

## **West Craven Committee Update Report 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

### **18/0283/FUL - Caravan Site Lower Greenhill Farm, Kelbrook Road**

Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) – No objection subject to conditions for a surface water drainage scheme and a construction phase surface water management plan.

Earby and Salterforth Internal Drainage Board (IDB) - Our current guidelines for any increase in surface water discharge are as follows:-

If the surface water were to be disposed of via a soakaway system, the IDB would have no objection in principle but would advise that the ground conditions in this area may not be suitable for soakaway drainage. It is therefore essential that percolation tests are undertaken to establish if the ground conditions are suitable for soakaway drainage throughout the year.

If surface water is to be directed to a mains sewer system the IDB would again have no objection in principle, providing that the Water Authority are satisfied that the existing system will accept this additional flow.

If the surface water is to be discharged to any watercourse within the Drainage District, Consent from the IDB would be required in addition to Planning Permission, and would be restricted to 1.4 litres per second per hectare.

No obstructions within 7 metres of the edge of a watercourse are permitted without Consent from the IDB.

Should consent be required from the IDB as described above then we would advise that this should be made a condition of any planning decision.

### **Relevant Planning History**

Some applications not relevant to this were included in the history section of the Committee report in error. The relevant history is as follows:

13/87/0859P – Change of use of farm land to caravan site at Lower Greenhill Farm, Salterforth.

13/91/0152P – Erect caravan utility block. Approved 05/91.

13/95/0206P – Form access to Kelbrook Road Field NO 2220. Approved 06/95.

13/95/0338P – Increased use of site up to 23 caravans and 5 mobile homes. Approved 08/95.

13/95/0603P – retain site extension at caravan park and increase use to 23 caravans and 5 mobile homes. Approved 01/96.

13/12/0241P - Full: Extend touring caravan site, reconfigure plot layout and erection of a two storey building. Approved 07/12

13/12/0241C1 - Approval of details reserved by conditions 6, 7 and 8 of 13/12/0241P. Approved 09/12.

13/12/0503P - Full: Removal of conditions 4 and 6 from Planning Permission 13/12/0241P - Approved 21/12/2012.

13/13/0561P - Full: Change of use of land for siting a caravan for permanent warden's accommodation. Approved

13/14/0272P - Full: Change of use of land from agricultural land to caravan park extension for siting 27 static caravans. Approved.

17/0659/FUL - Full: Change of use of land to accommodate 5 static caravan pitches. Approved.

17/0690/FUL - Full: Erection of two storey building comprising office/reception, laundry and storage at ground floor and holiday accommodation at first floor (Retrospective). Approved.

#### Officer Comments

The LLFA have no objection to the development, with their recommended conditions the site can be adequately drained and would not result in unacceptable risks of on-site or off-site flooding. It is necessary for those conditions to be pre-commencement and therefore a formal notice of intent to impose pre-commencement conditions has been served upon the Applicant.

Earby and Salterforth IDB have requested that, a condition be attached to any planning permission requiring consent be obtained from the IDB should it be required. A planning condition cannot specifically require that consent is sought under other legislation. Such a condition would be unnecessary.

The corrections to the relevant planning history do not alter the recommendation.

It is recommended that the approval of the application be delegated to the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Manager subject to the formal agreement of pre-commencement conditions by the Applicant.

#### **RECOMMENDATION: Delegate Grant Consent**

Subject to the following conditions:

1. The development permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of the permission.

Reason: Required to be imposed by Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, as amended by Section 51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

2. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans: GVA/02B240528/001 Rev B, 503 Rev H, 7325/020, 7325/021, 7325 Fig 3 Rev A, 200 Rev B.

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper planning.

3. There shall not be more than 20 touring caravan pitches and 36 static caravans sited within the approved application site and they shall be laid out in accordance with the approved plan 503 Rev H.

Reason: to ensure that the visual impact of the touring caravans is mitigated in the interests of the visual amenity of the area.

4. The caravan pitches shall be occupied for holiday purposes only and shall not be occupied as a person's sole or main place of residence. The operators of the site shall maintain an up-to-date register of the names of all owners of caravans on the site and of their main home addresses and shall make this information available at all reasonable times to the local planning authority.

Reason: In order to ensure proper control of the use of the holiday units and to prevent the establishment of permanent residency.

5. All static caravans shall be finished/painted prior to being brought on to the caravan park in a colour to be first agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority and thereafter maintained in accordance with the approved colour.

Reason: To ensure that the finish of the static caravans is controlled in the interests of the visual amenity of the area.

6. Provision shall be made within the site for the parking of not less than one car per caravan pitch, together with a turning space such that vehicles serving may both enter and leave the site in a forward gear, in accordance with the approved plans. The caravan pitches hereby approved shall not be occupied unless and until the access, parking and turning areas have been laid out, surfaced and made available for use and the parking and turning area shall thereafter remain free from obstruction and available of parking and manoeuvring purposes at all times thereafter.

Reason: In order to ensure satisfactory levels of off street parking are achieved within the site to prevent parking on the county highway to the detriment of highway safety.

7. The use hereby approved site shall not commence unless and until the works to the junction and access road detailed in drawing Nos. 7325/020, 7325/021 have been completed in accordance with a scheme of construction of the site access to be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to the commencement of works to the junction.

Reason: In order to ensure that the final details of the highway works are acceptable before those works commence.

8. The access from the site to Kelbrook Road shall be constructed in accordance with the details specified in the Proposed Site Access Arrangement plan (Drawing No 7325/021 dated 24.7.18) prior to first use of the development hereby approved.

Reason: To enable vehicles to enter and leave the site in a safe manner without causing a hazard to other road users.

9. The use hereby approved site shall not commence unless and until the existing vehicular access to the site from the access road to Bashfield Farm has been physically and permanently closed and thereafter, notwithstanding the provisions of Part 2 classes A and B of the second schedule of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (or any Order revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification), there shall be no vehicular access to the site from the access road to Bashfield Farm.

Reason: The junction of the access road to Bashfield Farm with Kelbrook Road is inadequate to accommodate the nature of traffic that would result from the development.

10. For the full period of construction, facilities shall be available on site for the cleaning of the wheels of vehicles leaving the site and such equipment shall be used as necessary to prevent mud and stones being carried onto the highway. The roads adjacent to the site shall be mechanically swept as required during the full construction period.

Reason: To prevent stones and mud being carried onto the public highway to the detriment of road safety.

11. No caravans shall be sited on the approved application site unless and until a detailed landscaping scheme has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall include the following:

- a. the exact location and species of all existing trees and other planting to be retained;
- b. all proposals for new planting and turfing indicating the location, arrangement, species, sizes, specifications, numbers and planting densities;
- c. an outline specification for ground preparation;
- d. all proposed boundary treatments with supporting elevations and construction details;
- e. all proposed hard landscape elements and pavings, including layout, materials and colours;
- f. the proposed arrangements and specifications for initial establishment maintenance and long-term maintenance of all planted and/or turfed areas.

The approved scheme shall be implemented in its entirety within the first planting season following the commencement of the use of the development. Any tree or other planting that is lost, felled, removed, uprooted, dead, dying or diseased, or is substantially damaged within a period of five years thereafter

shall be replaced with a specimen of similar species and size, during the first available planting season following the date of loss or damage.

Reason: To ensure that the development is adequately landscaped so as to integrate with its surroundings.

12. The development shall be carried out and operated in full accordance with the mitigation and compensation recommendations of the Ecological Impact Assessment dated 13/08/2018. No caravans shall be sited on the approved application site unless and until a scheme for the installation of bat boxes has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The bat boxes shall be installed in accordance with the approved scheme prior to the commencement of the use of the development and maintained thereafter.

Reason: To ensure protection of ecology and wildlife.

13. No external lighting shall be installed within the approved application site unless and until details of the lighting have first been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The details shall include the type, size, wattage, location, intensity and direction of the lighting. Any external lighting shall at all times be in strict accordance with the approved details.

Reason: In order to prevent light pollution causing harm wildlife and the open rural character of the countryside .

14. No development shall commence until final details of the design, based on sustainable drainage principles, and implementation of an appropriate surface water sustainable drainage scheme have been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. Those details shall include, as a minimum:

a) Information about the lifetime of the development, design storm period and intensity (1 in 30 & 1 in 100 year + allowance for climate change see EA advice Flood risk assessments: climate change allowances'), temporary storage facilities, the methods employed to delay and control surface water discharged from the site, and the measures taken to prevent flooding and pollution of the receiving groundwater and/or surface waters, including watercourses, and details of flood levels in AOD;

b) The drainage strategy should demonstrate that post development surface water run-off from the application site will not exceed a maximum rate of 9.1l/s. The scheme shall subsequently be implemented in accordance with the approved details before the development is completed;

c) A site layout plan showing flood water exceedance routes, both on and off site;

d) A timetable for implementation, including phasing as applicable;

e) Details of water quality controls, where applicable.

f) Details of an appropriate management and maintenance plan for the surface water drainage scheme for the lifetime of the development.

The scheme shall be implemented in accordance with the approved details prior to first occupation of any of the approved dwellings, or completion of the development, whichever is the sooner. Thereafter the drainage system shall be retained, managed and maintained in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To ensure that the proposed development can be adequately drained, that there is no flood risk on or off the site resulting from the proposed development, that water quality is not detrimentally impacted by the development proposal and that appropriate maintenance mechanisms are put in place for the lifetime of the development

15. No development shall commence until details of how surface water and pollution prevention will be managed during each construction phase have been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The development shall thereafter be carried out in strict accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To ensure that the construction phase(s) of development does not pose an undue flood risk on site or elsewhere and that any pollution arising from the development as a result of the construction works does not adversely impact on existing or proposed ecological or geomorphic condition of water bodies.

#### **Note**

1. The grant of planning permission will require the applicant to enter into an appropriate legal agreement (Section 278), with Lancashire County Council as Highway Authority prior to the start of any development. For the avoidance of doubt works shall include, but not be exclusive to, the construction of the access to an appropriate standard, radius kerbs, re-location of verge marker posts, and relocation of the highway gully. The widened access should be surfaced with tarmac. The applicant should be advised to contact the county council for further information by telephoning the Development Support Section (Area East) on 0300 123 6780 or by email on [developeras@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:developeras@lancashire.gov.uk), in the first instance to ascertain the details of such an agreement and the information to be provided, quoting the relevant planning application reference number.