Redditch Borough Council Planning Committee

Committee Updates 23rd November 2022

20/01650/FUL Land Off Far Moor Lane And West Of The A435 Birmingham Road, Far Moor Lane

The following five representations have been received since the publication of the committee report on 14th November.

Two objections from local residents reiterating their previous objections primarily relating to loss of greenfield site, lack of infrastructure to support the site. Loss of wildlife and impact on SSSI.

One further representation from Mappleborough Green Parish Council reiterating objections regarding the consultation process and whether they will receive an official notice of consultation.

An objection by Norman McLeod emailed to the Chairman Redditch Planning Committee, Cllr. Michael Chalk, and cc'd to a number of parties, including the planning officer. This covers the following areas:

- The development be deleterious to the neighbourhood of the Parish of Mappleborough Green.
- o Result in an increased burden on roads, public transport education, health provision, retail outlets (of which there are a two), and would encroach onto the borders of what has been considered to be a protected Green Belt area (with TPOs)
- o Insufficient justification for the development and inadequate data to justify such a development as these were prepared during a period of major lockdowns due to Covid restrictions.
- Negative comments and objections from consultees including County Highways, drainage,
 Natural England, Worcester Wildlife Trust and the Tree officer that have not be adequately addressed.
- o The application should be refused.

It has been requested by Mr McLeod that his statement be read out at the planning committee.

A further representation from Cllr. Maureen Berry (Mappleborough Green Parish Council) seeking clarification on a number of matters.

This includes the noise impact of the proposed foul pumping station, the flood work undertaken, the local bus service and any agreements with the developer, the consultee responses, the consultation process, the double counting of students in relation to housing needs, and a recent statement by Michael Gove regarding housing and the suitability of the proposed developments. A response was submitted to Cllr. Berry on 22nd November.

Further to this response, WRS Noise were contacted on 23rd November to seek further comments regarding this specific matter. They confirmed they have no concerns regarding any potential noise omitting from the proposed station.

All these representations have been uploaded to the public access record for the planning application. All the matters raised are considered to have been sufficiently covered with the main committee report.