

Colne and District Committee Update Report 7th October 2021

20/0865/FUL Dean Street, Trawden

Additional public comments have been received reiterating and expanding on previous objections to the development on the following grounds:

- Privacy impacts on surrounding properties
- Concerns about the adequacy of the proposed drainage, private management and maintenance and management of drainage during construction
- Conservation and landscape impacts
- Congestion and parking
- Buildability
- Lack of public open space and landscaping

Officer Comments

The concerns in relation to conservation and landscape impacts, open space and landscaping, congestion and parking and privacy have been fully addressed in the committee report.

The Lead Local Flood Authority have assessed the drainage and flood risk impacts of the development and have advised that the submitted details of drainage are acceptable to approve the application subject to conditions. The recommended conditions would ensure acceptable final details of drainage, details of drainage provision for the construction phase and acceptable long term management and maintenance arrangements.

The applicant has requested that the landscaping condition is altered to enable the submission of details after the commencement of the development, suggesting that it is altered to require the details to be submitted within three months of the commencement of the development. The applicant has stated that no work done in the first three months would impact on the final landscaping proposals therefore it is not necessary for the condition to be pre-commencement. Taking that into account it is acceptable to revise the condition.

Some minor errors and omissions in the plan numbers condition have also been corrected.

Comments have been made in the Committee report on landscaping which cover the further comments made on this.

Public open space is provided on sites where there is a necessity to provide that. For example that may be where there is a lack of open space in an area and the development is for housing and the occupants require open space to be provided or in instances where public open space is being lost. The application does not bring forward any need to provide open space for the users of the development and the land is not open space so there would be no loss. There is therefore has no legitimate material planning reason to require open space as part of this development.

How a building is built is a matter for building regulations and is not a material planning issue for this development.

Reason for Decision

Section 38 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires that applications be determined in accordance with the development plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise. The proposed development accords with Local Planning Policy and the guidance set out in the Framework, subject to compliance with planning conditions. The development therefore complies with the development plan. There is a positive presumption in favour of approving the development and there are no material reasons to object to the application.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve

Subject to the following conditions:

1. The proposed development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this 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: NN751-PL-101, NN751-PL-201 Rev D, NN751-PL-202, NN751-PL-203 Rev B, NN751-PL-204 Rev B, NN751-PL-205 Rev B, NN751-PL-206, NN751-PL-207 Rev A, NN751-PL-208, NN751-PL-209 Rev A, NN751-PL-210 Rev C, NN751-PL-211 Rev C, NN751-PL-212 Rev A, NN751-PL-213 Rev D, NN751-PL-214 Rev A, NN751-PL-215 Rev A, NN751-PL-216, NN751-PL-218 Rev A, NN751-PL-219 Rev A, NN751-PL-220 Rev A, NN751-PL-221 Rev A, NN751-PL-223, NN751-PL-224.

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

3. Prior to the commencement of above ground works involved in the erection of the external walls of the development hereby approved samples of the materials of the external walls, retaining walls and roofs of the development shall 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 allow the Local Planning Authority to control the external appearance of the development in the interest of visual amenity and to preserve the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

4. Notwithstanding any indication on the submitted plans and application forms, prior to the installation of windows and doors details of the materials, finishes and design and reveals of the windows and doors shall have been submitted to

and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The windows and doors shall be installed and thereafter at all times be maintained in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To ensure a satisfactory appearance to the development and to preserve the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

5. The development shall be carried out in strict accordance with the recommendations of the submitted Extended Phase 1 Habitat Survey & Daytime Bat Survey dates June 2021. Prior to the occupation of the first dwelling a scheme of ecological enhancement shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority and the development shall thereafter be carried out in strict accordance with the approved scheme.

Reason: to ensure the ecology of the site is enhanced and protected species are not harmed by the development.

6. No development shall take place, including any works of demolition, until a construction method statement has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The approved statement shall be adhered to throughout the construction period. It shall provide for:

- i) The parking of vehicles of site operatives and visitors
- ii) The loading and unloading of plant and materials
- iii) The storage of plant and materials used in constructing the development
- iv) The erection and maintenance of security hoarding
- v) Wheel washing facilities
- vi) Measures to control the emission of dust and dirt during construction
- vii) A scheme for recycling/disposing of waste resulting from demolition and construction works
- viii) Details of working hours
- ix) Routing of delivery vehicles to/from site

Reason: In the interest of highway safety and residential amenity.

7. Within 3 months of commencement a scheme for the site access and off-site highway works shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority. The works shall include the following and be implemented prior to the first occupation of any dwelling.
 - a. Skipton Road vehicular crossing to plots
 - b. Upgrade to bus stops on Skipton Road (references NB 2500LAA00178 & SB 2500LAA16002).

Reason: In the interest of highway safety and to ensure acceptable accessibility to essential services and facilities.

8. Within 3 months of commencement details of the proposed arrangements for future management and maintenance of the estate road within the development shall be submitted to and approved by the local planning authority. The streets shall thereafter be maintained in accordance with the approved management and maintenance details until such time as an agreement has been entered into

with the Highway Authority or a private management and maintenance company has been established.

Reason: To ensure that the estate road is acceptably maintained and managed in the interest of highway safety.

9. Within 3 months of commencement full engineering, drainage, street lighting and constructional details to adoptable standards (LCC specification) of the internal estate roads have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall, thereafter, be constructed in accordance with the approved details, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure that the estate road is acceptably constructed in the interest of highway safety.

10. The internal estate roads shall be constructed in accordance with the approved engineering details and to at least base course level prior to first occupation of any dwelling, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure that the estate road is acceptably constructed in the interest of highway safety.

11. Prior to the occupation of each dwelling the driveways and parking areas serving that dwelling shall be constructed in a bound porous material and made available for use and thereafter maintained for that purpose for as long as the development is occupied.

Reason: To ensure adequate car parking provision in the interest of highway safety.

12. Prior to the occupation each dwelling the dwelling shall have a secure cycle storage provided at a ratio of 2 cycle spaces per dwelling.

Reason: To ensure adequate provision for sustainable transport.

13. Prior to the occupation of each dwelling the dwelling shall have an electric vehicle charging point installed. Charge points must have a minimum power rating output of 7kW, be fitted with a universal socket that can charge all types of electric vehicle currently.

Reason: To ensure adequate provision for sustainable transport.

14. Within three months of the commencement of the development a detailed landscaping scheme shall have 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 and to preserve the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

15. The development shall not be commenced unless and until a method statement which sets out in detail the method, standards and timing for the investigation and subsequent remediation of any contamination which may be present on site has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The method statement shall detail how:-

a) an investigation and assessment to identify the types, nature and extent of land contamination affecting the application site together with the risks to receptors and potential for migration within and beyond the site will be carried out by an appropriately qualified geotechnical professional (in accordance with a methodology for investigations and assessments which shall comply with BS 10175:2001) will be carried out and the method of reporting this to the Local Planning Authority; and

b) a comprehensive remediation scheme which shall include an implementation timetable, details of future monitoring and a verification methodology (which shall include a sampling and analysis programme to confirm the adequacy of land decontamination) will be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

All agreed remediation measures shall thereafter be carried out in accordance with the approved implementation timetable under the supervision of a geotechnical professional and shall be completed in full accordance with the agreed measures and timings, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

In addition, prior to commencing construction of any building, the developer shall first submit to and obtain written approval from the Local Planning

Authority a report to confirm that all the agreed remediation measures have been carried out fully in accordance with the agreed details, providing results of the verification programme of post-remediation sampling and monitoring and including future monitoring proposals for the site.

Reason: In order to protect the health of the occupants of the new development and in order to prevent contamination of controlled waters and the environment.

16. The first floor front (west) elevation window of plots 2 and the southmost first floor front (west) elevation window of plot 3 shall at all times be fitted with obscure glazing to at least level 4 or above, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Any replacement glazing shall be of an equal degree or above. The windows shall be hung in such a way as to prevent the effect of the obscure glazing being negated by way of opening.

Reason: To ensure an adequate level of privacy to the adjacent residential property.

17. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 3 and part 1 of the second Schedule of the Town & Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (or any Order revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification), no development as specified in Classes A, B, C, D, E, F & G of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of that Order shall be carried out without express planning permission first being obtained from the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To enable the Local Planning Authority to control any future development on the site in order to safeguard the character and appearance of the Conservation Area and residential amenity.

18. No part of the development shall commence unless and until a Planning Obligation pursuant to section 106 of the Town & Country Planning Act, 1990 (or any subsequent provision equivalent to that section) has been made with the Local Planning Authority. The said obligation shall provide for four affordable dwellings, an education contribution for three secondary school places and an off-site open space contribution.

Reason: To contribute towards the identified need for affordable housing provision in the area, to offset the impact of the development in education services and to ensure adequate public open space provision.

19. The development permitted by this planning permission shall be carried out in accordance with the principles set out within the submitted drainage strategy (July 2021, ref: 20207873, BDI Structural Solutions).

The measures shall be fully implemented prior to first occupation of any dwelling and in accordance with the timing / phasing arrangements embodied within the scheme, or within any other period as may subsequently be agreed, in writing, by the local planning authority.

Reason: To ensure satisfactory sustainable drainage facilities are provided to serve the site.

20. No development shall commence in any phase until a detailed, final surface water sustainable drainage strategy for the site has been submitted to, and approved in writing by, the local planning authority. The detailed sustainable drainage strategy shall be based upon the site-specific flood risk assessment and indicative sustainable drainage strategy submitted and sustainable drainage principles and requirements set out in the National Planning Policy Framework, Planning Practice Guidance and Defra Technical Standards for Sustainable Drainage Systems and no surface water shall be allowed to discharge to the public foul sewer(s), directly or indirectly. Those details shall include, as a minimum:
- a) Sustainable drainage calculations for peak flow control and volume control (1 in 1, 1 in 30 and 1 in 100 + 40% climate change), with allowance for urban creep.
 - b) Final sustainable drainage plans appropriately labelled to include, as a minimum:
 - i. Plan identifying areas contributing to the drainage network, including surface water flows from outside the curtilage as necessary;
 - ii. Sustainable drainage system layout showing all pipe and structure references, dimensions, design levels;
 - iii. Details of all sustainable drainage components, including landscape drawings showing topography and slope gradient as appropriate;
 - iv. Flood water exceedance routes in accordance with Defra Technical Standards for Sustainable Drainage Systems;
 - v. Finished Floor Levels (FFL) in AOD with adjacent ground levels for all sides of each plot to confirm minimum 150mm+ difference for FFL;
 - vi. Details of proposals to collect and mitigate surface water runoff from the development boundary;
 - vii. Measures taken to manage the quality of the surface water runoff to prevent pollution, protects groundwater and surface waters, and delivers suitably clean water to sustainable drainage components;
 - c) Evidence of an assessment of the site conditions to include site investigation and test results to confirm infiltrations rates and groundwater levels in accordance with industry guidance.

The sustainable drainage strategy shall be implemented in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To ensure satisfactory sustainable drainage facilities are provided to serve the site.

21. 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.

Those details shall include for each phase, as a minimum:

a) Measures taken to ensure surface water flows are retained on-site during construction phase(s) and, if surface water flows are to be discharged they are done so at a restricted rate to be agreed with the Lancashire County Council LLFA.

b) Measures taken to prevent siltation and pollutants from the site into any receiving groundwater and/or surface waters, including watercourses, with reference to published guidance.

The development shall be constructed in accordance with the approved details.

Reasons: To ensure the development is served by satisfactory arrangements for the disposal of surface water during each construction phase(s) so it does not pose an undue flood risk on site or elsewhere and to ensure 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.

22. No building on any phase (or within an agreed implementation schedule) of the development hereby permitted shall be occupied until a Verification Report and Operation and Maintenance Plan for the lifetime of the development, pertaining to the surface water drainage system and prepared by a suitably competent person, has been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority.

The Verification Report must demonstrate that the sustainable drainage system has been constructed as per the agreed scheme (or detail any minor variations), and contain information and evidence (including photographs) of details and locations (including national grid reference) of inlets, outlets and control structures; landscape plans; full as built drawings; information pertinent to the installation of those items identified on the critical drainage assets drawing; and, the submission of an final 'operation and maintenance manual' for the sustainable drainage scheme as constructed.

Details of appropriate operational, maintenance and access requirements for each sustainable drainage component are to be provided, with reference to published guidance, through an appropriate Operation and Maintenance Plan for the lifetime of the development as constructed. This shall include arrangements for adoption by an appropriate public body or statutory undertaker, and/or management and maintenance by a Management Company and any means of access for maintenance and easements, where applicable. Thereafter the drainage system shall be retained, managed and maintained in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To ensure that flood risks from development to the future users of the land and neighbouring land are minimised, together with those risks to controlled waters, property and ecological systems.

21/0583/FUL Whitewalls Drive, Colne

Amended plans have been received and additional information which addresses the outstanding issues raised in the report as follows:

Sequential Assessment

This has been considered by Consultants and found to be acceptable in terms of potential impact on Nelson and Colne Town Centres.

Employment Uses

This has now been agreed to be limited to B8 Uses only (Storage and Distribution) and not B2 Uses (General Industry) this means the proposed parking is now in accordance with the approved parking standards and saved Policy 31 Parking of the Replacement Pendle Local Plan.

Design

Unit B has been reduced in size from 1,216 sq.m. to 1,114 sq.m.

Materials are to be agreed with appropriate samples and colours.

Protected Trees/Landscaping

An updated Arborcultural Report and Landscaping scheme have been submitted.

Only one protected Sycamore out of Group 2 is proposed to be removed with the Arborcultural Report updated to reflect this.

The footprint of Unit B has been reduced as stated above this allows for a wider buffer between this unit and the Nature Reserve with more appropriate planting proposed.

The wildflower mix has been addressed with more appropriate planting.

The planting proposed for the eastern edge of the site has also been amended and is now acceptable.

Larger trees to the buffer adjacent to the properties on Greenfield Road are proposed.

The proposed landscaping scheme now accords with policy and is acceptable.

Ecology

The mature trees on site with bat roosting potential will all be retained.

Conclusion

The Amended scheme now proposed addresses all the outstanding issues and together with the suggested conditions would result in an acceptable scheme in terms of policy and potential impacts.