

**Redditch Borough Council
Planning Committee**

**Committee Updates
10th August 2016**

2015/368/S73 Asda Store , Jinnah Road

No Updates

2016/131/OUT Land At Church Road, Church Road

With reference to point 2 of the recommendation, officers have been advised of the reptile survey results to date. There have been no records of reptiles found during the first two of seven surveys that have to be completed. These surveys have been undertaken in optimal conditions.

The residual five surveys have to be undertaken and will be done so during the coming week, therefore the recommendation to Members remains the same.

2016/133/FUL Vauns Oaks, 13 Icknield Street

The application has been withdrawn from this month's agenda. Following the submission of the Preliminary Bat Roost Assessment by Middlemarch Environmental. The assessment has identified that the existing dwelling is a high potential to support roosting bats and recommends at least three dusk emergence and/or dawn re-entry surveys to be undertaken during the bat emergence/re-entry survey season to determine the presence/absence of roosting bats. The application will be brought back to members once this information has been received.

2016/230/CPO Land At Lowan's Hill Farm, Cookridge Close

Conclusion

The new school site will provide the opportunity to create a purpose built First school and community facility in the heart of an existing and new local community. The school is a modern well designed and presented school with excellent facilities in a fully accessible location of Brockhill. The relocation of the school will allow school numbers to accommodate an increasing population and provide a central point for first school catchment in the existing and new 'Brockhill East' development.

The design will positively relate to its surroundings and will encompass sustainable principles and eco standards in its construction and layout which should help improve the well-being of the existing and new pupils of the school.

There are no adverse impacts on the historic environment in terms of the adjacent Lowans Hill Farm (a designated heritage asset), or in fact any adverse impacts on the ecological value of the landscape or protected species in the area.

The provision of the new school will be a positive benefit to the local area and will help increase local employment opportunities and will comply with both saved and emerging local policies in the Borough and for these instances recommend that no objection be raised.