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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

APPLICATION NO: 20/01592/FUL **DATE REGISTERED:** 12th January 2021

Proposed Development and Location of Land:

Proposed 4 no. dwellinghouses and associated works. Land adjacent Batemans Lane Weeley Road Little Clacton Essex

THE TENDRING DISTRICT COUNCIL AS LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY <u>HEREBY</u> <u>REFUSE PLANNING PERMISSION</u> in accordance with the application form, supporting documents and plans submitted for the following reason(s)

Paragraph 11 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2019 (NPPF) states that plans and decisions should apply a presumption in favour of sustainable development. For plan-making this means that plans should positively seek opportunities to meet the development needs of their area. Strategic policies should, as a minimum, provide for objectively assessed needs for housing. For decision-taking this means approving development proposals that accord with an up-to-date development plan without delay. Paragraph 12 of the NPPF states that presumption in favour of sustainable development does not change the statutory status of the development plan as the starting point for decision making. Where a planning application conflicts with an up-to-date development plan permission should not usually be granted.

Section 1 of the Local Plan (which sets out the strategy for growth across North Essex including Tendring, Colchester and Braintree) has been examined by an Independent Planning Inspector who issued his final report and recommended 'main modifications' on 10th December 2020. The Inspector's report confirms that, the housing and employment targets in the plan have been confirmed as sound, including the housing requirement of 550 dwellings per annum in Tendring. The Council has now formally adopted Section 1 part of the development plan which carries full weight in the determination of planning applications - superseding, in part, some of the more strategic policies in the 2007 adopted plan. In the interim, the modified policies in the Section 1 Local Plan, including the confirmed housing requirement, can be given significant weight in decision making owing to their advancement through the final stages of the plan-making process.

For the purposes of the determination of this application the Council can currently demonstrate that a 5 year housing land supply exists. Engaging the presumption in favour of sustainable development under paragraph 11 d) of the NPPF does not apply in this instance. The policies for the delivery of housing are considered up-to-date and the application must therefore be determined in accordance with Paragraph 11 c) of the NPPF, thus in accordance with the development plan.

Accounting for the housing land supply situation, regardless of the proximity of the site in relation to services and amenities, there is no longer a requirement to consider such sites due to their location outside of the defined settlement development boundaries as the planned growth for the District to meet housing need has been established. The development is located beyond the identified settlement boundary and there are no public benefits that might warrant the proposal being considered in an exceptional light. The proposal is therefore contrary to Saved Local Plan Policy QL1 and Emerging Local Plan Policy SP1.

Due to their location and layout the proposed dwellings would be harmful to visual amenity and the distinctive local character. Accordingly, the development conflict with Saved Policy EN1 of the Local Plan and Policies SP7, SPL3 and LP4 of the Emerging Local Plan. The proposal would also be contrary to Paragraph 127 of the framework.

DATED: 10th March 2021 **SIGNED**:

Graham Nourse Assistant Director Planning Service

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:-

The local planning authority considers that the following policies and proposals in the development plan are relevant to the above decision:

NPPF National Planning Policy Framework February 2019

National Planning Practice Guidance

Tendring District Local Plan 2007

QL1 Spatial Strategy

QL11 Environmental Impacts and Compatibility of Uses

COM6 Provision of Recreational Open Space for New Residential Development

COM31A Sewerage and Sewage Disposal

EN1 Landscape Character

EN6 Biodiversity

EN6A Protected Species

EN11A Protection of International Sites European Sites and RAMSAR Sites

EN13 Sustainable Drainage Systems

HG1 Housing Provision

HG3	Residential Development Within Defined Settlements
HG9	Private Amenity Space
HG14	Side Isolation
TR1A	Development Affecting Highways
TR7	Vehicle Parking at New Development
Tendring District Local Plan 2013-2033 and Beyond Publication Draft (June 2017)	
SP1	Presumption in Favour of Sustainable Development
SP2	Spatial Strategy for North Essex
SP3	Meeting Housing Needs
SP4	Providing for Employment & Retail
SP7	Development and Delivery of New Garden Communities in North Essex
SPL1	Managing Growth
SPL2	Settlement Development Boundaries
SPL3	Sustainable Design
HP3	Green Infrastructure
LP1	Housing Supply
LP3	Housing Density and Standards
LP4	Housing Layout
PPL3	The Rural Landscape
PPL4	Biodiversity and Geodiversity
PPL5	Water Conservation, Drainage and Sewerage
CP1	Sustainable Transport and Accessibility
Local Planning Guidance	
Essex County Council Car Parking Standards - Design and Good Practice	
Essex Design Guide	
Provision of Recreational Open Space for New Development	
Urban Place Supplement	

Crime Reduction Through Environmental Design

Positive and Proactive Statement

The Local Planning Authority has acted positively and proactively in determining this application by identifying matters of concern with the proposal and discussing those with the Agent. However, the issues are so fundamental to the proposal that it has not been possible to negotiate a satisfactory way forward and due to the harm which has been clearly identified within the reasons for the refusal, approval has not been possible.

The attached notes explain the rights of appeal.

NOTES FOR GUIDANCE

WHEN PLANNING PERMISSION IS REFUSED OR GRANTED SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS

APPEALS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE

- If you are aggrieved by the decision of your local planning authority to refuse permission for the proposed development or to grant it subject to conditions, then you can appeal to the Secretary of State under Section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- If you want to appeal, then you must do so within the set time frame as outlined below:
 - a. If this is a decision to refuse planning permission for a householder application, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 12 weeks of the date of this notice. A Householder Appeal Form is required, available online at https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate
 - b. If this is a decision to refuse planning permission for a minor commercial application, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within **12 weeks** of the date of this notice. A **Planning Appeal Form** is required, available online at https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate
 - c. If you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision on a development which is not caught by a. and b. above then you must do so within 6 months of the date of this notice. A Planning Appeal Form is required, available online at https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate
- Appeals must be made using the relevant form (as detailed above) which you can get from the Secretary of State at Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN (Tel: 0303 444 5000) or online at https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate. Please note, only the applicant possesses the right of appeal.
- The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal, but will not normally be prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.
- The Secretary of State need not consider an appeal if it seems to the Secretary of State that the local planning authority could not have granted permission for the proposed development or could not have granted it without the conditions imposed having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of any development order and to any directions given under a development order.
- If you intend to submit an appeal that you would like examined by inquiry then you must notify the Local Planning Authority and Planning Inspectorate (inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk) at least 10 days before submitting the appeal. Further details are on GOV.UK.

ENFORCEMENT

- If this is a decision on a planning application relating to the same or substantially the same land and development as is already the subject of an enforcement notice, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision on your application, then you must do so within 28 days of the date of this notice.
- If an enforcement notice is served relating to the same or substantially the same land and development as in your application and if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision on your application, then you must do so within 28 days of the date of service of the enforcement notice, or within 6 months (12 weeks in the case of a householder or minor commercial appeal) of the date of this notice, whichever period expires earlier.