

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Planning Control Committee held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices.
Gernon Road, Letchworth Garden City on Thursday, 14th February, 2019 at 7.30 pm

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mike Rice

Councillor Barnard declared that he was substituting for Councillor Mike Rice

2 MINUTES - 13 DECEMBER 2018

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 13th December 2018 would be approved as a true record of the proceedings and be signed by the Chairman at the next meeting as they were unavailable.

3 MINUTES - 16 JANUARY 2019

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 16th January 2019 would be approved as a true record of the proceedings and be signed by the Chairman at the next meeting as they were unavailable.

4 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business notified.

5 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (1) The Chairman announced that if the fire alarm were to sound, it would not be a test so all Members were advised that they would need to leave as quickly as possible by the nearest exit and if there was anyone with mobility issues, they were to alert a member of staff;
- (2) The Chairman announced that Members of the public and the press may use their devices to film/photograph, or do a sound recording of the meeting, but she asked them to not use flash and to disable any beeps or other sound notifications that emitted from their devices. In addition, the Chairman had arranged for the sound at this particular meeting to be recorded;
- (3) The Chairman reminded Members that, in line with the Code of Conduct, any Declarations of Interest needed to be declared immediately prior to the item in question;
 - (3) The Chairman asked that, for the benefit of any members of the public present at the meeting, Officers announce their name and their designation to the meeting when invited to speak.

6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chairman confirmed that the 7 registered speakers and 2 Member Advocates were present.

7 18/01622/FP LAND TO THE EAST OF BEDFORD ROAD AND WEST OF OLD RAMERICK MANOR, BEDFORD ROAD, ICKLEFORD, HERTFORDSHIRE

This application had been withdrawn from the Agenda to allow further negotiations between the Applicant and the Local Planning Authority. The application will be reported to a future meeting of the Planning Control Committee.

8 17/04419/FP LAND SOUTH OF 1A, LOWER GOWER ROAD, ROYSTON, HERTFORDSHIRE SG8 5EA

RESOLVED: That Planning application 17/04419/FP be **AGREED**, subject to the conditions and reasons set out in the report of the Development and Conservation Manager.

9 18/02586/OP 68 LONDON ROAD, BALDOCK, HERTFORDSHIRE SG7 6JL

RESOLVED: That Planning application 18/02586/OP be **REFUSED** Planning Permission, subject to the reasons set out in the report of the Development and Conservation Manager.

10 18/02320/FP LAND TO REAR OF PUTTERIDGE HIGH SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE, PUTTERIDGE ROAD, OFFLEY, HERTFORDSHIRE

RESOLVED: In pursuance of its powers under the above Act and the associated Orders and Regulations, the Council made a **SPLIT DECISION** for the development proposed by you in your application received with sufficient particulars on 24 October 2018:

DEVELOPMENT A – APPROVED

1. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out wholly in accordance with the details specified in the application and supporting approved documents and plans listed above.

REASON: To ensure the development was carried out in accordance with details which form the basis of this grant of permission.

DEVELOPMENT B - REFUSED

1. The amendments to the agreed landscaping scheme, specifically the artificial surface and bunding, would cause unacceptable harm to a registered heritage asset contrary to provisions in Section 16 of National Planning Policy Framework as supported by Policy 19 of North Hertfordshire District Local Plan No.2 with Alterations and Policy HE1 of the emerging Local Plan 2011 - 3031.
2. The application site was located within an area designated in the North Hertfordshire District Local Plan no. 2 - with Alterations proposals map as Green Belt, although not inappropriate development, in the opinion of the Local Planning Authority this planning application to vary the approved landscaping scheme for the sporting facilities approved by appeal reference No. APP/X1925/A/09/2111993 cause demonstrable harm to the openness of the Green Belt and cause harm to the purpose of safeguarding the countryside from encroachment. In the opinion of the Local Planning Authority the applicant had not demonstrated Very Special Circumstances which were sufficient to outweigh the substantial weight that should be given to any harm to the Green Belt that was required under paragraph 144 of the NPPF. The work therefore conflicted with saved Policy 2 'Green Belt' of the North Hertfordshire District Local Plan No. 2 - with Alterations, Policy SP5 'Countryside and Green Belt' and Section 13 'Protecting Green Belt Land' of the NPPF.

11 PLANNING APPEAL DECISIONS

The Senior Planning Officer drew the Member's attention to the following:

- Land off Holwell Road, Pirton, Hertfordshire, SG5 3QU;
- The Station Inn, Station Approach, Knebworth, Hertfordshire, SG3 6AT.

12 PLANNING APPEALS

RESOLVED that the report regarding planning appeals be noted.