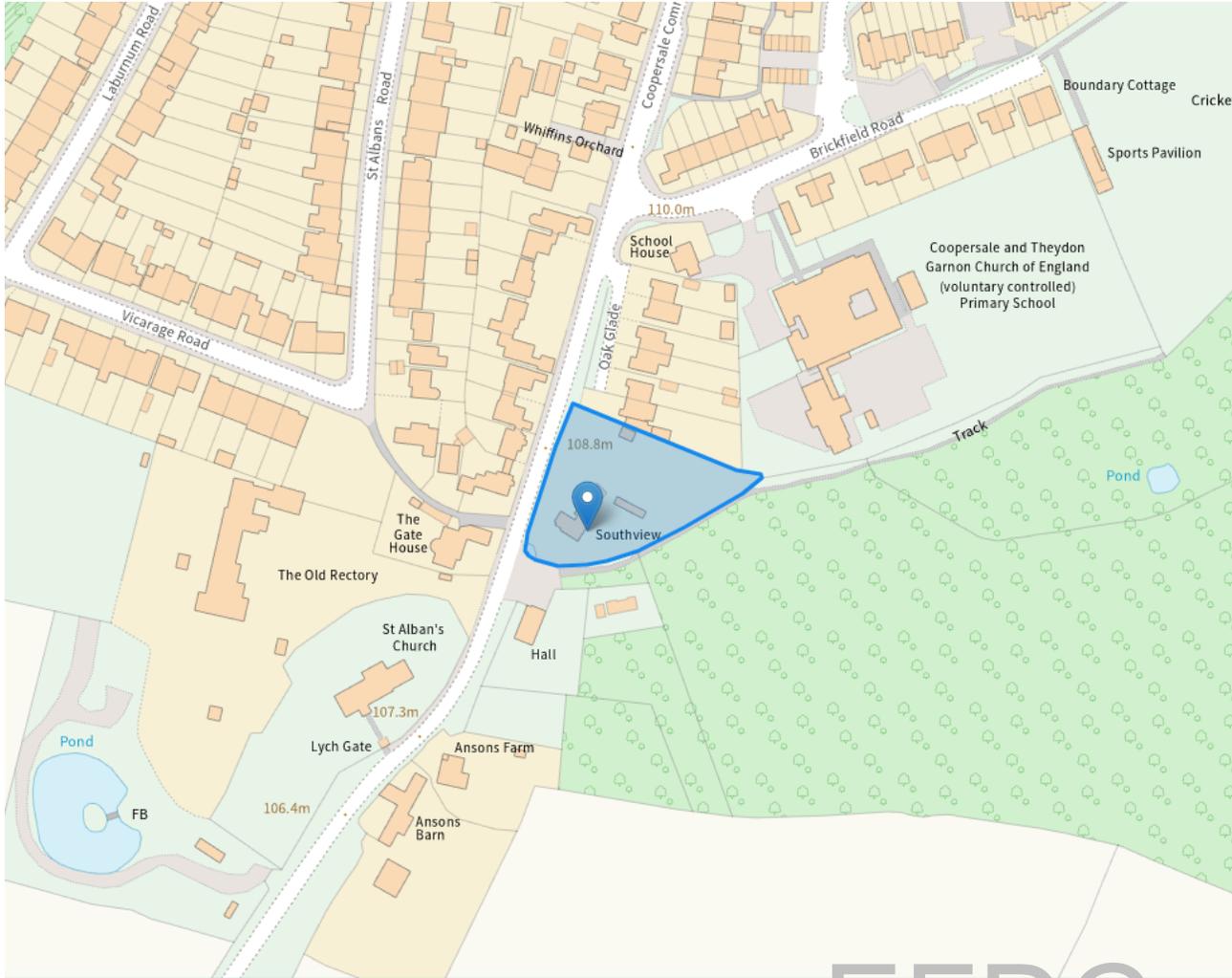




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Application Number:	EPF/0045/22
Site Name:	Southview Coopersale Common Coopersale, CM16 7QT

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# OFFICER REPORT

**Application Ref:** EPF/0045/22  
**Application Type:** Full planning permission  
**Applicant:** Carlton House Holdings  
**Case Officer:** Ian Ansell  
**Site Address:** Southview  
Coopersale Common  
Coopersale  
Epping  
CM16 7QT

**Proposal:** The demolition of the existing dwelling and extensive outbuildings and the erection of three new detached traditional brick-built dwellings.

**Ward:** Epping Hemnall  
**Parish:** Epping  
**View Plans:** <https://eppingforestdcpr.force.com/pr/s/planning-application/a0h8d000000NxyU>  
**Recommendation:** Approve with Conditions

*This application is before this Committee since the recommendation is for approval contrary to an objection from a Local Council and at least one non-councillor resident, on planning grounds material to the application (Pursuant to The Constitution, Part 3: Scheme of Delegation to Officers from Full Council)).*

## **Description of Site:**

The application site comprises around 0.25ha located on the east side of Coopersale Common and marking the southern edge of the Coopersale settlement. The existing dwelling, a two storey chalet style building, lies towards the southern end of the site where the existing vehicle access is located.

The area to the north comprises a mix of residential buildings. The southern boundary of the site marks the boundary with the Green Belt and the local footpath network abuts. Immediately south lies St Albans Church Hall and its adjacent car park.

## **Description of Proposal:**

The application proposes demolition of the existing buildings and replacement with three detached houses. Two full two storey dwellings to the northern end are of similar design and handed, and each comprise of five bedrooms. The southern plot comprises a smaller two bedroom dwelling with the upper floor set within the roofscape.

The two larger dwellings are provided with double garages on the frontages, plot 1 will be served by a new vehicle access from Coopersale Common and plots 2 and 3 by the existing access.

The application is supported by a number of reports including Contaminated Land Assessment, Arboricultural Impact Assessment, Preliminary Ecological Assessment and Sustainability Statement.

## **Relevant History:**

EPF/2326/18 – demolition of existing and erection of nine dwellings - refused

## **Policies Applied:**

### *Adopted Local Plan:*

Section 38(6) Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires that planning applications should be determined in accordance with the development plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise. The Development Plan currently comprises the Epping Forest District Council Adopted Local Plan (1998) and Alterations (2006).

The following policies within the current Development Plan are considered to be of relevance to this application:

CP1	Achieving sustainable development objectives
CP2	Protecting the quality of the rural and built environment
CP7	Urban form and quality
NC1	SPA's, SAC's and SSSI's
NC4	Protection of established habitat
RP4	Contaminated land
U3B	Sustainable Drainage Systems
DBE1	Design of new buildings
DBE2	Effect on neighbouring properties
DBE3	Design in urban areas
DBE8	Private amenity space
DBE9	Loss of Amenity
LL3	Edge of settlement
LL10	Adequacy of provision for landscape retention
LL11	Landscaping schemes
ST1	Location of development
ST2	Accessibility of development
ST6	Vehicle parking

### *NPPF (July 2021):*

The revised NPPF is a material consideration in determining planning applications. As with its predecessor, the presumption in favour of sustainable development remains at the heart of the NPPF. Paragraph 11 of the NPPF provides that for determining planning applications this means either; (a) approving development proposals that accord with an up-to-date development plan without delay; or (b) where there are no relevant development plan policies, or the policies which are most important for determining the application are out-of-date, granting permission unless:

- i. the application of policies in the NPPF that protect areas or assets of particular importance provides a clear reason for refusing the development proposed; or
- ii. any adverse impacts of doing so would significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits, when assessed against the policies in the NPPF taken as a whole

The presumption in favour of sustainable development does not change the statutory status of the development plan as the starting point for decision making, but policies within the development plan need to be considered and applied in terms of their degree of consistency with the Framework.

In addition to paragraph 11, the following paragraphs of the NPPF are considered to be of relevance to this application:

- 2 Achieving sustainable development – paragraphs 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
- 5 Delivering sufficient supply of homes – paragraphs 60, 66, 69, 74, 75, 79
- 8 Promoting healthy and safe communities – paragraphs 92, 97
- 9 Providing sustainable transport – paragraphs 104, 107, 108, 110, 111, 112
- 11 Making effective use of land – paragraphs 119, 122, 123, 124
- 12 Achieving well designed places – paragraphs 126, 127, 130, 131, 132, 135

- 14 Meeting the challenge of climate change, flooding and coastal change – paragraphs 154, 159 – 169
- 15 Conserving and enhancing the natural environment – paragraphs 174, 175, 179 - 182, 183, 185, 186
- 16 Conserving and enhancing the historic environment – paragraphs 194, 195, 197, 199 – 205, 208

*Epping Forest District Local Plan (Submission Version) 2017:*

On 14 December 2017, the Council resolved to approve the Epping Forest District Local Plan (2011-2033) – Submission Version ("LPSV") for submission to the Secretary of State and the Council also resolved that the LPSV be endorsed as a material consideration to be used in the determination of planning applications.

The Council submitted the LPSV for independent examination on 21 September 2018. The Inspector appointed to examine the LPSV ("the Local Plan Inspector") held examination hearings between 12 February and 11 June 2019. As part of the examination process, the Council has asked the Local Plan inspector to recommend modifications of the LPSV to enable its adoption.

During the examination hearings, a number of proposed Main Modifications of the LPSV were 'agreed' with the Inspector on the basis that they would be subject to public consultation in due course. Following completion of the hearings, in a letter dated 2 August 2019, the Inspector provided the Council with advice on the soundness and legal compliance of the LPSV ("the Inspector's Advice"). In that letter, the Inspector concluded that, at this stage, further Main Modifications (MMs) of the emerging Local Plan are required to enable its adoption and that, in some cases, additional work will need to be done by the Council to establish the precise form of the MMs.

Although the LPSV does not yet form part of the statutory development plan, when determining planning applications, the Council must have regard to the LPSV as material to the application under consideration. In accordance with paragraph 48 of the Framework, the LPAs "may give weight to relevant policies in emerging plans according to:

- a) The stage of preparation of the emerging plan (the more advanced the preparation, the greater the weight that may be given);
- b) The extent to which there are unresolved objections to relevant policies (the less significant the unresolved objections, the greater the weight that may be given); and
- c) The degree of consistency of the relevant policies in the emerging plan to the policies in the NPPF (the closer the policies in the emerging plan to the policies in the NPPF, the greater the weight that may be given)."

Footnote 22 to paragraph 48 of the NPPF explains that where an emerging Local Plan is being examined under the transitional arrangements (set out in paragraph 214), as is the case for the LPSV, consistency should be tested against the previous version of the Framework published in March 2012.

As the preparation of the emerging Local Plan has reached a very advanced stage, subject to the Inspector's Advice regarding the need for additional MMs, significant weight should be accorded to LPSV policies in accordance with paragraph 48 of Framework.

The following policies in the LPSV are considered to be of relevance to the determination of this application, with the advanced stage of the LPSV, all policies should be afforded significant weight:

No.	POLICY
SP1	Presumption in favour of sustainable development
SP2	Spatial Development Strategy
SP7	The Natural Environment, landscape character and green infrastructure
T1	Sustainable transport choices
DM1	Habitat protection and improving biodiversity
DM2	Epping Forest SAC and Lee Valley SPA
DM3	Landscape Character, Ancient Landscapes and Geodiversity
DM5	Green and Blue Infrastructure
DM9	High Quality Design
DM10	Housing design and quality
DM15	Managing and reducing flood risk
DM16	Sustainable Drainage Systems
DM19	Sustainable water use
DM21	Local environmental impacts, pollution and land contamination
DM22	Air quality

### **Consultation Carried Out and Summary of Representations Received**

Date of site visit: 20 June 2022  
Number of neighbours consulted: 13  
Site notice posted: No, not required  
Responses received: Comments have been received from four neighbours.

Residents at 5 and 6 OAK GLADE, and 102 COOPERSALE COMMON have objected, raising the following issues:

- over intensive development on the plot
- impact on character of the village from the loss of the hedgerow for vehicle access
- amenity issues – loss of light and privacy, general physical impact
- highway safety issues with new access, including absence of a waiting area for vehicles entering the site.
- impact on general natural environment
- infrastructure capacity
- quality of information in the application

Resident at ANSONS BARN HOUBLON HILL has supported the application, commenting that there is nothing detrimental about the proposal.

Parish Council: Epping Town Council objected to the amended application, commenting as under:

*Whilst Committee note the further revisions, these revisions have not addressed Committee's previous concerns.*

*In addition, the design of this new proposal is not appropriate to the streetscene and within this rural village setting. The Committee also agree that the replacement of a family house which has become delapidated should be like for like with the existing dwelling and not be three family dwellings to replace one family dwelling on this site.*

*The proposal is a vast overdevelopment of the site in terms of its size and density, which would result in a loss of amenity for neighbouring properties in terms of overlooking, visual impact and dominance.*

*Coopersale is a rural village which has already seen major development on the former allotment site and the village infrastructure cannot cope with any more multiple development. The proposal to erect additional homes on this site would adversely affect the character of the surrounding area and have a detrimental effect on the street scene, as the large hedgerow that would be lost as part of the development is a key visual feature on the approach into this rural village. The site also abuts Green Belt land and the Essex Way and the prominence of this proposal would adversely affect these key green spaces and natural wildlife habitats.*

*The proposal would have an extremely detrimental effect on Highway safety, as the entrance would be located on a very dangerous bend where traffic approaches at speed and where there is no adequate pavement. This development would attract many additional vehicles, accessing the site on a regular basis. The access to this site cannot accommodate such an increase in vehicular movement and would result in harm to the existing area, through which the new traffic would move, including the neighbouring church hall. This would be extremely heightened during the period of construction.*

### **Main Issues and Considerations:**

The site lies in something of a unique location, being on the edge of a village which has many of the attributes of an urban settlement in its street pattern and intensity of development while adjoining the Green Belt and the much sparser form of street fronting ribbon development to the south.

Notwithstanding the differences between the two, the site lies clearly within the settlement and should be considered primarily in this context. As such, this site should be considered as an under-utilised parcel of land within the built up area. The existing building has little design merit and is not worthy of protection. Thus, the principle of a residential redevelopment is acceptable.

The site is constrained by its relationship with the adjacent landscape as well as its unusual shape. Land to the south and east includes ancient woodland and a SSSI forming part of Gernon Bushes, and hedgerows run around three boundaries. As a result of discussions, the application has evolved from the original submission to place a greater emphasis on broader landscape retention, and to introduce new planting to improve the buffer between the protected landscape and built development. New tree and wildflower planting is proposed to the rear to strengthen the buffer, and new tree planting to the side boundaries of the larger plots and frontages will soften the development and add visual separation.

In this context, the overall scale of proposed development is appropriate to the location. Even with the buffer to the rear, dwellings sit within spacious plots with usable garden areas (the smallest usable garden area to the two bedroom dwelling is around 80 sq.m in area), and have adequate off street parking. The larger buildings are two storeys in height and are set back from the road in order to reduce their impact on the street scene. The tallest part is in the front gable section with the remainder being made up of pitched roofs which fall swiftly away. The applicants have submitted comparative elevations to indicate the buildings are of similar height to the existing neighbouring houses. The smaller dwelling on plot 3 steps down in height, reflecting the falling levels in the road, and better to manage the transition to the adjoining hall. The screening provided by the hedge further reduces impact on the character and street scene. In an area of mixed built forms and plots, the development is not considered to be out of character with the immediate surrounding area, nor over intensive.

In terms of neighbour amenities, the revisions since the application was first consulted have had regard to the relationship in particular with the adjoining property to the north such that the depth of the building abutting has been reduced, the terrace has been moved a minimum of 10m from the common boundary and additional boundary screening introduced. As result, direct harm in terms of overshadowing and visual dominance has been minimised. Reduction in the height of the garages on the frontage of plots 1 and 2 further lessen the visual impact of the development.

Two of the dwellings will be served by the existing site access at the southern end which lies off the main carriageway. A new access is required to serve the northern most dwelling. There is a narrow

highway verge extending along the site frontage which with alterations to the edge will allow visibility splays for vehicles existing the site to be achieved, and there is sufficient space within the plot for vehicles to turn and exit in forward gear (an opportunity not afforded to most properties in the vicinity including those directly opposite the site). The Highway Authority have not objected to the proposed access and subject to conditions this aspect can be adequately dealt with in detailed design.

The site lies outside of 3km but within 6km of the EFSAC area. The development proposes a net increase in residential development and attracts contributions in terms of recreational pressure and air quality impact as a result. The applicants have agreed to meet these obligations in full accordance with the relevant mitigation strategies and a draft Unilateral Undertaking is in place to deal with this. In light of this, an Appropriate Assessment has been undertaken as under:

### **Assessment under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended)**

*A significant proportion of the Epping Forest Special Area of Conservation (the EFSAC) lies within the Epping Forest District Council administrative area. The Council has a duty under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended) (the Habitats Regulations) to assess whether the development would have an adverse effect on the integrity of the EFSAC. In doing so the assessment is required to be undertaken having considered the development proposal both alone and in combination with other Plans and Projects, including with development proposed within the Epping Forest Local Plan Submission Version (LPSV).*

*The Council published a Habitats Regulations Assessment in January 2019 (the HRA 2019) to support the examination of the LPSV. The screening stage of the HRA 2019 concluded that there are two Pathways of Impact whereby development within Epping Forest District is likely to result in significant effects on the EFSAC. The Pathways of Impact are effects of urbanisation with a particular focus on disturbance from recreational activities arising from new residents (residential development only) and atmospheric pollution as a result of increased traffic using roads through the EFSAC (all development). Whilst it is noted that the independent Inspector appointed to examine the LPSV, in her letter dated 2 August 2019, raised some concerns regarding the robustness of elements of the methodology underpinning the appropriate assessment of the LPSV, no issues were identified in relating to the screening of the LPSV or the Pathways of Impact identified. Consequently the Council, as Competent Authority under the Habitats Regulations, is satisfied that the Impact Pathways to be assessed in relation to this application pertinent to the likely significant effects of development on the EFSAC alone and in-combination with other plans and projects are:*

- 1. Recreation activities arising from new residents (recreational pressures); and*
- 2. Atmospheric pollution as a result of increased traffic using roads through the EFSAC.*

### **Stage 1: Screening Assessment**

*This application has been screened in relation to both the recreational pressures and atmospheric pollution Pathways of Impact and concludes as follows:*

- 1. The site lies within the 3km - 6.2 km Zone of Influence as identified in the Interim Approach to Managing Recreational Pressure on the Epping Forest Special Area of Conservation' (the Interim Approach) adopted by the Council on 18 October 2018 as a material consideration in the determination of planning applications. Consequently the development would result in a likely significant effect on the integrity of the EFSAC as a result of recreational pressures.*
- 2. The development has the potential to result in a net increase in traffic using roads through the EFSAC.*

*Consequently, the application proposal would result in a likely significant effect on the integrity of the EFSAC in relation to both the recreational pressures and atmospheric pollution Pathways of Impact.*

*Having undertaken this first stage screening assessment and reached this conclusion there is a requirement to undertake an 'Appropriate Assessment' of the application proposal in relation to both the recreational pressures and atmospheric pollution Pathways of Impact.*

## **Stage 2: 'Appropriate Assessment'**

### Recreational Pressures

*The application proposal has the potential to increase recreational pressures on the EFSAC. However, the Council, through the development of the Interim Approach, has provided a strategic, district wide approach to mitigating recreational pressures on the EFSAC through the securing of financial contributions for access management schemes and monitoring proposals. Consequently, this application can be assessed within the context of the Interim Approach. In doing so the Council has sought to take a proportionate approach to the securing of such financial contributions, and currently only seeks these from proposals for new homes within 3km of the EFSAC. As the application proposal lies more than 3km from the boundary of the EFSAC there is a requirement to make a lower scale financial contribution as set out in the Mitigation Strategy.*

### Atmospheric Pollution

*The application proposal has the potential to result in a net increase in traffic using roads through the EFSAC. However, the Council, through the development of an Interim Air Pollution Mitigation Strategy (IAPMS), has provided a strategic, district wide approach to mitigating air quality impacts on the EFSAC through the imposition of planning conditions and securing of financial contributions for the implementation of strategic mitigation measures and monitoring activities. Consequently, this application can be assessed within the context of the IAPMS. The applicant has agreed to make a financial contribution in accordance with the IAPMS. In addition the application will be subject to planning conditions to secure measures as identified in the IAPMS. Consequently, the Council is satisfied that the application proposal would not have an adverse impact on the integrity of the EFSAC subject to the satisfactory completion of a Section 106 planning obligation and the imposition of relevant planning conditions.*

### **Appropriate Assessment Conclusions:**

*The Council is satisfied that, subject to the satisfactory completion of a Section 106 planning obligation and the imposition of relevant planning conditions as set out above, the application proposal would not have an adverse effect on the integrity of the EFSAC.*

### **Conclusion:**

Following amendments which address many of the issue raised in the consultation responses, officers consider the level and form of development now proposed to be appropriate to the site located within (albeit on the edge) of the recognised settlement. The properties have been designed to a similar scale as the overall local character of the surrounding properties, and are sited in order to minimise potential impact on immediate neighbours.

The location of the site abutting a protected landscape requires conditions to be placed to protect the wider setting, and the new access will need to be the subject of detailed design development. However, officers are sati

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**Conditions: (20)**

- 1 The development hereby permitted shall begin not later than three years from the date of this decision.

Reason: To comply with the requirements of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

- 2 The development hereby permitted shall be carried out and retained strictly in accordance with the following approved plans: 280/07 (02) - 001, 003, 004, 006, 008, 009, 012A, 013A, 014A, 015C, 016A, 017B, 018B, 025A, 026A, 027A, 028A, 029A, 035A, 036A, 037A, 038A, 039A, 040A, 045, 046, 047, 048, 049, 058A, 059A, and 100, and SJG3472

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt and to ensure the proposal is built in accordance with the approved plans.

- 3 A) No work on any phase of the development (with the exception of demolition works where this is for the reason of making areas of the site available for site investigation), shall commence until an assessment of the risks posed by any contamination within that phase shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. This assessment must be undertaken by a suitably qualified contaminated land practitioner, in accordance with British Standard BS 10175: Investigation of Potentially Contaminated Sites - Code of Practice and the Environment Agency's Guidelines for the Land Contamination: Risk Management (LCRM 2020) (or equivalent if replaced), and shall assess any contamination on the site, whether or not it originates on the site. The development shall only be carried out in accordance with the approved details unless the Local Planning Authority gives its written consent to any variation. The assessment shall include: (1) A survey of the extent, scale and nature of contamination and (2) An assessment of the potential risks to: human health; property (existing or proposed) including buildings, crops, livestock, pets, woodland, service lines and pipes; adjoining land; groundwater and surface waters; ecological systems; and archaeological sites and ancient monuments.

B) If following the risk assessment unacceptable risks are identified from land affected by contamination in that phase, no work on any phase of the development shall take place, until a detailed land remediation scheme has been completed. The scheme will be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The scheme shall include an appraisal of remediation options, identification of the preferred option(s), the proposed remediation objectives and remediation criteria, and a description and programme of the works to be undertaken including the verification plan. (The remediation scheme shall be sufficiently detailed and thorough to ensure that after remediation, as a minimum, land should not be capable of being determined as contaminated land under Part IIA of the Environmental Protection Act 1990). The development shall only be carried out in accordance with the approved scheme. Following the completion of the remediation works and prior to the first occupation of the

development, a verification report by a suitably qualified contaminated land practitioner shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority.

Reason: To ensure that risks from land contamination to the future users of the land and neighbouring land are minimised, together with those to controlled waters, property and ecological systems, and to ensure that the development can be carried out safely without unacceptable risks to workers, neighbours and other offsite receptors in accordance with policy RP4 of the adopted Local Plan 1998 & 2006, and policy DM21 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 4 Prior to preliminary ground works taking place, details of surface water disposal shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be implemented in accordance with the approved details and shall be provided on site prior to the first occupation and shall be retained for the lifetime of the development.

Reason: To ensure satisfactory provision and disposal of surface water in the interests of Land Drainage, in accordance with policy RP3 of the adopted Local Plan and Alterations 1998 & 2006, policies DM16 and DM18 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 5 No development, including works of demolition or site clearance, shall take place until a Tree Protection Plan, Arboricultural Method Statement and site monitoring schedule in accordance with BS:5837:2012 (Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations) has been submitted to the Local Planning Authority and approved in writing. The development shall be carried out only in accordance with the approved documents.

Reason: To comply with the duties indicated in Section 197 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, and to enable full and proper consideration be given to the impact of the proposed development on existing trees / hedges, so as to safeguard and enhance the visual amenities of the area and to ensure a satisfactory appearance to the development in accordance with policy LL10 of the adopted Local Plan and Alterations 1998 & 2006, policies DM3 and DM5 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 6 Prior to any above groundworks, a strategy to facilitate super-fast broadband for future occupants of the site shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority (LPA). The strategy shall seek to ensure that upon occupation of a dwelling, either a landline or ducting to facilitate the provision of a broadband service to that dwelling from a site-wide network, is in place and provided as part of the initial highway works and in the construction of frontage thresholds to dwellings that abut the highway, unless evidence is put forward and agreed in writing by the LPA that technological advances for the provision of a broadband service for the majority of potential customers will no longer necessitate below ground infrastructure. The development of the site shall be carried out in accordance with the approved strategy.

Reason: To ensure the development contributes to supporting improved digital connectivity throughout the District and supports the wider aims and objectives for reducing car-led air pollution, improving the health and wellbeing of residents and visitors including the EFSAC, in accordance with policy CP1 of the adopted Local Plan 1998 & 2006, Policies D5, DM2, DM9, DM10 & DM22 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 7 Prior to any above ground works, documentary and photographic details of the type and colours of the external finishes of the development have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To ensure a satisfactory appearance in the interests of visual amenity, in accordance with policy DBE1 of the adopted Local Plan and Alterations 1998 & 2006, policy DM9 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 8 Prior to any above ground works, full details of both hard and soft landscape works (including tree planting) and implementation programme (linked to the development schedule) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. All hard and soft landscape works shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details. The works shall be carried out prior to the occupation of the building or completion of the development, whichever is the sooner. The hard landscaping details shall include, as appropriate, and in addition to details of existing features to be retained: proposed finished levels or contours; means of enclosure; car parking layouts; other minor artefacts and structures, including signs and lighting and functional services above and below ground. The details of soft landscape works shall include plans for planting or establishment by any means and full written specifications and schedules of plants, including species, plant sizes and proposed numbers /densities where appropriate. If within a period of five years from the date of the planting or establishment of any tree, or shrub or plant, that tree, shrub, or plant or any replacement is removed, uprooted or destroyed or dies or becomes seriously damaged or defective another tree or shrub, or plant of the same species and size as that originally planted shall be planted at the same place.

Reason: To comply with the duties indicated in Section 197 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 so as to ensure that the details of the development of the landscaping are complementary, and to ensure a satisfactory appearance to the development, in accordance with policies CP2 and LL11 of the adopted Local Plan and Alterations 1998 & 2006, policies DM3 and DM5 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 9 Prior to first occupation of the development, a scheme to enhance the ecological value of the site shall be submitted to and agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The ecological value shall be quantified using the Biodiversity Impact Assessment Calculator (BIAC) where appropriate. The scheme shall be implemented in full prior to the occupation of the development hereby approved.

Reason: To maintain and improve the biodiversity of the site and to mitigate any impact from the development hereby approved, in accordance with policy DM1 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 10 Prior to the commencement of development other than groundworks, details of the design of the vehicle access to Plot 1 including visibility splays shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority. All works shall be fully implemented prior to first occupation of the dwelling.

Reason: To ensure that adequate vehicular access is provided to serve the development, in accordance with policies ST2 and ST7 of the adopted Local Plan and Alterations 1998 & 2006, policies T1 and DM9 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 11 No deliveries, external running of plant and equipment or demolition and construction works, other than internal works not audible outside the site boundary, shall take place on the site other than between the hours of 07:30 to 18:00 on Monday to Friday and 08:00 to 13:00 on Saturday and not at all on Sundays, Public or Bank Holidays.

Reason: To ensure that the proposed construction work does not cause undue nuisance and disturbance to neighbouring properties at unreasonable hours and in accordance with policies RP5A and DBE9 of the adopted Local Plan 1998 & 2006, and policies DM9 and DM 21 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 12 All construction traffic and contractor vehicles shall enter and exit the site from the existing vehicle access.

Reason: In the interests of highway safety, in accordance with policy ST4 of the adopted Local Plan and Alterations 1998 & 2006, policy T1 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 13 Wheel washing or other cleaning facilities for vehicles leaving the site during construction works shall be installed and utilised to clean vehicles immediately before leaving the site. Any mud or other material deposited on nearby roads as a result of the development shall be removed.

Reason: To avoid the deposit of material on the public highway in the interests of highway safety, in accordance with policy ST4 of the adopted Local Plan and Alterations 1998 & 2006, policy T1 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 14 All material excavated from the below ground works hereby approved shall be removed from the site.

Reason: In order to ensure that levels are not altered across the site as a result of deposited materials, in the interests of amenity, in accordance with Policies CP2, DBE1 and DBE9 of the adopted Local Plan 1998 & 2006, Policies DM9 & DM21 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 15 If any tree, shrub or hedge shown to be retained in the submitted Arboricultural reports is removed, uprooted or destroyed, dies, or becomes severely damaged or diseased during development activities or within 3 years of the completion of the development, another tree, shrub or hedge of the same size and species shall be planted within 3 months at the same place. If within a period of five years from the date of planting any replacement tree, shrub or hedge is removed, uprooted or destroyed, or dies or becomes seriously damaged or defective another tree, shrub or hedge of the same species and size as that originally planted shall, within 3 months, be planted at the same place.

Reason: To comply with the duties indicated in Section 197 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as well as to safeguard the amenity of the existing trees, shrubs or hedges and to

ensure a satisfactory appearance to the development, in accordance with policies LL10 and LL11 of the adopted Local Plan and Alterations 1998 & 2006, and policies DM3 and DM5 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 16 Areas shown on the landscape plan 280/07 (02) 040 A as wildflower and fern meadows shall be protected by a fence, details of which shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority prior to installation. All works shall be completed in accordance with the agreed details prior to first occupation of any of the dwellings hereby approved.

Reason: To comply with the duties indicated in Section 197 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, and to enable full and proper consideration be given to the impact of the proposed development on existing trees / hedges, so as to safeguard and enhance the visual amenities of the area and to ensure a satisfactory appearance to the development in accordance with policy LL10 of the adopted Local Plan and Alterations 1998 & 2006, policies DM3 and DM5 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 17 Prior to first occupation of the development, measures shall be incorporated within the development to ensure a water efficiency standard of 110 litres (or less) per person per day.

Reason: The District is classed as being in an area of severe water stress and the reduction of water use is therefore required in the interests of sustainability and in accordance with policy CP2 of the adopted Local Plan and Alterations 1998 & 2006, policy DM19 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 18 Prior to first occupation of the development hereby approved, 1 Electric Vehicle Charging Point shall be installed within the parking area of each dwelling and retained thereafter for use by the occupants of the site.

Reason: To help support improvements to air quality in accordance with policies T1 and DM22 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 19 Any gates erected on the vehicular access to the Plot 1 shall be set back a minimum of 6 metres from the highway.

Reason: To allow vehicles to stand clear of the carriageway while gates open and in the interests of highway safety, in accordance with policy ST4 of the adopted Local Plan and Alterations 1998 & 2006, policy T1 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

- 20 Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (as amended) (or any other order revoking and re-enacting that order) no development permitted by virtue of Classes A, B, C and E of Part 1 to schedule 2 ] shall be undertaken, without the prior written agreement of the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: The ensure further consideration is given with regards to the effect on the character and appearance of the area and living conditions on adjoining properties , in accordance with policy DBE2 and DBE9 of the adopted Local Plan 1998 & 2006, Policy DM9 and DM10 of the Local Plan Submission Version 2017, and the NPPF.

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- 21 The Local Planning Authority has acted positively and proactively in determining this application by assessing the proposal against all material considerations, including planning policies and any representations that may have been received and subsequently determining to grant planning permission in accordance with the presumption in favour of sustainable development, as set out within the National Planning Policy Framework.
- 22 This permission is also subject to conditions and/or covenants of an accompanying Section 106 Agreement.