Chichester District Council

Planning Committee

Wednesday 04 September 2019

Report of the Director Of Planning and Environment Services

Schedule of Planning Appeals, Court and Policy Matters Between 19-Jul-2019 and 16-Aug-2019

This report updates Planning Committee members on current appeals and other matters. It would be of assistance if specific questions on individual cases could be directed to officers in advance of the meeting.

Note for public viewing via Chichester District Council web site To read each file in detail, including the full appeal decision when it is issued, click on the reference number (NB certain enforcement cases are not open for public inspection, but you will be able to see the key papers via the automatic link to the Planning Inspectorate).

* - Committee level decision.

1. NEW APPEALS (Lodged)

Reference/Procedure	Proposal	
18/00005/CONAGR Sidlesham Parish	Greenwood Group Highleigh Nurseries Highleigh Road Sidlesham Chichester West Sussex PO20 7NR - Appeal	
Case Officer: Sue Payne	against SI/70	
Written Representation		
18/00389/CONCOU Southbourne Parish	1 Green Acre Inlands Road Nutbourne Chichester West Sussex PO18 8RJ - Appeal against SB/117	
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Case Officer: Steven Pattie		
Written Representation		

19/00731/DOM East Wittering and Bracklesham Parish	5 Charlmead, East Wittering, PO20 8DN - Creation of habitable space at first floor level.
Case Officer: Calum Thomas	
Written Representation	
19/01352/DOM Bosham Parish	The Old Town Hall, Bosham Lane, Bosham, PO18 8HY - Construction of an outdoor swimming pool.
Case Officer: Oliver Naish	
Written Representation	

2. DECISIONS MADE

Reference/Procedure	Proposal
15/00018/CONBC Chichester Parish	Wildwood 30 Southgate Chichester West Sussex PO19 1DP - Appeal against CC/143
Case Officer: Shona Archer	
Written Representation	
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Appeal Decision: Appeal succeeds in that the period of compliance is extended – NOTICE UPHELD

Ground (a) appeal and deemed application ... Planning permission reference CC/96/01257/COU (the Permission) includes a condition (condition 8) preventing the use of land at the rear of the premises for any purpose other than as a store/covered yard and store/wc. The main issue in this appeal is the effect of the use of this land as a kitchen without compliance with condition 8 on the living conditions of occupiers of the neighbouring residential property with particular regard to noise and disturbance and cooking odours. ... The Permission is for the change of use of the ground floor from A1 shop to A3 restaurant. Condition 8 of the Permission provides that the store/covered yard and store/wc areas to the rear of the premises as shown on the permitted plans shall be retained for these purposes in perpetuity and shall not be used for any other purpose whatsoever including any additional restaurant seating area'. The reason given for the imposition of this condition is 'in the interests of amenity'. ... I note that the Appellant has always intended to use the area as a kitchen and was not aware of condition 8 but these are not matters that weigh heavily in favour of the appeal. I note that the approved plan the subject of listed building consent Ref. 14/03075 for internal alterations annotates the covered yard area as 'kitchen' but this does not provide planning permission for its use as a kitchen. ... On the basis of the evidence before me I conclude that due to the close proximity of the rear extension to its residential neighbour removal or variation of condition 8 to permit use as a kitchen would cause undue harm to the living conditions of the neighbouring residential property with particular regard to noise and disturbance and cooking odours contrary to the development plan and the Framework. ... If a mechanical ventilation scheme was able to prevent the transmission of noise and vibration between the appeal site and the neighbouring dwellinghouse I consider that the identified harm could be overcome. But there is insufficient evidence before me to enable me to ascertain whether this is a plausible and practical solution. ... For the reasons given above the appeal on ground (a) does not succeed and planning permission is refused on the deemed application ... Ground (f) appeal ... In this case the steps require discontinuance of the use and therefore it seeks to remedy the non-compliance with condition 8 of the Permission.

I consider that no lesser steps would secure compliance with the purpose of the notice. ... I conclude that the requirements of the notice are not excessive and the ground (f) appeal does not succeed. ... **Ground (g) appeal ...** I have balanced competing interests. The private interest of the Appellant in running a business and the public interest in bringing the identified harm to an end without unnecessary delay. The steps required by the notice are not specialist or complex but I recognise the planning necessary to mitigate any adverse impact on customers. I therefore find that six months strikes an appropriate balance and I shall amend the notice accordingly. ... **Formal Decision ...** The appeal is allowed on ground (g) and it is directed that the enforcement notice be varied by the substitution of 6 months as the period for compliance. Subject to this variation the enforcement notice is upheld. Planning permission is refused on the application deemed to have been made under section 177(5) of the 1990 Act as amended.

18/01578/FUL Loxwood Parish Land East Of Lady Lea House Brewhurst Lane Loxwood RH14 0RJ - Demolition of storage outbuilding and erection of detached three bedroom dwelling.

Case Officer: Robert Sims

Written Representation

Appeal Decision: APPEAL DISMISSED

In this respect, whilst I acknowledge that the current building may not be suitable for some forms of commercial operation, the general comments provided by the Appellant with regards to whether the building and land would be attractive for other commercial enterprises is not, in my view, sufficient evidence to demonstrate that the site is no longer required or would be unlikely to be re-used or redeveloped for employment purposes. Furthermore, there is no evidence before me which demonstrates that the current use of the site is unviable. ... Consequently, the proposed development would conflict with Policies 2 and 26 of the Local Plan which seek to safeguard existing employment sites. For the same reasons, the proposal would not accord with the provision of the Framework with regards to supporting a prosperous rural economy. ... Policy 45 of the Local Plan confirms that sustainable development outside of settlement boundaries will only be supported where certain criteria are all met ... this Policy also requires that in such locations proposals would be required to not prejudice other existing viable uses and, for the reasons given above on the first main issue, the proposal would result in the loss of employment land and use of the site. ... Consequently, given that the proposal would prejudice an existing viable use and would be for residential housing where it has not been demonstrated that the proposal would require a countryside setting, the appeal scheme would conflict with Policy 45 of the Local Plan and subsequently would not accord with Policy 2 of the Local Plan. This conflict with the development plan weighs against the appeal scheme. ... the potential benefits of the appeal scheme ... would be outweighed by the significant harm that would result from the loss of employment land and the conflict with the development plan when taken as a whole. ... the proposal could not be considered to be sustainable development in the terms of the Framework or in terms of Policies 2 and 45 of the Local Plan and Policy 2 of the Neighbourhood Plan, for which there is a presumption in favour of.

<u>19/01106/PLD</u>	62 Street End Lane Sidlesham PO20 7RG - Proposed
Sidlesham Parish	lawful development certificate for all or any of those
	operations specified in the attached schedule of proposed
Coso Officery Colding Doddy	works within the site edged red on the location plan
Case Officer: Caitlin Boddy	(TQRQM18256171349316).
Written Representation	

Appeal Decision: APPEAL - NO FURTHER ACTION

Thank you for your Lawful Development Certificate Appeal. The original applicant was Mr J Ayling and the appeal was made in the name of Mr Paul Collins, the right of appeal is given only to the original applicant. As the appeal was not made in the name of the original applicant, we are unable to accept the appeal and we are unable to take any action on it. I am sending a copy of this letter to the local planning authority.

Tangmere Parish West Sussex - Erection of 39 dwellings, open space, landscaping and access road. Case Officer: Steve Harris Written Representation		
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40/00000/EU	Tangmere Parish	
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Appeal Decision: APPEAL WITHDRAWN

We have received a letter from the appellant requesting the above appeal is withdrawn. This has now been completed. I confirm no further action will be taken.

17/00403/CONENG

Westbourne Parish

Land South West Of Racton View Marlpit Lane Hambrook Westbourne West Sussex - Appeal against erection of walls and gates over 1m in height adjacent to the highway. WE/46

Case Officer: Tara Lang

Written Representation

Appeal Decision: APPEAL DISMISSED

The development in this case comprises fencing and an entrance gate, wing walls and piers and raised gravel banks. The Appellant argues that each element of the development is free standing and must be judged individually. I disagree. The development appears as one means of enclosure and in my opinion as a matter of fact and degree comprises a single structure providing an entrance to the site. The Appellant argues that the fencing on either side of the main gates is not adjacent to the highway as the pier walls curve around in front of them and shrubs sit in front of them. The shrubs do not provide a sufficient intervening obstruction to physically obstruct the fencing from the highway. I find as a matter of fact and degree that the enclosure as a whole defines the boundary of the property from the highway (and is perceived as such) and therefore the single means of enclosure is reasonably considered adjacent to a highway. It follows that the 1 metre threshold applies to the development as a whole. This threshold is exceeded and therefore it does not benefit from permitted development rights. ... The design, height and scale of the development is urban and formal in appearance. The solid entrance gate with its prominent fencing and solid wing walls dominates its setting. It is highly prominent from the highway and appears out of keeping with its rural setting. It stands in marked contrast to its agricultural setting and the simpler entrances found elsewhere in the locality. There is no justification before me for such an incongruous urban design. ... I have considered permitted development rights as a fallback position. But the development carried out causes significantly greater harm than any permitted development. ... I conclude as a matter of fact and degree that the development causes undue harm to the character and appearance of its rural setting. It does not accord with relevant policies in the development plan, including policy 45 of the Local Plan, or the Framework. ... I have considered whether the identified harm could be overcome by conditions. I have taken into account the Planning Practice Guidance Landscaping and painting conditions would not overcome the prominence of the structure. ... The Appellant suggests that the development could be landscaped with planting or lowered to 1 metre in height. But landscaping would not remedy the identified harm. The notice does not prevent the exercise of lawful rights nor does it remove permitted development rights.

3. CURRENT APPEALS

Reference/Procedure	Proposal		
17/00061/CONENG Birdham Parish	Land North Of Cowdry Nursery Sidlesham Lane Birdham West Sussex - Appeal against BI/40		
Case Officer: Emma Kierans			
Written Representation			
19/00196/FUL Bosham Parish	By-The-Brook Bosham Lane Bosham PO18 8HG - Demolish 1 no. existing dwelling and erect 2 no. 2 bed dwellings and 1 no. 3 bed dwelling.		
Case Officer: Caitlin Boddy			
Written Representation			
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14/00292/CONBC Chidham & Hambrook Parish	Paddock View Drift Lane Bosham Chichester West Sussex PO18 8PR - Appeal against CH/55		
Case Officer: Shona Archer			
Informal Hearing			
47/00050/51/1			
17/00852/FUL Chidham & Hambrook Parish	Paddock View Drift Lane Bosham Chichester PO18 8PR - Variation of condition 2 from planning permission CH/12/01036/FUL, appeal ref APP/L3815/A/12/2179869. To		
Case Officer: Caitlin Boddy	make the permission permanent.		
Informal Hearing			

17/00374/CONCOM Donnington Parish	Southend Farm Selsey Road Donnington Chichester West Sussex PO20 7PS - Appeal against D/8
Case Officer: Emma Kierans	
Written Representation	
18/03126/FUL Donnington Parish	Louene 34 Birdham Road Donnington PO19 8TD - 1 no. dwelling and associated work.
Case Officer: Robert Sims	
Written Representation	
19/01036/OUT East Wittering And Bracklesham Parish Case Officer: Maria Tomlinson Written Representation	Land To North Of 20 Wessex Avenue East Wittering Chichester West Sussex PO20 8NP - Outline planning application some matters reserved (access) - Erection of 1 no bungalow.
17/02563/DOM Fernhurst Parish	Stedlands Farm Bell Vale Lane Fernhurst GU27 3DJ - Proposed two storey rear extension.
Case Officer: James Gellini	
Written Representation	

17/02564/LBC Fernhurst Parish	Stedlands Farm Bell Vale Lane Fernhurst GU27 3DJ - Proposed two storey rear extension.
Case Officer: James Gellini	
Written Representation	
18/00323/CONHI	West Stoke Farm House Downs Road West Stoke
Funtington Parish	Funtington Chichester West Sussex PO18 9BQ - Appeal against HH/22
Case Officer: Sue Payne	
Written Representation	
18/00402/FUL Funtington Parish	Field West Of Beachlands Nursery Newells Lane West Ashling West Sussex - The use of land for the stationing of caravans for residential purposes, together with the
Case Officer: Caitlin Boddy	formation of hardstanding and utility/dayrooms ancillary to that use.
Public Inquiry	
The Vicars Hall Cathedral Cloisters Chichester PO19 1PX	
18/03255/FUL	Land Adjacent To 71 West Street Selsey Chichester West
Selsey Parish	Sussex PO20 9AG - Erection of 1 no. 2 bed bungalow - resubmission of SY/18/02197/FUL.
Case Officer: James Gellini	
Written Representation	

18/03326/FUL Selsey Parish	17-19 Seal Road Selsey PO20 0HW - Alterations and conversion of main property into 7 no. flats and alterations
Case Officer: Robert Sims	and conversion of the former owners accommodation into a self contained bungalow with associated access, parking, bin and cycle storage.
Written Representation	
47/00040/ELU	
17/02640/FUL Sidlesham Parish	Land At Junction Of Keynor Lane And Selsey Road Sidlesham West Sussex - Change of use of land from
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Case Officer: Claire Coles	purposed by 3 no. gypsy-traveller families, with associated
Case Officer. Claire Coles	utility building, hard standing, widened gateway, landscaping and access.
Informal Hearing	landesaping and decess.
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18/01173/FUL Sidlesham Parish	Land South Of Recreation Grounds At Junction Of Keynor Lane Sidlesham West Sussex - Change of use of land
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Case Officer: Claire Coles	residential purposes by 3 gypsy-traveller families with facilitating development (utility buildings, hard standing, widened gateway, septic tank and landscaping).
Informal Hearing	3 7, 1
18/02692/PLD	62 Street End Lane Sidlesham PO20 7RG - All or any
Sidlesham Parish	development as permitted by Schedule 2 Part 1
	Development within the curtilage of a dwelling house of The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted
Case Officer: Caitlin Boddy	Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended now or in the future).
Written Representation	

Rife Cottage Piggery Hall Lane West Wittering Chichester West Sussex PO20 8PZ - Discharge of condition 3 from planning permission WW/17/02506/DOM - schedule of materials.	
West Sussex PO20 8PZ - Discharge of condition 3 from	
Lumley Mill Lumley Road Southbourne PO10 8AQ - Proposed 1 no. dwelling and garage on foundations of the Old Mill.	
T5) and 1 no. Black Poplar tree (quoted as T1 - northern cree, within Group, G3). All 4 no. trees are subject to SI/86/00938/TPO.	
widths/spreads to 5m and heights down to 15m, sever ivy and remove deadwood on 2 no. Black Poplar trees (T4 and	
35 Chalk Lane Sidlesham Chichester West Sussex PO20 7LW - Fell 1 no. Black Poplar tree (T3). Reduce crown	
Land South Of Telephone Exchange Selsey Road Sidlesham West Sussex - Proposed private stable block and associated hard standing. New access to the highway.	

18/03234/FUL West Wittering Parish	Edelsten Cottage 2 Marine Drive West Wittering PO20 8HE - Demolition of single dwelling house and construction of development comprising 4 no. 2-bed flats, new access
Case Officer: Caitlin Boddy	and associated works.
Written Representation	
17/00333/CONMHC Westbourne Parish	Home Paddock Stables Hambrook Hill North Hambrook West Sussex - Appeal against WE/44
Case Officer: Tara Lang	
Informal Hearing	
18/02003/FUL Westhampnett Parish	Greytiles Claypit Lane Westhampnett PO18 0NU - Demolition of existing garage, construction of additional dwelling and associated works, subdividing plot.
Case Officer: Robert Sims	
Written Representation	

4. VARIATIONS TO SECTION 106 AGREEMENTS

None.

5. CALLED-IN APPLICATIONS

Reference	Proposal	Stage

6. COURT AND OTHER MATTERS

Injunctions		
Site	Breach	Stage
Birdham Gypsy Site	Enforcement Notices upheld	Evidence bundle sent to Barrister for consideration before an application for an Injunction is made to the High Court.

Court Hearings		
Site	Matter	Stage
Breach Avenue, Southbourne	Council's challenge of Inspector's decision letter	Hearing in the Court of Appeal held on 23 rd July 2019. Decision awaited.

Prosecutions		
Site	Breach	Stage

7. POLICY MATTERS