

PLANNING APPLICATIONS WEEKS 14-16 responses

CH/20/00642/FUL Plot C2a and Cb Pond Farm Newells Lane West Ashling

The Parish Council objects to this application on the basis that there is an over-development of the plots on Pond Farm, the development is intrusive in a wildlife corridor, that the site is within a flood zone (low risk), and that the access to the site is by way of a Public Right of Way.

There is concern at the additional traffic which will use the single track country lane which is also a Public Right of Way (Bridleway 3954). This will interfere with the public use of this right of way and destroy its character. The report before you states that the Public Right of Way 'takes precedence over private vehicular traffic' and that it is a 'criminal offence to damage the surface of a PROW'.

The Council is also concerned regarding ecological issues as the development is within a wildlife corridor and therefore the biodiversity of the site must be safeguarded.

Consideration needs to be given to the entire Pond Farm site and its possible overdevelopment within the Chichester Harbour Special Protection Area (SPA). The possibility of further sub-division of these plots cannot be ruled out, effecting creating a business selling/renting to other users. In adjacent parishes these users have proven not to be gypsies/travellers.

New dwellings (including caravans) within 5.6km of the Harbour will have a collective impact on the ecology of the area.

The definition of Travellers/Gypsies seems to be impossible to prove/disprove and as such these applications should be treated as all planning applications are with no 'Special Status'.

We are mindful that in other cases these sites have been objected to with the backing of CDC only to be overturned on appeal.

00780 The Nest 13 The Avenue Hambrook Chidham

The Parish Council has no objection to this planning application but would comment as follows:

- The roof lights must have integral blinds fitted to avoid light spillage.

00904 Long Acres Drift Lane Chidham

The Parish Council has no objection to this planning application but would comment as follows:

- Query on the maximum number of horses on site at any one time. Can this be restricted to so many per acre?
- the hard standing needs to have sufficient drainage to land drains
- Query re sufficient space for access for horse boxes.

WSSC/020/20 Chidham Parochial Primary School

The Parish Council supports this application but is concerned at the disruption to school traffic during construction. Lorries up and down this narrow lane would impact on current overwhelming congestion during school start/finish times. We would strongly suggest that this is carried out in school holidays.