# **Decision Notice**

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# Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Location: Land At East Hill, Chatham, Kent, ,

**Proposal:** Outline planning application with some matters reserved (appearance, layout, scale and landscaping) for construction of up to 800 dwellings, primary school, supporting retail space of up to 150sqm and GP surgery with associated road link between North Dane Way and Pear Tree Lane and other road infrastructure, open space and landscaping.

# Notification of Refusal of Outline Planning Permission to Develop Land

Take Notice that the Medway Council in pursuance of its powers under the above Act HAS REFUSED OUTLINE PERMISSION for the development of land as described above in accordance with your application for planning permission received complete on 5 April 2019.

### for the following reason(s):-

1 The proposal constitutes a large scale urban development within the countryside and located on greenfield land, which is not allocated for the proposed use. The application site is located within the rural area but does not essentially require a rural location. The proposal would result in an inappropriate form of development within a locally valued landscape that would harm the character, function and appearance of the countryside, Area of Local Landscape Importance, setting of Capstone Farm Country Park and the rural footpath network. The proposal would result in irreversible loss of important and valued open and green space within this part of Medway. The proposal is contrary to Policies S1, S2, BNE1, BNE2, BNE25, BNE34, L9 and L10 of the Medway Local Plan 2003 and paragraph 127 and 170 of the NPPF

- 2 The proposed quantum of development is considered to be inappropriate for this rural location. The overall scale and layout is an overdevelopment of the site that would result in an intrusive and dominant form of development and visual erosion of this important landscape character setting and countryside location, giving rise to substantial harm to the much valued landscape character of the countryside, Area of Local Landscape Importance, setting of Capstone Farm Country Park and public rights of way. The density and building heights of over 2 storeys set out in the parameter plans would be considered incongruous and out of keeping with the countryside setting. The proposal is contrary to Policies S1, S2, BNE1, BNE2, BNE25, BNE34, L9 and L10 of the Medway Local Plan 2003 and paragraph 127 and 170 of the NPPF
- 3 The proposal would result in a significant impact on residential amenity of properties adjacent to the site, particularly to the occupants of Carlton Crescent. Due to the topography of the land rising sharply from Carlton Crescent to the site any development in this part of the site has the potential to have a significant impact on these residents. The proposal is contrary to Policies S1, S2, BNE1 and BNE2 of the Medway Local Plan 2003 and paragraph 127 and 170 of the NPPF

# Your attention is drawn to the following informative(s) :-

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David Harris Head of Planning Date of Notice 18 March 2021

# TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING (APPEALS) (WRITTEN REPRESENTATIONS) (ENGLAND) (AMENDMENT) (REGULATIONS 2013)

# TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

# Appeals to the Secretary of State

- If you are aggrieved by the decision of your Local Planning Authority to refuse permission for the proposed development or to grant it subject to conditions, then you can appeal to the Secretary of State under section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- If you want to appeal against your Local Planning Authority's decision then you must do so within **12 weeks** from the date of this notice for appeals being decided under the <u>Commercial Appeals Service</u> and **6 months** from the date of this notice for all other **minor and major applications**.
  - However, if an enforcement notice has been served for the same or very similar development within the previous 2 years, the time limit is:
  - **28 days** from the date of the LPA decision if the enforcement notice was served before the decision was made yet not longer than 2 years before the application was made.
  - **28 days** from the date the enforcement notice was served if served on or after the date the decision was made (unless this extends the appeal period beyond 6 months).
  - Appeals must be made using a form which you can obtain from the Planning Inspectorate by contacting Customer Support Team on 0303 444 50 00 or to submit electronically via the Planning Portal at

https://www.planningportal.co.uk/info/200207/appeals/110/making an appeal

### **Commercial Appeals Service**

• This type of appeal proceeds by way of written representations, known as the "Commercial Appeals Service". Third parties will not have the opportunity to make further representations to the Planning Inspectorate on these.

# All other Minor and Major Applications

- The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal, but he will not normally be prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.
- The Secretary of State need not consider an appeal if it seems to him that the Local Planning Authority could not have granted planning permission for the

proposed development or could not have granted it without the conditions they imposed, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of any development order and to any directions given under a development order.

• In practice, the Secretary of State does not refuse to consider appeals solely because the Local Planning Authority based on their decision on a direction given by him.

# Purchase Notes

- If either the Local Planning Authority or the Secretary of State refuses permission to development land or grants it subject to conditions, the owner may claim that he can neither put the land to a reasonably beneficial use in its existing state nor render the land capable of a reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted.
- In these circumstances, the owner may serve a purchase notice on the Council (District Council, London Borough Council or Common Council of the City of London) in whose area the land is situated. This notice will require the Council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part VI of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.