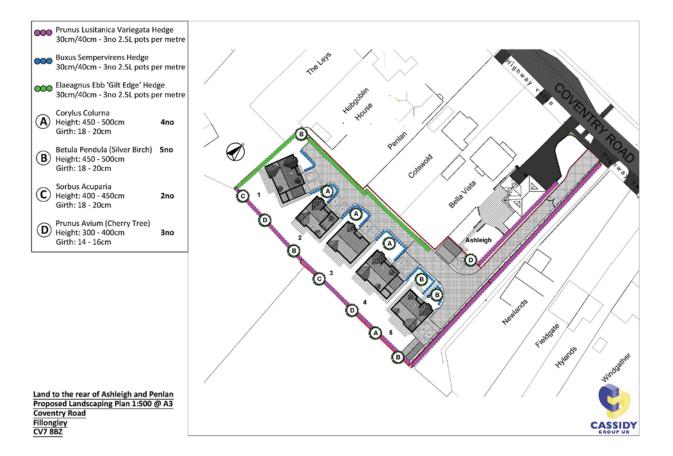
<u>F – Planting Plans</u>

<u>H – A Schedule of Plants noting Species, Plant</u> <u>Sizes and Proposed Numbers</u>

> Please Refer to Drawing reference -Proposed Landscaping Plan & Schedule of Plants and Trees







Schedule of Plants and Trees



Prunus Lusitanica Variegata



Buxus Sempervirens hedge (Common Box)



Elaeagnus Ebb Hedge (Gilt Edge)









Prunus Avium (Cherry Tree)

Corylus Colurna Tree

Sorbus Aucuparia Tree (Sheer Water Seedling)

> Betula Pendula Tree (Silver Birch)

<u>Condition 4 –</u> <u>Item i and J</u>

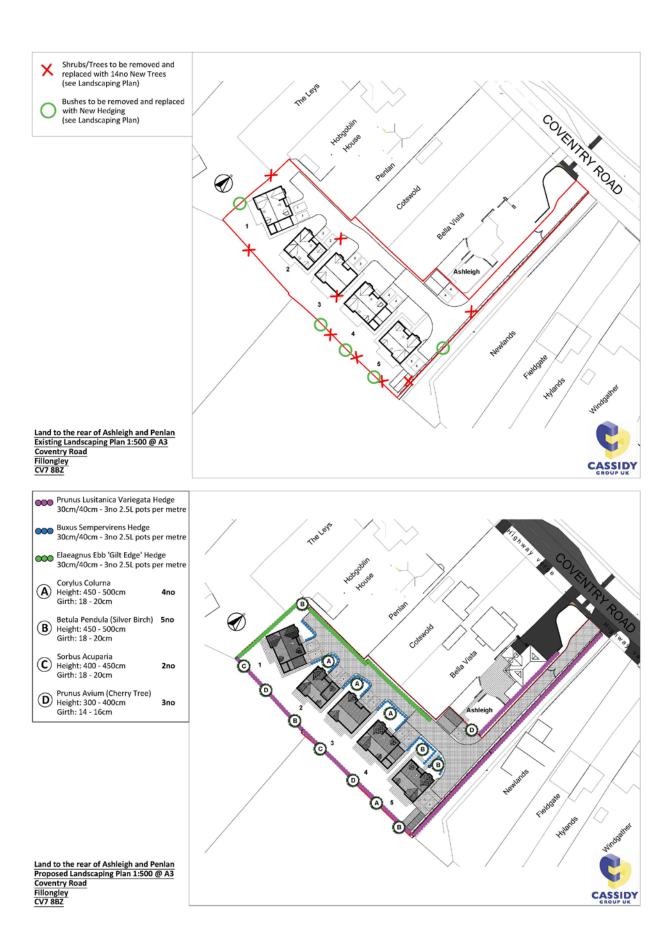
<u>i – Existing Landscape Features including</u> <u>hedges to be retained</u>

<u>J – Existing Landscape Features including</u> <u>hedges to be removed</u>

Please Refer to Drawing reference -Existing Landscaping Plan Proposed Landscaping Plan







<u>Condition 4 –</u> <u>Item K</u>

K – an implementation programme

Please Refer to the Landscape Implementation Plan and Maintenance Programme







LANDSCAPE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME

1.0 GENERAL

1.1 Construction Programme

At present an exact start date for construction of the 5no dwellings has not been finalised and therefore we cannot provide a monthly programme and therefore cannot determine the completion date for occupation of the properties compared to recommended planting seasons.

1.2 Planting Phasing Plan

All Planting as shown within the Proposed Landscaping Plan will be planted prior to the occupation of the properties. There will be no phasing regardless of the recommended planting season. Instead, Cassidy Group will ensure that the plants are maintained and watered sufficiently and replace any plants or trees that die, are removed, become seriously damaged or diseased in accordance of Planning Condition 5.

1.3 Standards

All plants shall conform to BS 3936 and be in accordance with the National Plant Specification. Supplying nurseries shall be registered under the HTA Nursery Certification Scheme. All plants shall be packed and transported in accordance with the Code of Practice for Plant Handling as produced by CPSE. Planting shall not be carried out when the ground is waterlogged, frostbound or during periods of cold drying winds. All bare root stock shall be root dipped in an approved waterretaining polymer.

If the formation level is compacted it should be ripped through before topsoiling. Topsoil depths to be 450mm for shrub beds and 150mm for grass areas.

2.0 ORNAMENTAL SHRUBS AND TREES

2.1 Ground Preparation

Where necessary treat existing weeds with a glyphosate based herbicide and allow a suitable period as recommended by the manufacturer for this to take effect. A general purpose slow release fertiliser at the rate of 75gm/m2 and Tree Planting and Mulching Compost at the rate of 20litres/m2 are to be incorporated into the top 150mm of topsoil during final cultivations. All extraneous matter such as plastic, wood, metal and stones greater than 50mm in any dimension shall be removed from site.



Tree pits are to be excavated and the base broken up a further 150mm with the sides well scarified to prevent smearing. All trees up to and including selected standards are to be supported with single 75mm diameter stakes. All rootball, container grown and trees over heavy standard size shall be double staked. Any feature trees semi mature in size to be secured with a below ground anchoring system (such as a deadman anchor). Stakes should be driven 500mm into undisturbed ground before planting the tree, taking care to avoid underground services and cables etc.

2.2 Planting





Shrubs and hedges are to be set out as shown on the drawing and pit planted into the prepared soil at the specified centres with minimal disturbance to the rootball and well firmed in.

Trees are to be placed into the pits and backfilled with topsoil incorporating slow release fertilizer and Tree Planting and Mulching Compost as specified. Firm trees in well and secure with proprietary rubber tree ties and spacers.

Water in all trees and shrubs at the end of each day of planting.

Spread ornamental pine bark mulch to a depth of 75mm across all new planting areas, ensuring groundcover plants are not buried

2.3 Maintenance

The landscape contractor shall maintain all areas of new planting for a period of 12 months following practical completion. All stock deemed to be dead, dying or diseased within the defects period shall be replaced by the contractor at their cost. Any trees or plants which within a period of five years that die, are removed, or become seriously damaged will be replaced in the next planting season by the developer.

The site is to be visited monthly throughout the first 12months to undertake the following operations.

<u>Weed clearance:</u> All planting areas are to be kept weed free by hand weeding or herbicide treatment.

Litter clearance: All litter is to be removed from planting beds.

<u>Watering:</u> Planting areas are to be brought up to field capacity at each visit and each tree is to receive 20 gallons.

<u>Checking trees:</u> All tree ties and stakes are to be checked and adjusted if too loose, too tight or if chaffing is occurring. Any broken stakes are to be replaced. <u>Formative pruning:</u> Any damaged shoots/branches are to be pruned back to healthy wood. Plants are to be pruned in accordance with good horticultural practice to maintain healthy well-shaped specimens.

3.0 NATIVE SHRUB PLANTING

3.1. Ground Preparation

The extent of the planting area shall be set out using 38x38x1200mm timber stakes at each change in direction and at a maximum of 50m intervals.

Either : for notch planting all herbaceous material within the proposed planting area shall be sprayed out using an approved herbicide at least two weeks before planting and the ground shall be cultivated to a depth of 150mm.



or : for pit planting

A 900mm diameter circle shall be sprayed out at each planting station using an approved herbicide at least two weeks before planting.

3.2 Planting

All bare rooted stock is to be root dipped in water retaining polymer. Proposed planting is to be planted on an informal grid. To avoid straight lines each planting station can be moved by up to 300mm in any direction.

Either a for shelters or b for rabbit fence

a. All stock to be protected from rabbit damage using approved proprietory tree and shrub shelters, 900mm and 600mm high respectively, secured with stakes and ties as advised by the manufacturer.

b. All stock to be protected from rabbit damage by 900mm high rabbit fencing erected in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations.

3.3 Maintenance

Using approved herbicides a 900mm diameter circle centred on each planting station shall be kept weed free throughout the maintenance period.

Each Autumn after planting and until handover to the adopting authority, the contractor will prepare a list of all plants which are dead, dying or diseased and will replace these during the following planting season.

4.0 NATIVE HEDGE PLANTING

4.1 Setting Out

The hedge line shall be set out using 38x38x1200 stakes at maximum 50m intervals and all herbaceous material within 400mm of the centre line shall be sprayed out using an approved herbicide at least two weeks before planting.

4.2 Preparation

The 800mm wide hedge line shall be cultivated to 150mm incorporating Enmag or equal at 75gm/m2.

4.3 Planting

Plants shall be notch planted in two rows 250mm apart and staggered at 300mm centres. All plants are to be protected with a 600mm proprietary shelter secured with a stake/cane and ties as recommended by the manufacturer.

4.4 Maintenance



Using approved herbicides a 800mm wide swathe centred on the hedgeline shall be kept weed free throughout the maintenance period.

5.0 GRASS

5.1 Preparation

The area to be seeded shall be sprayed out with a glyphosate herbicide and cultivated to a depth of 100mm removing all weeds, debris and stones over 25mm diameter. The surface shall be raked to smooth flowing contours with a fine tilth, incorporating pre-seeding fertiliser at 70 g/m2.

5.2 Turf

Turfing operations shall be in accordance with BS 4428.

Whole turves shall be laid around the perimeter of the area to be turfed. The central area shall be laid in rows with staggered joints, well butted together, working from planks positioned on turves already laid. The turf shall be watered on completion. Any unevenness shall be made good by lifting the turf and adjusting the levels. Should shrinkage occur, fine topsoil shall be brushed into the joints.

5.3 Seeding

Grass seed shall be sown in April during calm weather and not when the ground is frost bound or waterlogged. Seed shall be sown in two equal sowings in transverse directions at 35 g/m2. After sowing the contractor shall lightly rake the seed into intimate contact with the soil. All seed mixes to be specified in accordance with those set out in the approved management plan.

5.4 Initial cut

When newly seeded areas reach 50mm they should be cut back to a height of 30mm and then cut twice annually in early Spring and late Summer. All arisings shall be removed or spread evenly across grassland. Any bare patches shall be made good at this time.

- 6.0 TOPSOIL
- 6.1 Existing Topsoil Pre-planting herbicide application:-



Apply by suitable spraying apparatus, an approved translocated systemic herbicide to the manufacturer's instructions and to 1997 Control of Pesticides Regulations and 2003 COSHH regulations on all beds, except those which are both weed free and are to receive agrotextile sheet mulch. Spray immediately if any weeds are present. If none are showing, but there may be a delay before planting, or the area is to be seeded, spray after one month following cultivation, to allow dormant seed to terminate. All spraying shall be carried out by skilled and qualified operatives, using protective clothing, in suitable weather (no wind) and any damage caused by spray drift, from incorrect usage or spillage, shall be rectified at the contractor's own cost. Repeat as necessary to ensure complete kill and rake off all dead material from site.

Carry out the following works to the existing topsoil on site to ensure it Conforms to BS 3882:2015, being free from rocks larger than 50m diameter, concrete, all roots, wire, brick, and have less than 20% clay. Allow for pre-application of herbicide as above. Fertilize with 100g per meter square of Vitax "Nutricote 180" slow release fertilizer, in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. For beds less than 5 meters in width, fork over thoroughly or machine rotavate soil to a depth of 300mm, ensuring that the subgrade and topsoil are completely broken up and free draining, relieving any compaction. For beds greater than 5 metres in width, break up the subgrade and topsoil using a tractor mounted subsoiler or ripper at 500mm centres to a depth of 500mm, except where there are services, or within 10 metres of tree stems or 3 metres of existing hedges. Do not rip areas where roots greater than 10mm diameter are encountered.

6.2 Imported Topsoil

Any imported topsoil for making up ground, shall conform to BS:3882:2015, and be free from rocks (over 50mm diameter), concrete, roots, wire and brick, and have less 20% clay.

7.0 WILDFLOWER AND GRASSLAND MIX

7.1 Preparation

If required the area to be seeded shall be sprayed out with a glyphosate herbicide and cultivated to a depth of 100mm removing all weeds, debris and stones over 25mm diameter. The surface shall be raked to smooth flowing contours with a fine to medium tilth.

7.2 Seeding



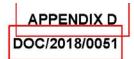
Meadow and wildflower seed mixes shall be sown in either August -September or March -April during calm weather and not when the ground is frost bound or waterlogged. Seed shall be sown in two equal sowings in transverse directions at 4 or 5 g/m2, according to supplier's recommendations. After sowing the contractor shall roll the seed into intimate contact with the soil with a ribbed Cambridge roller.

7.3 First year maintenance for common areas

All litter should be removed from areas prior to mowing. The following procedures should not be undertaken in adverse weather conditions or if ground conditions prevent the use of machinery without damage to the ground surface. Mow regularly throughout the first year of establishment to encourage basal growth and reduce weed competition. All arisings shall be removed.

7.4 Second and subsequent year maintenance for common areas

Management of subsequent years comprises a single Autumn cut in September or October to allow plants to set seed. Arisings shall be left for a minimum of 24 hours and a maximum of 7 days before being removed.



<u>Condition 12 –</u>

Details of any External Lighting shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority before the dwellings hereby permitted are occupied. The Lighting shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details

Please Refer to Drawing reference -External Lighting Plan, Data Sheets & Lighting Report





Tamlite Lighting

Data sheet









Features:

High output LED bollard Ideal for pathways and pedestrian areas Symmetric distribution Surface mounted utilising J bolts CRI: Ra>80 Up to 65 lumens per Watt efficacy 50,000 hours lifetime (L70/B50)

Construction:

Extruded aluminium body finished in black (RAL 9005) Root mounted kit also available Integral driver Supplied as standard with neutral white (4000K) LED

Options:

M3 - 3 hours integrated emergency

Lighting for **a Living**

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Data sheet



FRESCO

Order Codes

All dimensions are in millimetres

Order code	Description	Lumens (Im)	Total power (W)	Efficacy (Im/W)	Weight (kg)
FREL23NW	23W - 4000K	1500	23	65	5.7

Dimensions		All dimensions are in millimetres	
Order code	с	Diameter	
FREL23NW	1000	180	

Installation instructions:

Surface mount utilising J bolt assembly and wired via a three way terminal block. Please

ensure correct ground preparations are applied before installation

To specify:

LED bollard as per Tamlite FRESCO range

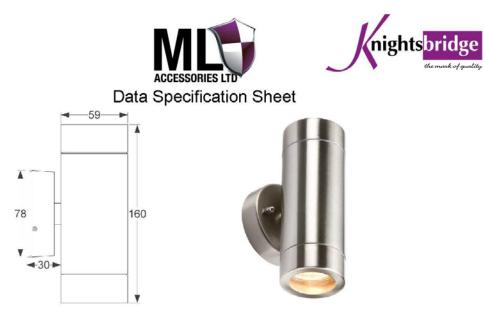
Please Note: Order codes listed are for standard (non-emergency) versions only. For all other gear options, please contact Tamlite Lighting.



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WALL2L GU10 Wall Mounted Fitting

Code	WALL2L
Description	GU10 Wall mounted IP65 Fitting Up & Down light
Finishes available	Stainless Steel
Overall dimensions (mm) Depth from Wall	See Above
Product Weight	696 grams
Recommended product location	Indoor or Outdoor (Not recommended for food preparation areas)
Lamp Supplied	No
Voltage (V)	230V 50Hz
Maximum Lamp Wattage (W)	2x35Watts
Class	Class I. Must be Earthed
IP	IP65
Distance from lighted object	0.3M
Photometric Testing	Not available
Instruction sheet	Yes
Origin of manufacture	China
Main materials:	
Body & Base	Stainless Steel
Glass	Tempered Glass, Temperature Rated To 300°C.
Reflector	N/A
Method of fix	Wall mounting base plate 2 x screw 40mm centres
Lampholder cap	2xGU10
Lamp type and base	2xGU10 35watt Max – GU10 LED
Electrical Connections	10A L.E.N. Nylon Connector, Screw Terminals
Cable rating (mm SQ /C.S.A.) & type	N/a
CE mark	Yes
Quality Assurance System	Yes ISO 9001 QMS
Batch coding details on product	Yes
Certificate of Conformity (Held on File)	Yes
Manufactured in accordance to:	EN60 598-2-5
Warranty	1 year

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Bollard Lighting

Installation :	Various
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Project number	:	35468
Customer	:	CEF Coventry North
Processed by	:	Nick Cadman
Date	:	05.07.2018

Project description:

All calculations unless stated have been based upon an open plan area without any obstructions above the working plane.

With regards to CIBSE/ BSEN12464-1:2011 we have shown illuminance levels and ratios for your ultimate approval. UGR and luminance values are available for your approval if necessary. It may be necessary in some instances to check UGR values even if the luminance values are below the compliant threshold. Emergency lighting has been designed in accordance with BS5266-1:2016 but is an indicative layout only additional lighting may be required. All emergency lighting is to be checked and confirmed with a local

building/fire control officer and ultimately approved by the owner of the building. Any emergency lighting calculations that have been completed have been based on 0.5 lux for open areas and 1 lux for escape routes (where details of escape routes have been given).

Please be aware of L2 requirements and check that conformity has been met where required. In addition, ensuring that fire tents are used where needed to conform to current building regulations is vital; please contact our sales office for a quotation.

All luminaires used are subject to approval/certification of client/end user.

Common design parameters (shown below) have been used in order to carry out all calculations. If any part of this scheme or luminaire choice within this scheme is deemed not suitable for the application, please contact us for re-calculations to be carried out prior to an order being placed. All calculations have been based upon rated lumen outputs and may vary with ambient on site temperatures.

Please ensure that this lighting scheme complies with all requirements, and if further details/calculations are required please contact us via the below details.

Final quantities are to be confirmed prior to an order/installation and we will not be held responsible for any errors or omissions. *****

Nominal Values Used:

Maintenance Factor - 0.8

Reflectance Values (Office Type Interior): 70\50\20 Reflectance Values (Warehouse Type Interior): 50\30\20

>Calculations based on the positions on the drawing provided, light level and uniformity poor due to bollards being used.

The following values are based on exact calculations on calibrated lamps, luminaires and their arrangement. In practice, gradual divergences can occur.

Guarantee claims for luminaire data are excluded

Relux and the luminaire manufacturers accept no liability for consequential damage and damage which is occasioned to the user or to third parties

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1 Luminaire data

1.1 Tamlite Lighting, FRESCO (FREL23NW)

1.1.1 Data sheet

Manufacturer: Tamlite Lighting

FREL23NW Bollard FRESCO Aluminium LED bollard

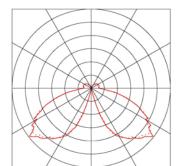
Luminaire data

Absolute Photometry Luminaire efficacy Classification CIE Flux Codes Glare Control gear Power Luminous flux

: 63.84 lm/W : B21 ↓88.1% ↑11.9% : 25 63 90 88 100 : G*2 / D6 : LED Driver : 22.9 W : 1462 lm

Dimensions

: Ø180 mm x 1000 mm









Equipped with		
Quantity	:	1
Designation	:	
Colour	:	
Socket		N/A

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1 Luminaire data

- 1.2 Tamlite Lighting, SLATE (TE-WST2)
- 1.2.1 Data sheet

Manufacturer: Tamlite Lighting

TE-WST2 Wall Lights SLATE High output LED wall light

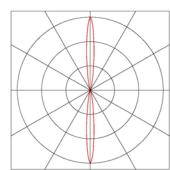
Luminaire data

Absolute Photometry Luminaire efficacy Classification CIE Flux Codes UGR 4H 8H Control gear Power Luminous flux

: 56 lm/W : C84 ↓50.0% ↑50.0% : 95 98 100 50 100 : <10.0 / <10.0 : LED Driver : 12 W : 672 lm

Dimensions

: Ø110 mm x 134 mm









Equipped with		
Quantity	:	1
Designation	:	
Colour	:	
Socket	:	N/A

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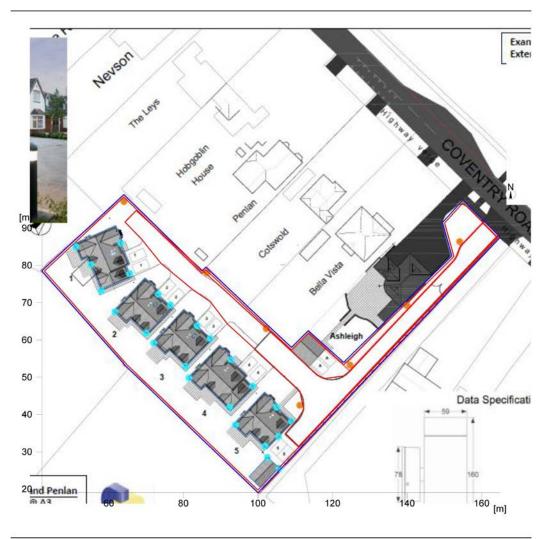
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2 Requested positions

2.1 Description, Requested positions

2.1.1 Floor plan



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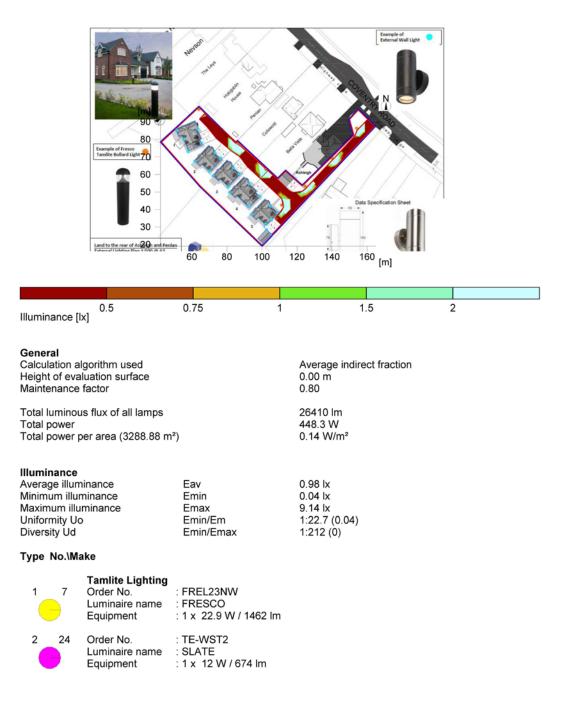
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2 Requested positions

2.2 Summary, Requested positions

2.2.1 Result overview, Roadway



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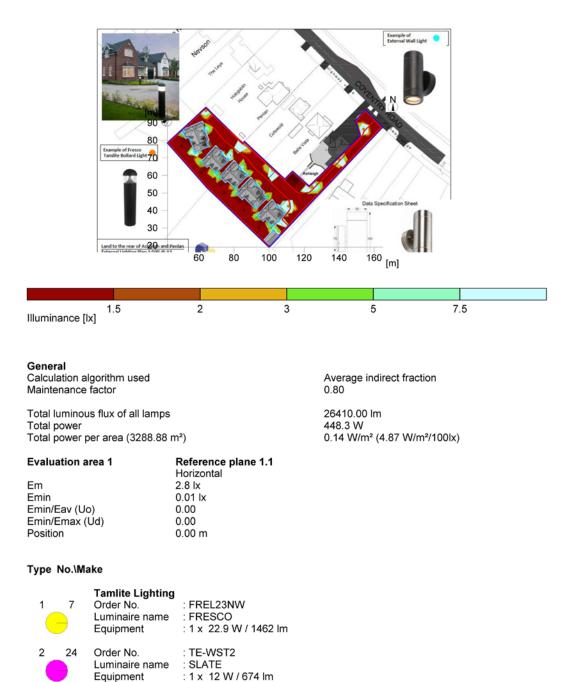
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2.2 Summary, Requested positions

2.2.2 Result overview, Evaluation area 1



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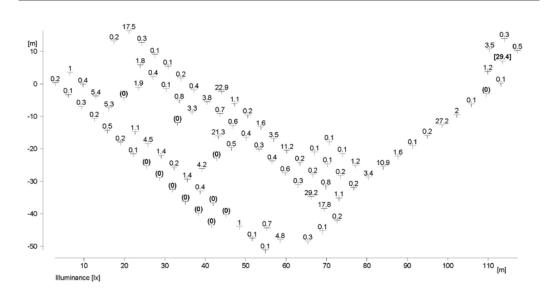
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2 Requested positions

2.3 Calculation results, Requested positions

2.3.1 Table, Reference plane 1.1 (E)





Height of the reference plane Average illuminance Minimum illuminance Maximum illuminance Uniformity Uo Diversity Ud : 0.00 m Eav : 2.8 lx Emin : 0 lx Emax : 29.4 lx Emin/Eav : 1 : 335.54 (0.00) Emin/Emax : 1 : 3524.92 (0.00)

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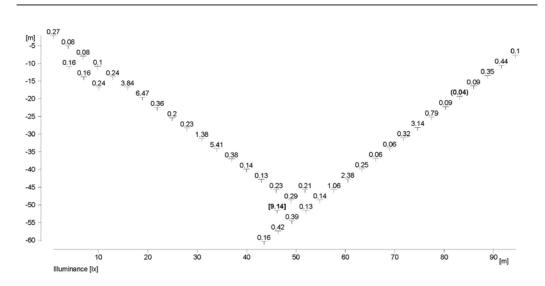
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Installation	: Various
Project number	: 35468
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2.3 Calculation results, Requested positions



2.3.2 Table, Roadway (E)



Height of the reference plane Average illuminance Minimum illuminance Maximum illuminance Uniformity Uo Diversity Ud : 0.00 m Eav : 0.98 lx Emin : 0.04 lx Emax : 9.14 lx Emin/Eav : 1 : 22.72 (0.04) Emin/Emax : 1 : 212.16 (0.00)

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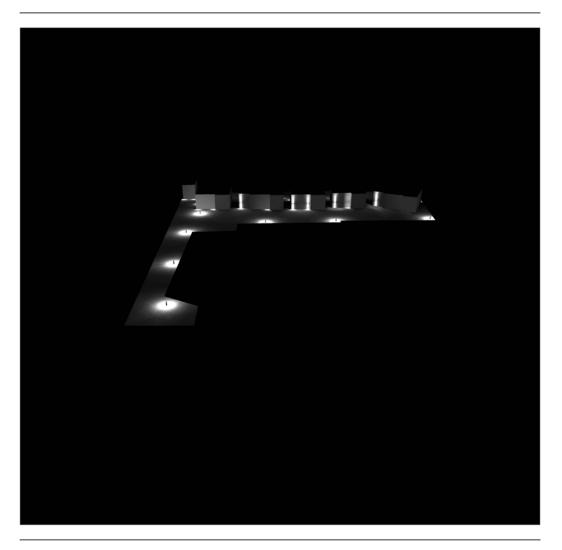
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2.3 Calculation results, Requested positions

2.3.3 3D luminance, View 1



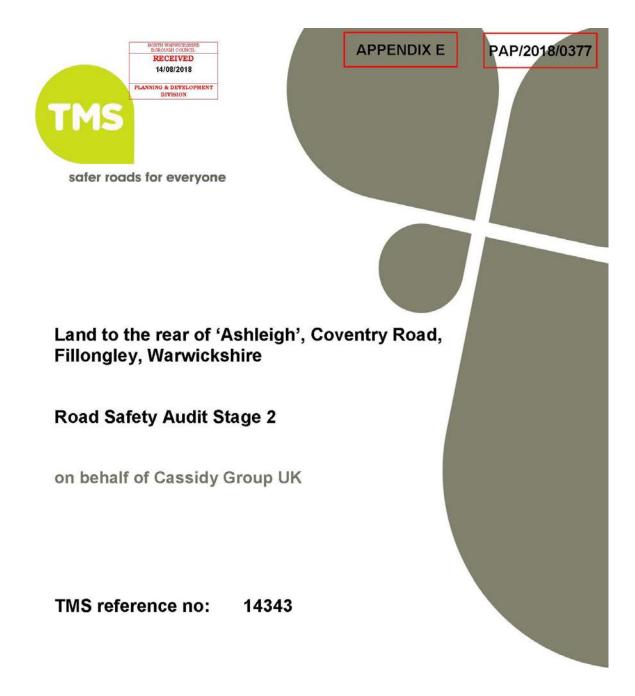
Luminance in the scene Minimum: Maximum:

: 0 cd/m² : 27.3 cd/m²

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Land to the rear of 'Ashleigh', Coventry Road, Fillongley, Warwickshire

Road Safety Audit Stage 2

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This report describes a Stage 2 Road Safety Audit carried out on minor highway works in association with a small residential development at land to the rear of 'Ashleigh', Coventry Road, Fillongley, Warwickshire, on behalf of Cassidy Group UK. The audit was carried out on 10th July 2018 in the offices of TMS Consultancy.
- 1.2 The audit team members were as follows:-

Audit Team Leader

Darren Newbold – MSc, BSc (Hons), MCIHT, MSoRSA Highways England Approved RSA Certificate of Competency Senior Engineer, TMS Consultancy

Audit Team Member

Richard Cook - BA (Hons) Graduate Engineer, TMS Consultancy

- 1.3 The audit comprised an examination of the documents listed in **Appendix A**. The Road Safety Audit was undertaken in accordance with the Brief provided by Kerry Birta, Cassidy Group UK. The site was visited by the Audit Team on 9th July 2018 between 9.45am and 9.55am. The weather was sunny and dry. Traffic flows were light. No pedestrian and cycle flows were observed.
- 1.4 The terms of reference of the audit are as described in HD 19/15. The team has examined and reported only on the road safety implications of the scheme as presented and has not examined or verified the compliance of the design to any other criteria.
- 1.5 All of the problems described in this report are considered by the audit team to require action in order to improve the safety of the scheme and minimise accident occurrence. The locations of specific problems are referenced on the plan in **Appendix B**.

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Client: Cassidy Group Scheme: Land to the rear of 'Ashleigh', Coventry Road, Fillongley, Warwickshire



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1.6 The scheme consists of minor highway works in association with a small residential development (five dwellings) at land to the rear of 'Ashleigh', Coventry Road, Fillongley, Warwickshire. The works include the repositioning of the existing vehicle access to 'Ashleigh', the provision of a pedestrian crossing (uncontrolled) connecting the development to the footway on the east side of Coventry Road and a new vehicle crossover access to serve the development.

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2. Items resulting from this Stage 2 Audit

2.1 PROBLEM

Location - Coventry Road; proposed pedestrian crossing

Summary: Potential slip hazard to pedestrians

There is a metal service cover within Coventry Road that is likely to be in the crossing path of pedestrians using the proposed pedestrian crossing. The metal cover may be a potential slip hazard, particularly in wet or icy conditions.



RECOMMENDATION

Either the pedestrian crossing should be relocated so that the metal cover is not in the crossing path or the cover should be treated with a pedestrian friendly non-slip surface.

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2.2 PROBLEM

Location - Coventry Road; proposed pedestrian crossing

Summary: Potential collisions between vehicles and pedestrians

Inter-visibility between pedestrians at the eastern side of the pedestrian crossing and north bound approaching drivers may be restricted by the low-lying branches of a tree within the eastern verge (the tree also casts a shadow across the carriageway). Poor inter-visibility may lead to potential collisions between vehicles and pedestrians.



RECOMMENDATION

The lower branches of the tree should be removed to ensure that adequate inter-visibility is provided to and from the pedestrian crossing point.

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3. Audit Team Statement

We certify that the terms of reference of the road safety audit are as described in HD 19/15.

Audit Team Leader

Darren Newbold – MSc, BSc (Hons), MCIHT, MSoRSA Highways England Approved RSA Certificate of Competency Senior Engineer, TMS Consultancy

Signed

Date

10th July 2018

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Appendix A

Documents Examined:

- Drawing No. M41246-D100 Rev B
- Drawing No. M41246-D106

Other Information Provided:

- Road Safety Audit Brief
 Site Location Plan (6882/19)
 Correspondence with Warwickshire County Council

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Appendix A



Appendix B

Please refer to the following page for a plan illustrating the locations of the problems identified as part of this audit (location numbers refer to paragraph numbers in the report).

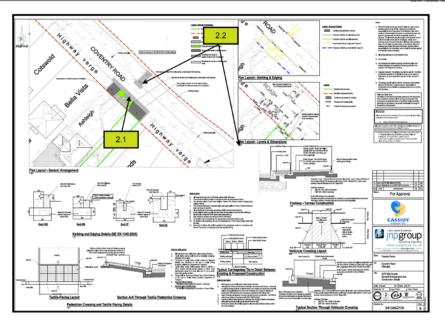


The location of the scheme is shown below

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Appendix B





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Appendix B

(10) Application No: PAP/2018/0477

Copperfields, Dog Lane, Nether Whitacre, B46 2DT

Alteration to previously approved scheme PAP/2018/0058 residential conversion to increase height of building and design, for

Mr & Mrs T Waters

Introduction

The applicant is a member of the Council and thus this application is reported to the Board under the Council's Adopted Scheme of Delegation.

The Site

This is a two storey detached house on the north side of Dog Lane in Nether Whitacre. There are other detached and semi-detached properties fronting both sides of the lane in the vicinity, together with other residential property at the rear. This is all surrounded by open countryside. Within the curtilage there is a detached garage set back from the land and used as a garage, office and utility room. There is a single vehicular access to the whole site off Dog Lane.

The existing layout is illustrated at Appendix A and the existing appearance is at Appendix B.

Background

Planning permission was granted in January 2018 for the "conversion and extension of garage to individual dwelling". The consequential building would have two bedrooms, its own access onto Dog Lane – retaining the existing access – and a new access would be created for Copperfields itself. The approved plans show a 14% increase in volume over the existing building.

In April 2018, this consent was varied so as to enlarge the building. This included a two storey side extension. This involved a 42% increase in volume over the existing building.

The approved plans are at Appendix C.

The Proposals

The current application is for a further increase in volume. The change is to increase the height of the April 2018 consent by 2.5 metres resulting in a height of 7.5 metres, so as to provide additional headroom. This would represent a 70% increase in volume over the existing.

The plans are illustrated at Appendix D.

Development Plan

The Core Strategy 2014 – NW1 (Sustainable Development); NW2 (Settlement Hierarchy), NW3 (Green Belt), NW10 (Development Considerations) and NW12 (Quality of Development)

Saved Policies of the North Warwickshire Local Plan 2006 – ENV12 (Urban Design) and ENV13 (Building Design)

Other Material Planning Considerations

The National Planning Policy Framework 2018 – (the "NPPF")

The Submitted North Warwickshire Local Plan 2018 – LP1 (Sustainable Development); LP2 (Settlement Hierarchy); LP3 (Green Belt) and LP31 (Development Considerations)

Observations

As the site is in the Green Belt, as assessment has to be made of the proposal in respect of the guidance set out in the NPPF. As this proposal is for new built development, the NPPF defines this as inappropriate development and it is thus harmful by definition to the Green Belt. As such there is a presumption of refusal.

Members will know that there are exceptions to this presumption and the relevant one here is whether the extensions are found to be "disproportionate" to the original host dwelling. The starting point is therefore to compare the existing building with that now proposed and to decide whether the extensions are disproportionate. In this case they could well be. In quantitative terms there would be a 70% increase in volume, which is not insubstantial. Moreover the Development Plan – saved policy ENV13 provides a quide of 30% as to the upper level of when an extension might be considered as being disproportionate. This is carried through to the emerging policy in the Submitted Local Plan – policy LP31, but this qualified by pointing out that the setting and design are also important considerations. Qualitatively, the extension results in a different design, appearance and massing, although not out of keeping with the surrounding larger houses. In terms of openness of the Green Belt, then the site is in an existing residential curtilage and is set well back from the road. However the current proposal is substantially taller and has a greater mass. Also it looks like a new building rather than a conversion. When all of these matters are put together it is concluded that the proposals here are disproportionate and thus are for inappropriate development in the Green Belt carrying the presumption of refusal.

This definitional harm carries substantial weight.

Members also have to assess actual Green Belt harm. As indicated above, this is considered to be limited due to the setting and the larger residential properties around the site.

As before it is acknowledged that there is no other harm arising – that is highway, ecological, heritage or residential amenity harm.

Members now have to balance the cumulative level of harm against the considerations put forward by the applicant to support his case. His argument is basically that the last consent did not provide sufficient headroom for the first floor accommodation to fully function. This can only carry limited weight as the matter needed resolution at the very first submission.

The final planning assessment here is very finely balanced. However a planning permission has been granted for a new dwelling here, albeit through conversion and the actual Green Belt harm now likely to be caused remains limited.

Recommendation

That planning permission be **GRANTED** subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Standard Three year condition
- 2. Standard Plan numbers SLA1, 2 and 3 together with the location plan all received on 7 August 2018.
- 3. No development whatsoever in Classes A, B, C and D of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 as amended, or any provision equivalent to these Classes in any statutory instrument revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification, shall commence on site.

REASON

In view of the circumstances of this case and to ensure that the proposal does not further impact on the openness of the Green Belt hereabouts.

4. The new works shall be carried out using facing bricks and roofing tiles to match the existing building.

REASON

In the interests of the amenities of the area and the building concerned.

5. The building shall not be occupied for residential purposes until the car parking and manoeuvring areas have been laid out and made available for use in accordance with the approved plan and such areas shall be permanently retained for the parking and turning of vehicles.

REASON

In the interests of highway safety

Notes

1. The Local Planning Authority has worked with the applicant in a proactive manner through early discussion in order to overcome planning issues and thus complying with the requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Local Government Act 1972 Section 100D, as substituted by the Local Government Act, 2000 Section 97

Planning Application No: PAP/2018/0477

Background Paper No	Author	Nature of Background Paper	Date
1	The Applicant or Agent	Application Forms, Plans and Statement(s)	7/8/18

Note: This list of background papers excludes published documents which may be referred to in the report, such as The Development Plan and Planning Policy Guidance Notes.

A background paper will include any item which the Planning Officer has relied upon in preparing the report and formulating his recommendation. This may include correspondence, reports and documents such as Environmental Impact Assessments or Traffic Impact Assessments.

