DELEGATED DECISION OFFICER REPORT

AUTHORISATION	INITIALS	DATE	
Planning Officer recommendation:	ER	26/07/2024	
EIA Development - Notify Planning Casework Unit of Decision:	NO		
Team Leader authorisation / sign off:	ML 01/08/2024		
Assistant Planner final checks and despatch:	ER	01/08/2024	

Application: 24/00787/FUL **Town / Parish**: Great Bromley Parish

Council

Applicant: Mr C Rouse

Address: Land Adj. Police Mast Hilliards Road Great Bromley

Development: Proposed construction of one (self build) three-bedroom dwelling with

associated parking and external works.

1. Town / Parish Council

Great Bromley Parish council - No objections received

2. Consultation Responses

Environmental Protection 20.06.2024

Thank you for your consultation regarding the proposed development above. The Environmental Protection Team's comments are given below:

STANDARD CONSTRUCTION - MINIMUM REQUIREMENT

In order to minimise potential nuisance caused by construction, Environmental Protection recommend that the following below is conditioned.

- No vehicle connected with the works to arrive on site before 07:30 or leave after 19:00 (except in the case of emergency). Working hours to be restricted between 08:00 and 18:00 Mondays to Saturdays (finishing at 13:00 on Saturdays) with no working of any kind permitted on Sundays or any Public/Bank Holiday whilst construction works and alterations are being carried out.
- No materials produced as a result of the site development or clearance shall be burned on site.

Adherence to the above condition will significantly reduce the likelihood of public complaint and potential enforcement action by Pollution and Environmental Control. The condition gives the best practice for Demolition and Construction sites. Failure to follow them may result in enforcement action under nuisance legislation (Environmental Protection Act 1990), or the imposition of controls on working hours (Control of Pollution Act 1974).

ECC Highways Dept 24.06.2024

The information submitted with the application has been fully assessed by the Highway Authority and conclusions reached based on a desktop study in conjunction with a previous site visit. The site is situated on the Hilliards Road that is classed as a local road within the County Council's Development Management Route Hierarchy.

The proposal is utilising an existing vehicular access onto the Hilliards Road. There is no record or evidence of any personal injury accidents in the vicinity of the proposed access for the most recent 5-year period. When compared with the recent agricultural use, the level of activity will be on a par or possibly reduced. It appears that the proposed dwelling will retain adequate off-street parking and turning, taking these factors into consideration:

From a highway and transportation perspective the impact of the proposal is acceptable to Highway Authority subject to the following mitigation and conditions:

1. As indicated on drawing no. PC-169-P100 Rev A, and prior to occupation of the dwelling, there should be no obstruction above ground level within a 2.4m wide parallel band visibility splay as measured from and along the nearside edge of the carriageway across the entire site frontage of the proposed and host dwellings. Such vehicular visibility splays shall be provided before the access is first used by vehicular traffic and retained free of any obstruction at all times.

Reason: To provide adequate inter-visibility between users of the access and the public highway in the interests of highway safety in accordance with policy DM1.

- 2. As indicated on drawing no. PC-169-P100 Rev A, and prior to occupation of the dwelling, a size 5 vehicular turning facility, (8m x 8m) shall be constructed, surfaced, and maintained free from obstruction within the site at all times for that sole purpose. Reason: To ensure that vehicles can enter and leave the highway in
- a forward gear in the interest of highway safety in accordance with policy DM1.
- 3. No unbound material shall be used in the surface treatment of the vehicular access within 6 metres of the highway boundary. Reason: To avoid displacement of loose material onto the highway in the interests of highway safety in accordance with policy DM1.
- 4. Prior to occupation of the dwelling and as indicated on drawing no. BHR-03 Rev. A, the vehicular access shall be constructed at right angles to the highway boundary and to the existing carriageway. The width of the access at its junction with the highway shall not be more than 3.6 metres (equivalent to 4 drop kerbs), shall be retained at that width for 6 metres within the site and shall be provided with an appropriate dropped kerb vehicular crossing of the footway/highway verge.

Reason: to ensure that vehicles can enter and leave the highway in a controlled manner in the interest of highway safety in accordance with policy DM1.

- 5. Any new boundary planting shall be planted a minimum of 1 metre back from the highway boundary and any visibility splay. Reason: To ensure that the future outward growth of the planting does not encroach upon the highway or interfere with the passage of users of the highway, to preserve the integrity of the highway and in the interests of highway safety and in accordance with Policy DM1.
- 6. Areas within the curtilage of the site for the purpose of loading / unloading / reception and storage of building materials and manoeuvring of all vehicles, including construction traffic shall be

provided clear of the highway.

Reason: To ensure that appropriate loading / unloading facilities are available to ensure that the highway is not obstructed during the construction period in the interest of highway safety in accordance with policy DM1.

7. Prior to occupation of the proposed development, the Developer shall be responsible for the provision and implementation of a Residential Travel Information Pack per dwelling, for sustainable transport, approved by Essex County Council.

Reason: In the interests of reducing the need to travel by car and promoting sustainable development and transport in accordance with policies DM9 and DM10 of the Highway Authority's Development Management Policies, adopted as County Council Supplementary Guidance in February 2011

The above conditions are to ensure that the proposal conforms to the relevant policies contained within the County Highway Authority's Development Management Policies, adopted as County Council Supplementary Guidance in February 2011.

Informative:

- i. There shall be no discharge of surface water onto the Highway
- ii. All work within or affecting the highway is to be laid out and constructed by prior arrangement with and to the requirements and specifications of the Highway Authority; all details shall be agreed before the commencement of works.

The applicants should be advised to contact the Development Management Team by email at development.management@essexhighways.org

iii. The Highway Authority cannot accept any liability for costs associated with a developer's improvement. This includes design check safety audits, site supervision, commuted sums for maintenance and any potential claims under Part 1 and Part 2 of the Land Compensation Act 1973. To protect the Highway Authority against such compensation claims a cash deposit or bond may be required.

Tree & Landscape Officer 27.06.2024

The application site is set in a rural location and contains a small single Ash tree in only moderate condition with low amenity value. It does not merit protection by means of a tree preservation order

Should planning permission be likely to be granted then details of soft landscaping should be secured by a planning condition. Soft landscaping should aim to soften, screen and enhance the appearance of the development.

3. Planning History

91/00669/FUL

Continued use of former barrack room as Approved agricultural dwelling (renewal of permission TEN/68/89)

15.10.1991

93/00854/FUL	(Goodwood Timber Products, Land adj. to Police Radio) Renewal of consent TEN/91/0669 continuation of use of former barrack room as agricultural dwelling for period of 3 years	Approved	19.07.1994
94/01123/FUL	(Land adjacent to Police Radio Mast, Great Bromley) Continuance of use for the manufacture of agricultural buildings and fencing (renewal of permission TEN/1356/89)	Approved	22.11.1994
97/01073/FUL	(Land adjacent to Gt Bromley Police Radio Mast, Hilliard Road, Gt Bromley) Renewal of time limited consent TEN/93/0854 relating to occupancy of agricultural workers dwelling	Approved	28.10.1997
99/01717/FUL	Continuance of use for the manufacture of agricultural buildings and fencing (Renewal of planning permission TEN/94/1123)	Approved	06.01.2000
03/01639/FUL	Change of use of present piggery building (ex Marconi workshops), to Class B1, B2 and B8 - for the manufacture of sectional portable buildings and fencing and storage of green timber materials, for use by existing business (Goodwood Timber)	Approved	25.10.2003
21/01675/COUNO T	Proposed conversion of two agricultural building into two dwellings.	Prior Approval not required	19.11.2021
22/00489/FUL	Proposed erection of one 3 bedroom dwelling (in lieu of Prior Approval for two 2 bedroom dwellings, subject of application 21/01675/COUNOT.	Approved	06.07.2022
23/00572/DISCON	Discharge of condition 13 (Details of the Drainage Works) of application 22/00489/FUL.	Approved	15.08.2023
23/00959/NMA	Non Material Amendment to application reference 22/00489/FUL for alteration to approved floor plan and roof lights added.	Approved	04.08.2023

4. Status of the Local Plan

Planning law requires that decisions on applications must be taken in accordance with the development plan unless there are material considerations that indicate otherwise (Section 70(2) of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act and Section 38(6) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004). This is set out in Paragraph 2 of the National Planning Policy Framework (the Framework). The 'development plan' for Tendring comprises, in part, Sections 1 and 2 of the Tendring District Local Plan 2013-33 and Beyond (adopted January 2021 and January 2022, respectively). supported bν our suite of evidence base core (https://www.tendringdc.uk/content/evidence-base) together with any Neighbourhood Plans that have been made and the Minerals and Waste Local Plans adopted by Essex County Council.

In relation to housing supply:

The Framework requires Councils to significantly boost the supply of homes to meet the District's housing need. However, the revised Framework, published on 19th December 2023, sets out in Paragraph 76 that (for applications made on or after the date of publication of this version of the Framework) local planning authorities are not required to identify and update annually a supply of specific deliverable sites sufficient to provide a minimum of five years' worth of housing for decision making purposes if the following criteria are met:

- their adopted plan is less than five years old; and
- that adopted plan identified at least a five-year supply of specific, deliverable sites at the time that its examination concluded.

The adopted Local Plan meets these criteria.

Notwithstanding this updated provision, the Council will continue to demonstrate an updated supply of specific deliverable sites within its Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA), which is published annually. The most recent SHLAA was published by the Council in November 2023, and demonstrates a 6.44-year supply of deliverable housing sites against the annual requirement of 550 dwellings per annum set out within the adopted Local Plan, plus a 5% buffer to ensure choice and competition in the market. (The SHLAA can be viewed on the Council's website: https://www.tendringdc.gov.uk/content/monitoring-and-shlaa)

On 19th December 2023 the Government published the Housing Delivery Test (HDT) 2022 measurement. Against a requirement for 1,420 homes for 2019-2022, the total number of homes delivered was 2,207. The Council's HDT 2022 measurement was therefore 155%. As a result, the 'tilted balance' at paragraph 11 d) of the Framework does not apply to decisions relating to new housing development.

5. Neighbourhood Plans

A neighbourhood plan introduced by the Localism Act that can be prepared by the local community and gives communities the power to develop a shared vision for their area. Neighbourhood plans can shape, direct and help to deliver sustainable development, by influencing local planning decisions as part of the statutory development plan to promote development and uphold the strategic policies as part of the Development Plan alongside the Local Plan. Relevant policies are considered in the assessment. Further information on our Neighbourhood Plans and their progress can be found via our website https://www.tendringdc.uk/content/neighbourhood-plans

Great Bromley does not benefit from a neighbourhood plan document and is not in the process of drafting one.

6. Relevant Policies / Government Guidance

National:

National Planning Policy Framework 2023 (NPPF) National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG)

Local:

Tendring District Local Plan 2013-2033 and Beyond North Essex Authorities' Shared Strategic Section 1 (adopted January 2021)

- SP1 Presumption in Favour of Sustainable Development
- SP2 Recreational disturbance Avoidance and Mitigation Strategy (RAMS)
- SP3 Spatial Strategy for North Essex
- SP4 Meeting Housing Needs
- SP7 Place Shaping Principles

Tendring District Local Plan 2013-2033 and Beyond Section 2 (adopted January 2022)

- SPL1 Managing Growth
- SPL2 Settlement Development Boundaries
- SPL3 Sustainable Design
- LP1 Housing Supply
- LP2 Housing Choice
- LP3 Housing Density and Standards
- LP4 Housing Layout
- LP7 Self-Build and Custom-Built Homes
- PPL3 The Rural Landscape
- PPL4 Biodiversity and Geodiversity
- PPL5 Water Conservation, Drainage and Sewerage
- PPL10 Renewable Energy Generation and Energy efficiency Measures
- CP1 Sustainable Transport and Accessibility
- CP2 Improving the Transport Network
- CP3 Improving the Telecommunications Network

Supplementary Planning Documents

Essex Coast Recreational Disturbance Avoidance and Mitigation Strategy SPD 2020 (RAMS) Essex Design Guide

Technical housing standards: nationally described space standard Published 27 March 2015 Biodiversity Net Gain Supplementary Planning Document June 2023 (DRAFT)

Local Planning Guidance

Essex County Council Car Parking Standards - Design and Good Practice

7. Officer Appraisal (including Site Description and Proposal)

Site Description

The site is located to the east of Hilliards Road, Gt Bromley, and located outside of the development boundary. The site is currently vacant with an access onto Hilliards Road and enclosed by temporary fencing.

The proposed development site is located approximately 1.7 miles from Great Bromley, which contains a church, a farm shop and butchers, a primary school, a village hall and a cricket club as well as a number of employment opportunities. The site is a short distance from the A120 which connects the area to Harwich as well as to Colchester and further via the A12 and Clacton-on-Sea via the A133.

Relevant History

The site benefits from a few previous planning applications which have been detailed below.

2021

21/01675/COUNOT - Proposed conversion of two agricultural building into two dwellings. – Prior Approval not required.

Note – Upon the officer's site visit it is evident that the barn nearest to the application site has since been removed.

2022

22/00489/FUL - Proposed erection of one 3 bedroom dwelling (in lieu of Prior Approval for two 2 bedroom dwellings, subject of application 21/01675/COUNOT. – Approved

This permission contained several conditions (see below); however, one restricts the building of the house until the existing barns have been demolished. This prevents the implementation of 21/01675/COUNOT and 22/00489/FUL together and the creation of 3 new houses.

Condition 11 - No building or engineering operations authorised by this permission shall be commenced until the two existing agricultural buildings (subject of 22/01675/COUNOT and shown as being demolished on drawing BHR-03) on the site have been demolished and all materials resulting therefrom shall be cleared from the site.

Reason - The development hereby permitted has only been supported on the basis that the existing agricultural buildings be removed from the site to justify their replacement with a single dwelling which ordinarily would be contrary to the development plan which directs new development to sites within settlement development boundaries.

2023

23/00572/DISCON - Discharge of condition 13 (Details of the Drainage Works) of application 22/00489/FUL. – Approved (no further conditions required discharging).

23/00959/NMA - Non Material Amendment to application reference 22/00489/FUL for alteration to approved floor plan and roof lights added. – Approved

Description

This application seeks planning permission for the proposed construction of one (self-build) three-bedroom dwelling with associated parking and external works.

The application has been accompanied by a self/ custom build form detailing the proposal and intended occupants.

Assessment

Principle of Development

Fallback Position:-

The previous application under **22/00489/FUL** sought to demolish the Barn A building subject of 17/01710/COUNOT and the Barn B to the south of the plot and the construction of a new build property on the application site. That permission is still extant.

This scheme seeks permission for a new self-build dwelling on the same parcel of land as application 22/00489/FUL. This scheme is the 'fall back' scheme.

It is established in case law that permitted development rights can legitimately represent a fallback position when considering alternative proposals for development of the same site.

The relevant legal principles relating to fallback were set out in R v Secretary of State for the Environment and Havering BC (1998) EnvLR189. In that case Mr Lockhart-Mummery QC, sitting as a Deputy High Court Judge, accepted submissions that there were three elements to the fallback test:

"First whether there is a fallback use, that is to say whether there is a lawful ability to undertake such a use; secondly, whether there is a likelihood or real prospect of such occurring. Thirdly if the answer to the second question is "yes" a comparison must be made between the proposed development and the fallback use."

The notion of the Class Q fallback position was subsequently and comprehensively dealt with at the landmark Court of Appeal case, Mansell vs Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council [2017].

The proposed building was accepted under the change of use scheme as detailed above. The applicants have chosen to now not pursue the previous change of use prior notification and instead progress with one self-build dwelling. The proposal is considered to accord with the tests above.

Layout. Scale and Appearance

Section 1 Policy SP7 of the 2013-33 Local Plan seeks high standards of urban and architectural design which responds positively to local character and context. Section 2 Policy SPL3 of the 2013-33 Local Plan also requires, amongst other things, that the development respects or enhances local landscape character, views, skylines, landmarks, existing street patterns, open spaces and other locally important features. Section 2 Policy LP4 requires that the design and layout of new residential and mixed-use developments in the Tendring District will be expected to deliver new dwellings that are designed to high standards of architecture, which respect local character and which together with a well-considered site layout, create a unique sense of place. Paragraph 135 of the Framework requires that developments are visually attractive as a result of good architecture, are sympathetic to local character, and establish or maintain a strong sense of place.

Form is the three-dimensional shape and modelling of buildings and the spaces they define. Buildings and spaces can take many forms, depending upon their size and shape in plan; height; bulk - their volume; massing - how bulk is shaped into a form and relationship to the plot boundary. Scale is the height, width and length of each building proposed within a development in relation to its surroundings. This relates both to the overall size and massing of individual buildings and spaces in relation to their surroundings, and to the scale of their parts. It affects how a space can be used and how it is experienced. The relationships between the different dimensions of a building or component are known as its proportions. Appearance is the aspects of a building or space within the development which determine the visual impression the building or space makes, including the external built form of the development, its architecture, materials, decoration, lighting, colour and texture.

Several buildings in the locality have been converted or have been replaced in lieu of prior approvals; these include Willow Farm. This new scheme depicts a building larger in size compared to the previous approval **22/00489/FUL** largely as an integral garage is now proposed. The previous building showed a 3-bedroom bungalow whilst the proposed building now shows a chalet bungalow over two floors with 3 bedrooms, a study and ensuite bathrooms.

Notwithstanding the increase in the size and change of house type, the form and massing of the building is similar - typically representing a house of relatively simple form with an

uncluttered façade. Externally the building would be finished in red facing brick and black weatherboarding which is typical of this rural location and sympathetic with other surrounding developments. The size and mass of the dwelling proposed is proportionate to the plot.

For these reasons it is considered that the development respects local landscape character, skylines and existing street patterns which is sympathetic to local rural character.

Self & Custom-Build Housing

Policy LP 7 of the Local Plan states that The Council will encourage the provision of opportunities for constructing Self-Build and Custom-Built Homes as part of the mix of housing on large residential developments and the one-for-one replacement of an existing dwelling, of any size, in the countryside outside of settlement development boundaries with a single unit of Self-Build Housing, unless the impacts of development would conflict with other policy requirements in this Local Plan.

The proposal is located outside of the defined development boundary but relates to the construction of a self-build property in lieu of a previously approved application for a single dwelling, that remains extant. On that basis the principle of constructing a single dwelling in this location is acceptable and accords within the principles of self-build and custom-built properties and the policy requirements outlined above.

On that basis a self / custom build form has been completed and the agent has confirmed that the house has been designed to meet the specific requirements of the applicant. The applicant along with their partner will live in the dwelling upon completion. The proposal therefore meets the definition of self-built as set out under the Self-Build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015. A condition will be included to request and confirm information on the occupiers of the new dwelling to ensure the development meets the self-build requirements and exemptions as set out under the Biodiversity Net Gain regulations (see more below on this matter).

Space Standards/Layout

The proposal will comprise of a two-storey dwelling with three double bedrooms and meets the above standards. The national standards requests that the floor area for double bedrooms should be no smaller than 11.5m2 and the width of the room should not be lower than 2.75m.

The proposed bedrooms all exceed the floor area and widths required by the technical housing standards.

The private amenity space to the rear will be in excess of 100m2 allowing for a usable space to be provided for the occupiers of the house.

Overall, the proposal is considered to secure a good standard of amenity for future occupants of the proposed dwelling.

Renewable and Energy Conservation Measures

Paragraph 116 of the Framework states that applications for development should be designed to enable charging of plug-in and other ultra-low emission vehicles (ULEV) in safe, accessible and convenient locations. However, recent UK Government announcements that ULEV charging points will become mandatory for new development have yet to be published.

Policies PPL10 and SPL3, together, require consideration be given to renewable energy generation and conservation measures. Proposals for new development of any type should consider the potential for a range of renewable energy generation solutions, appropriate to the building(s), site and its location, and be designed to facilitate the retrofitting of renewable energy installations.

The proposal includes for a development that has the potential to incorporate renewable features. The supporting information does indicate that solar panels, broadband and an air source heat pump will be provided; however, there have been no precise details provided relating to these features. Therefore, it is considered reasonable and necessary to include a planning condition requiring a scheme, together with a timetable to be submitted for the consideration and installation of these measures, as such a condition is capable of addressing these policy requirements.

Ecology and Biodiversity

General duty on all authorities

The Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 amended by the Environment Act 2021 provides under Section 40 the general duty to conserve and enhance biodiversity: "For the purposes of this section "the general biodiversity objective" is the conservation and enhancement of biodiversity in England through the exercise of functions in relation to England." Section 40 states authorities must consider what actions they can take to further the general biodiversity objective and determine policies and specific objectives to achieve this goal. The actions mentioned include conserving, restoring, or enhancing populations of particular species and habitats. In conclusion for decision making, it is considered that the Local Planning Authority must be satisfied that the development would conserve and enhance.

This development is subject to the general duty outlined above. A biodiversity enhancement strategy condition will be imposed upon the planning permission requesting further information on this ensuring the appropriate measures are taken.

Biodiversity net gain

Biodiversity net gain (BNG) is an approach that aims to leave the natural environment in a measurably better state than it was beforehand. This excludes applications for self build development.

In this instance, the agent has selected on the application form that the proposal is exempt from Biodiversity Net Gain as it is considered under the self-build scheme. Sufficient evidence has been provided from the agent confirming it is a self-build development and officers are in agreement that it can be considered under this remit. As noted above, a condition will be applied to ensure the development is secured as self-build and details of occupation are provided accordingly.

As such, this proposal falls under the requirements of self-build and is not therefore applicable for Biodiversity Net Gain.

Protected Species

In accordance with Natural England's standing advice the proposed development site and surrounding habitat have been assessed for potential impacts on protected species. It is

considered that the proposal is unlikely to adversely impact upon protected species or habitats.

Conclusion

In accordance with the overarching duty outlined above, this development is considered to accord to best practice, policy, and legislation requirements in consideration of the impacts on ecology interests.

Neighbouring Amenities

The NPPF, at paragraph 135 states that development should create places that are safe, inclusive and accessible and which promote health and well-being, with a high standard of amenity for existing and future users. Section 1 Policy SP7 of the Tendring District Local Plan 2013-2033 requires that all new development protects the amenity of existing and future residents and users with regard to noise, vibration, smell, loss of light, overbearing and overlooking.

The application site has only one neighbour which is located to the south and comprises of an existing bungalow.

The new building will be two storeys in design; however, it will have a pitched roof and low eaves height of 3m. Furthermore, the block plan shows that the new building will only just protrude beyond this neighbour's rear wall and will be set off the shared boundary thereby reducing its impact further to this neighbour. Given the location of the building together with its design and positioning on plot it is considered that its introduction would not result in a significant loss of light or outlook to this neighbour.

The new house will comprise of a number of side facing windows at ground floor and two new rooflights which will face this neighbour. Due to the size and positioning of the openings within the roofslope, the first-floor windows will not achieve clear views into this neighbour's house. The ground floor openings will likely be screened by boundary treatment. The proposal would therefore not result in a loss of privacy to this neighbour.

Highway Considerations

Paragraph 115 of the NPPF states that development should only be prevented or refused on highways grounds if there would be an unacceptable impact on highway safety. Paragraph 116 states that applications for development should (a) give priority first to pedestrian and cycle movements and (c) create places that are safe, secure and attractive - which minimise the scope for conflicts between pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles, avoid unnecessary street clutter. Paragraph 130 of the NPPF seeks to ensure that safe and suitable access to a development site can be achieved for all users. These objectives are supported adopted Policy SP7 of the Tendring District Local Plan 2013-2033.

The Essex County Council Parking Standards states that where a house comprises of two or more bedrooms that 2no off street parking spaces should be made available which measure 5.5m by 2.9m per space. They also state that garages should have an internal measurement of 7m by 3m.

The proposed garage is of a size which will accommodate one parking space in line with the sizes above. As the house is set back from Hilliards Road there is sufficient space to the front of the house which is large enough to accommodate at least one further space.

The proposal therefore conforms to the above standards and provide sufficient parking.

The information submitted with the application has been fully assessed by the Highway Authority and conclusions reached based on a desktop study in conjunction with a previous site visit. The site is situated on the Hilliards Road that is classed as a local road within the County Council's Development Management Route Hierarchy. The proposal is utilising an existing vehicular access onto the Hilliards Road. There is no record or evidence of any personal injury accidents in the vicinity of the proposed access for the most recent 5-year period. When compared with the recent agricultural use, the level of activity will be on a par or possibly reduced. The impact of the proposal is acceptable to the Highway Authority subject to mitigation and conditions.

The proposal is therefore considered acceptable in terms of highway safety.

Rural Landscape/ Landscaping

As a largely rural area, Tendring District's countryside is one of its main assets and maintaining an attractive, rural environment is important to the quality of life experienced by both residents and visitors. Policy PPL3 requires the Council to protect the rural landscape and refuse planning permission for any proposed development which would cause overriding harm to its character or appearance.

The application site is set in a rural location and contains a small single Ash tree in only moderate condition with low amenity value. It does not merit protection by means of a tree preservation order

The design and access statement states "The new driveway will be bounded hardstanding and paving slabs for the private paths and patios the rest of the garden areas will be soft landscaped." There has been no further information provided on this.

The Council's Tree and Landscape Officer has been consulted and has raised no objections to the scheme subject to conditions requesting further information on soft landscaping to be provided. Due to the rural setting of the proposed building and in order to protect the character of the countryside it is a considered a condition requesting further information on soft landscaping is appropriate.

The proposed house will be set further back on its plot compared to the southern neighbour and set in from the site's boundaries. The chalet bungalow house type will allow for the new house to appear consistent with other houses of this type in the locale and will not excessively protrude within the skyline. For these reasons the development, of single-storey nature and within proximity of other structures is considered to have a neutral impact on the character and appearance of the countryside in this specific location.

Water Conservation, Drainage and Sewerage

Paragraph 186 of the Framework states that planning policies and decisions should contribute to and enhance the natural and local environment by preventing new development from contributing to unacceptable levels of water pollution.

Furthermore, Paragraph 186 of the Framework states that planning policies and decisions should also ensure that new development is appropriate for its location taking into account the likely effects of pollution on the natural environment.

Paragraph: 020 of the National Planning Policy Guidance states that where a connection to a public sewage treatment plant is not feasible a package sewage treatment plant can be considered. The package sewage treatment plant must comply with the Small sewage

discharges in England: general binding rules 2015 (GBR), or a permit will be required. Package sewage treatment plants may only be considered if it can be clearly demonstrated by the applicant that discharging into a public sewer is not feasible (taking into account cost and/or practicability and whether the package treatment plant poses a risk to a designated site) in accordance with Approved Document H of the Building Regulations 2010. A completed Foul Drainage Assessment Form 1 (FDA1) form, or equivalent information, should accompany all planning applications where use of a non-mains system is proposed for foul drainage. The operation of small sewage discharges such as those from septic tanks or package treatment plants is regulated under the Environmental Permitting Regulations 2016 (EPR).

Adopted Policy PPL5 of Section 2 of the Adopted Local Plan states that all new development must make adequate provision for drainage and sewerage. Private sewage treatment facilities will not be permitted if there is an accessible public foul sewer. Where private sewage treatment facilities are the only practical option for sewage disposal, they will only be permitted where there would be no harm to the environment, having regard to preventing pollution of groundwater and any watercourses and odour.

The application form accompanying the application has stated that the development would be connected to a package water treatment plant. This does not adhere to the above local and national policy requirements which seek to connect new development to an existing public foul sewer.

In relation to non-mains drainage from non-major development the Environment Agency's advice is that to comply with the Framework and PPG on foul drainage matters, an LPA needs to be satisfied that foul drainage can be provided without adverse impact on the environment. This requires ensuring that both those environmental risks outside of the control of the permit and the relevant considerations in the PPG are addressed. The LPA should also be mindful that the developer will need to address foul drainage matters to get their environmental permit and meet building control regulations. Therefore, they should be confident that it is likely that any necessary permits and approvals can be successfully obtained.

Question 11 of the application form states that it is not intended to connect to a mains sewer. Instead, foul sewage will be disposed of by way of a package treatment plant; the declaration implies that a mains connection is not possible.

It is likely there is no mains sewer in this location given the rural location of the site. As such further information has been provided of the package treatment plant to show adequate foul drainage will be provided.

Recreational Disturbance Avoidance and Mitigation Strategy (RAMS):

Under the Habitats Regulations, a development which is likely to have a significant effect or an adverse effect (alone or in combination) on a European designated site must provide mitigation or otherwise must satisfy the tests of demonstrating 'no alternatives' and 'reasons of overriding public interest'. There is no precedent for a residential development meeting those tests, which means that all residential development must provide mitigation. The contribution is secured by unilateral undertaking.

The application scheme proposes a new dwelling on a site that lies within the Zone of Influence (Zol) being approximately 7,561m from Colne Estuary (Mid-Essex Coast Phase 2) and Essex Estuaries SPAC. However, new housing development within the Zol would be likely to increase the number of recreational visitors to Colne Estuary; and, in combination with other developments it is likely that the proposal would have significant

effects on the designated site. Mitigation measures must therefore be secured prior to occupation.

Consequently, a unilateral undertaking will be requested as part of a condition on the planning permission to ensure that the development would not adversely affect the integrity of European Designated Sites in accordance with Section 1 Policy SP2 and Section 2 Policy PPL4 of the Tendring District Local Plan 2013-2033 and Regulation 63 of the Conservation of Habitat and Species Regulations 2017.

Representations

Environmental Protection have been consulted and have no objections to the proposal subject to conditions regarding working hours and the prevention of burning materials.

No letters have been received in response to the publicity of this application.

The Parish Council do not object to the development.

Conclusion

The proposal is therefore considered to be compliant with national and local policy as assessed in the above report. In the absence of material harm resulting from the proposed development the application is recommended for approval.

8. Recommendation

Approval - Full

9. Conditions

1 COMPLIANCE REQUIRED: COMMENCEMENT TIME LIMIT

CONDITION: The development hereby permitted shall be begun not later the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

REASON: To comply with the requirements of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended by Section 51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

NOTE/S FOR CONDITION:

The development needs to commence within the timeframe provided. Failure to comply with this condition will result in the permission becoming lapsed and unable to be carried out. If commencement takes place after the time lapses this may result in unlawful works at risk Enforcement Action proceedings. You should only commence works when all other conditions requiring agreement prior to commencement have been complied with.

2 APPROVED PLANS & DOCUMENTS

CONDITION: The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the drawings/documents listed below and/or such other drawings/documents as may be approved by the Local Planning Authority in writing pursuant to other conditions of this permission or such drawings/documents as may subsequently be approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority as a non-material amendment following an application in that regard (except for Listed Building Consents). Such development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with any Phasing Plan approved, or as necessary in accordance with any successive Phasing Plan as may subsequently be approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to the commencement of development pursuant to this condition.

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REASON: For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper phased planning of the development.

NOTE/S FOR CONDITION:

The primary role of this condition is to confirm the approved plans and documents that form the planning decision. Any document or plan not listed in this condition is not approved, unless otherwise separately referenced in other conditions that also form this decision. The second role of this condition is to allow the potential process of Non Material Amendment if found necessary and such future applications shall be considered on their merits. Lastly, this condition also allows for a phasing plan to be submitted for consideration as a discharge of condition application should phasing be needed by the developer/s if not otherwise already approved as part of this permission. A phasing plan submission via this condition is optional and not a requirement.

Please note in the latest revision of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) it provides that Local Planning Authorities should seek to ensure that the quality of approved development is not materially diminished between permission and completion, as a result of changes being made to the permitted scheme (for example through changes to approved details such as the materials used). Accordingly, any future amendment of any kind will be considered in line with this paragraph, alongside the Development Plan and all other material considerations.

Any indication found on the approved plans and documents to describe the plans as approximate and/or not to be scaled and/or measurements to be checked on site or similar, will not be considered applicable and the scale and measurements shown shall be the approved details and used as necessary for compliance purposes and/or enforcement action.

3 AGREEMENT OF MEASURES TO IMPROVE SUSTAINABILITY OF DEVELOPMENT

CONDITION: No development shall commence above slab level until a scheme for the provision and implementation of water, energy and resource efficiency measures for the lifetime of the development shall be submitted to and approved, in writing, by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall include as a minimum:-

- An electric car charging point
- Agreement of a scheme for water conservation including greywater recycling and rainwater capture/re-use for new dwelling.
- Agreement of a scheme to achieve as far as possible a water consumption rate of not more than 110 litres, per person, per day for new dwelling.
- Agreement of heating for the new dwelling
- Agreement of scheme for waste reduction
- Provision of a fibre optic broadband connection to the best possible speed installed on an open access basis and directly accessed from the nearest exchange, incorporating the use of resistant tubing. (If the applicant is unable to achieve this standard of connection, and can evidence through consultation that this would not be possible, practical or economically viable an alternative superfast (i.e. will provide speeds greater than 30mbps) wireless service will be considered.)

The scheme shall be fully implemented prior to the first occupancy of the development unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall be constructed and the measures provided and made available for use as may be agreed and thereafter shall be maintained.

REASON: To enhance the sustainability of the development through reduced need, better use or savings in the use of water, energy and resources; reduced harm to the environment; and result in wider public benefit in accordance with the NPPF.

NOTES FOR CONDITION:

Slab level normally refers to the concrete slab supported on foundations or directly on the subsoil and is used to construct the ground floor of the development. In any other case, please assume slab level to be the point before any walls and/or development can be visualised above ground level or seek confirmation from the Local Planning Authority for your development.

Broadband provision is included to ensure the development is able to be equipped with high speed broadband to enable opportunities for web-based communication and homeworking reducing the need for unsustainable travel.

A water consumption rate of not more than 110 litres, per person, per day adopted as Planning Policy and as imposed by this condition will directly change the building regulations water consumption rate to match as a result of this policy. The introduction of effective utilities, rainwater capture for watering plants, aerators to taps and other water saving options can be considered.

4 SPECIFIC RESTRICTION ON DEVELOPMENT: SELF-BUILD AND CUSTOM-BUILD

CONDITION: The dwelling/s approved by this permission shall be occupied only by persons who have built or commissioned the building of the dwelling/s for their own occupation and use as a self-build project in accordance with the Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015 for a minimum of 24 hours from first occupation by said persons.

Furthermore, the following scheduled actions shall be undertaken.

- Prior to commencement of the development, details of the (a)individuals, (b)associations of individuals, or (c)persons working with or for individuals or associations of individuals, both building the development and who are to occupy the dwelling/s if different shall be confirmed in writing to the local planning authority. Should there be any changes to these details during construction, these shall be updated in writing to the local planning authority.
- On first occupation details of the first occupier of the dwelling/s shall be confirmed in writing to the local planning authority and subsequently the Local Planning Authority shall be informed of if and when that occupier changes within the first year of occupation.

REASON: The dwelling/s approved by this permission shall be occupied only by persons who have built or commissioned the building of the dwelling/s for their own occupation and use as a self-build project in accordance with the Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015 (as amended) and to accord with provisions of the Local Plan and NPPF.

5. FURTHER APPROVAL - CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT TO BE AGREED (PRE COMMENCEMENT)

CONDITION: Prior to the commencement of development details of the construction methodology and timetable shall be submitted to and approved, in writing, by the Local Planning Authority. This shall incorporate the following information:-

- a) Details of the hours of work/construction of the development within which such operations shall take place and the hours within which delivery/collection of materials for the said construction shall take place at the site.
- b) Details of the loading/unloading/storage of construction materials on site, including details of their siting and maximum storage height.

- c) Details of how construction traffic, deliveries for construction, worker traffic and all parking shall be managed on and/or off site. This shall include details of clear routing of all associated traffic and any directional signs to be installed and where located.
- d) Details of any protection measures for footpaths and trees surrounding and within the site during construction.
- e) Details of any means of access to the site during construction.
- f) Details of the scheduled timing/phasing of development for the overall construction period.
- g) Details of measures to control the emission of dust and dirt during construction, and including details of any wheel washing to be undertaken, management and location it is intended to take place.
- h) Details of the siting and maximum height of any on site compounds and portaloos.
- i) Details of the method of any demolition to take place, including the recycling and disposal of said materials resulting from demolition.
- j) Site waste management plan (that shall include reuse and recycling of materials)
- k) Scheme for sustainable construction management to ensure effective water and energy use.
- I) Scheme of review of complaints from neighbours.
- m) Registration and details of a Considerate Constructors Scheme that shall be implemented and followed throughout construction

The said methodology as may be approved shall be implemented in its entirety and shall operate as may be approved at all times during construction.

REASON: To minimise detriment to nearby residential and general amenity by controlling the construction process to achieve the approved development. This condition is required to be agreed prior to the commencement of any development as any construction process on site, including site preparation and travel to site, by reason of the location and scale of development may result adverse harm on local amenity.

NOTE/S FOR CONDITION:

You are strongly advised to discuss this condition with the Local Planning Authority and if possible/available local residents likely to be affected by this development prior to submission of details. Please note the provisions of the Highways Act 1980 Para 131 are likely to apply and may need to be discussed with the Highways Authority, this legalisation includes details and penalties for any damage and/or alterations to the highway including verge, highway signage and surface materials of pavement/footpath and carriageway.

6 APPROVAL REQUIRED: LANDSCAPING SCHEME

CONDITION: No development above slab level shall take place until there has been submitted to and approved, in writing, by the Local Planning Authority a scheme of hard, soft and boundary treatment landscaping works for the site, which shall include any proposed changes in ground levels.

REASON: In the interests of visual amenity and the character and appearance of the area.

NOTE/S FOR CONDITION:

Slab level is normally refers to the concrete slab supported on foundations or directly on the subsoil and is used to construct the ground floor of the development. In any other case,

please assume slab level to be the point before any walls and/or development can be visually above ground level or seek confirmation from the Local Planning Authority for your development.

Should the landscape works include any new hedgerow, please consider the following planting for a native hedge. Native hedge: 50% hawthorn, 25% blackthorn (but beware - this can spread into adjacent fields), 15% field maple, 2% holly, 2% wild privet, 2% guelder rose, 2% dog rose, 2% buckthorn.

7 COMPLIANCE WITH DETAILS AND TIMESCALE REQUIRED - LANDSCAPING SCHEME

CONDITION: All changes in ground levels, soft/hard landscaping shown on the approved landscaping details shall be carried out in full during the first planting and seeding season (October - March inclusive) following the commencement of the development, or in such other phased arrangement as may be approved, in writing, by the Local Planning Authority up to the first use/first occupation of the development. Any trees, hedges, shrubs or turf identified within the approved landscaping details (both proposed planting and existing) which die, are removed, seriously damaged or seriously diseased, within a period of 10 years of being planted, or in the case of existing planting within a period of 5 years from the commencement of development, shall be replaced in the next planting season with others of similar size and same species unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

REASON: To ensure that the approved landscaping scheme has sufficient time to establish, in the interests of visual amenity and the character and appearance of the area.

8 HIGHWAYS PROVISION OF VISIBILITY SPLAYS

CONDITION: Prior to occupation of the dwelling and as indicated on drawing no. PC-169-P100 Rev A, there should be no obstruction above ground level within a 2.4m wide parallel band visibility splay as measured from and along the nearside edge of the carriageway across the entire site frontage of the proposed and host dwellings. Such vehicular visibility splays shall be provided before the access is first used by vehicular traffic and retained free of any obstruction at all times.

Reason: To provide adequate inter-visibility between users of the access and the public highway in the interests of highway safety.

It is an OFFENCE to carry out works within the public highway, which includes a Public Right of Way, without the permission of the ECC Highway Authority. Any conditions which involve work within the limits of the public highway do not give the applicant permission to carry them out. Unless otherwise agreed in writing all works within the public highway shall be carried out by Essex County Council or its agents at the applicant's expense.

9 HIGHWAYS PROVISION OF PARKING AND TURNING

CONDITION: The hereby approved development shall not be first occupied until such time as the areas identified on drawing no. PC-169-P100 Rev A, for purposes of manoeuvring, turning and parking of vehicles, have been provided and made functionally available. The area shall then be retained and remain free of obstruction thereafter.

REASON: To ensure that on street parking of vehicles in the adjoining streets does not occur in the interests of highway safety and that appropriate parking and layout is provided To ensure the provision of adequate on-site space for the parking and manoeuvring of vehicles where on-street parking and manoeuvring would otherwise be detrimental to highway safety.

10 HIGHWAYS CONDITION

CONDITION: No unbound material shall be used in the surface treatment of the vehicular access within 6 metres of the carriageway.

REASON: To avoid displacement of loose material onto the carriageway in the interests of highway safety.

11 VEHICULAR ACCESS

CONDITION: Prior to occupation of the development the vehicular access shall be constructed at right angles to the private road and to the existing carriageway. The width of the access at its junction with the private access road shall not be more than 3.6 metres (equivalent to 4 low kerbs) and shall be retained at that width for 6 metres within the site and shall be provided with an appropriate dropped kerb vehicular crossing of the footway/ highway verge.

Reason - To ensure that vehicles can enter and leave the highway in a controlled manner in the interest of highway safety.

12 RESIDENTIAL TRAVEL INFORMATION PACKS

CONDITION: Prior to occupation of the proposed development, the Developer shall be responsible for the provision and implementation of a Residential Travel Information Pack per dwelling, for sustainable transport, approved by Essex County Council.

Reason: In the interests of reducing the need to travel by car and promoting sustainable development and transport.

13. FURTHER APPROVAL: MITIGATION TO BE AGREED, RAMS

CONDITION: The hereby approved development shall not be first commenced until detailed proposals addressing the mitigation of the development's impact on protected Essex Habitats Sites have been submitted to and received written approval from the Local Planning Authority. Such proposals must provide for mitigation in accordance with the joint Habitats Regulations Assessment Essex Coast Recreational Disturbance Avoidance and Mitigation Strategy (RAMS) or demonstrate mitigation measures of an equivalent effectiveness.

These proposals may require on site or off-site mitigation, but in either case must include evidence of the completion of a necessary legal agreement to secure the proposed mitigation and/or contribution towards mitigation. Please note a legal agreement will include legal fees and may require obligations to secure monitoring and associated fees. For any on site mitigation proposals approved, it shall be carried out in full and thereafter shall be maintained as approved.

REASON: In order to safeguard protected wildlife species and their habitats in accordance with the NPPF and Habitats Regulations. Failure to achieve satisfactory mitigation or contribution towards would result in harm by new residents due to the development's impact on protected sites.

NOTE/S FOR CONDITION:

This condition establishes the necessity to ensure the implementation of appropriate mitigation measures due to the impact of the approved development. Such mitigation may be required on-site, off-site, or a combination of both. Typically, a contribution towards visitor management measures at the protected Habitats Site(s) is the preferred and simplest approach to fulfil the requirements of this condition. To fulfil this requirement, you can contribute funds towards a range of mitigation projects in the protected areas. It is

essential to secure this provision through a legal agreement between the Council, Developer/Applicant, and site owners before commencement. If this is the approach to fulfilling this condition you wish to take, you are strongly advised to finalise the legal agreement with the Council before submitting any request to discharge this condition. Failure to conclude the agreement within the discharge of condition application timeframe may lead to the refusal to discharge the condition.

Please note if there are other obligations needed for this development, for example to secure monitoring and maintenance of a Biodiversity Net Gain Plan you may wish to combine these together as one legal agreement.

LEGAL AGREEMENT REQUIRED TO DISCHARGE CONDITION

As per the relevant condition above, this application requires mitigation against recreational impact in accordance with The Essex Coast Recreational disturbance Avoidance and Mitigation Strategy (RAMS) and Regulation 63 of the Conservation of Habitat and Species Regulations 2017. To satisfy a RAMS condition and allow a condition to be formally discharged, a completed UU must be submitted with a Discharge of Condition application.

Prior to the submission of the Discharge of Condition application, we can prepare the UU for you (to be reviewed by your solicitor) or we can review a draft UU you have provided (drafted by your solicitor). Both services will incur a charge.

Please see the 'Preparation of a UU' guidance on our website at: https://www.tendringdc.gov.uk/content/the-s-106-process

- 14. CONDITION: Prior to first occupation of the hereby approved development, a Biodiversity Enhancement Strategy for protected and Priority species shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The content of the Biodiversity Enhancement Strategy shall include the following:
 - a) Purpose and conservation objectives for the proposed enhancement measures:
 - b) detailed designs or product descriptions to achieve stated objectives;
 - c) locations, orientations, and heights of proposed enhancement measures by appropriate maps and plans;
 - d) timetable for implementation demonstrating that works are aligned with the proposed phasing of development;
 - e) persons responsible for implementing the enhancement measures;
 - f) details of initial aftercare and long-term maintenance (where relevant).

The works shall be implemented in accordance with the approved details prior to occupation and shall be retained in that manner thereafter.

REASON: To enhance protected and Priority species and habitats.

15. SPECIFIC RESTRICTION ON DEVELOPMENT: REMOVAL OF PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND ENCLOSURES

CONDITION: Notwithstanding Section 55 (2)(a)(ii) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended and the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015, (or any Order revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification):- no garage, car port, fence, gate, wall or any other means of enclosure, building or structure shall be erected except pursuant to the grant of planning permission on an application made in that regard.

REASON: To enable the Local Planning Authority to retain control over the development in the interests of the amenity of the locality and to safeguard local distinctiveness.

16. SPECIFIC RESTRICTION ON DEVELOPMENT: REMOVAL OF PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS EXTENSION AND ALTERATIONS

CONDITION: Notwithstanding Section 55 (2)(a)(ii) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended and the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015, (or any Order revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification):- - no enlargement, improvement, insertion of new openings or other alteration of the dwelling house(s) shall be carried out, except pursuant to the grant of planning permission on an application made in that regard.

REASON: To enable the Local Planning Authority to retain control over the development in the interests of the amenity of the locality and to safeguard local distinctiveness.

10. Informatives

Positive and Proactive Statement

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.

Highway Informatives

- i. There shall be no discharge of surface water onto the Highway
- ii. All work within or affecting the highway is to be laid out and constructed by prior arrangement with and to the requirements and specifications of the Highway Authority; all details shall be agreed before the commencement of works.

The applicants should be advised to contact the Development Management Team by email at development.management@essexhighways.org

- iii. The Highway Authority cannot accept any liability for costs associated with a developer's improvement. This includes design check safety audits, site supervision, commuted sums for maintenance and any potential claims under Part 1 and Part 2 of the Land Compensation Act 1973. To protect the Highway Authority against such compensation claims a cash deposit or bond may be required
- vi. The above conditions are to ensure that the proposal conforms to the relevant policies contained within the County Highway Authority's Development Management Policies, adopted as County Council Supplementary Guidance in February 2011.

11. Equality Impact Assessment

In making this recommendation/decision regard must be had to the public sector equality duty (PSED) under section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 (as amended). This means that the Council must have due regard to the need in discharging its functions that in summary include A) Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act; B. Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic* (See Table) and those who do not; C. Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic* and those who do not, including tackling prejudice and promoting understanding.

It is vital to note that the PSED and associated legislation are a significant consideration and material planning consideration in the decision-making process. This is applicable to all planning decisions including prior approvals, outline, full, adverts, listed buildings etc. It does not impose an

obligation to achieve the outcomes outlined in Section 149. Section 149 represents just one of several factors to be weighed against other pertinent considerations.

In the present context, it has been carefully evaluated that the recommendation articulated in this report and the consequent decision are not expected to disproportionately affect any protected characteristic* adversely. The PSED has been duly considered and given the necessary regard, as expounded below.

Protected Characteristics *	Analysis	Impact
Age	The proposal put forward will not likely have direct equality impacts on this target group.	Neutral
Disability	The proposal put forward will not likely have direct equality impacts on this target group.	Neutral
Gender Reassignment	The proposal put forward will not likely have direct equality impacts on this target group.	Neutral
Marriage or Civil Partnership	The proposal put forward will not likely have direct equality impacts on this target group.	Neutral
Pregnancy and Maternity	The proposal put forward will not likely have direct equality impacts on this target group.	Neutral
Race (Including colour, nationality and ethnic or national origin)	The proposal put forward will not likely have direct equality impacts on this target group.	Neutral
Sexual Orientation	The proposal put forward will not likely have direct equality impacts on this target group.	Neutral
Sex (gender)	The proposal put forward will not likely have direct equality impacts on this target group.	Neutral
Religion or Belief	The proposal put forward will not likely have direct equality impacts on this target group.	Neutral