

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Planning Control Committee held in the Council Chamber, District Council
Offices, Letchworth Garden City, SG6 3JF
on Thursday, 7th August, 2025 at 7.00 pm

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ruth Brown, Emma Fernandes, Bryony May and Tom Tyson.

Having given due notice, Councillor Jon Clayden substituted for Councillor Brown and Councillor Daniel Allen substituted for Councillor Fernandes.

2 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business notified.

3 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (1) The Chair advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be recorded.
- (2) The Chair drew attention to the item on the agenda front pages regarding Declarations of Interest and 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 Chair clarified matters for the registered speakers.
- (4) The Chair confirmed the procedure for moving to debate on an item.
- (5) The Chair advised that Section 4.8.23(a) of the Constitution applied to the meeting.
- (6) The Chair confirmed the cut off procedure should the meeting proceed at length.

4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chair confirmed that the registered speakers were in attendance.

5 25/00872/FP 1 THE DRIVE, BLACKMORE END, ST ALBANS, HERTFORDSHIRE, AL4 8LE

RESOLVED: That 25/00872/FP be **GRANTED** planning permission subject to the reasons and conditions set out in the report of the Development and Conservation Manager, with the amendment to Condition 7, as follows:

'Condition 7

All ecological measures and/or works shall be carried out in accordance with the details contained in the March 2025 Preliminary Ecological Appraisal as already submitted with the planning application, including integrated bird, bat and bee bricks and hedgehog boxes, and agreed with the local planning authority prior to commencement of the approved development, demonstrating that a biodiversity net gain can be achieved from those measures/works.

Reason: To ensure development is ecologically sensitive and secures biodiversity enhancements in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework. To comply with Policy NE4 of the Local Plan.'

6 25/00309/FP IVY'S COTTAGE, SMITHS END LANE, BARLEY, ROYSTON,
HERTFORDSHIRE, SG8 8LH

RESOLVED: That 25/00309/FP be **GRANTED** planning permission subject to the reasons and conditions set out in the report of the Development and Conservation Manager and the delegation of authority and additional Condition 10 as follows:

- (a) That delegated authority be granted to the Development and Conservation Manager to resolve whether the decision should be subject to a condition relating to archaeology in consultation with the Hertfordshire County Council Archaeologist, and
- (b) 'Condition 10

The dwelling hereby permitted shall incorporate integrated swift bricks which shall be retained thereafter.

Reason: To enhance biodiversity in accordance with the aims of the NPPF and the North Hertfordshire Local Plan Policy NE4.'