# **MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

# **PLANNING COMMITTEE**

# **18 APRIL 2024**

#### REPORT OF THE HEAD OF DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT

# **DEFERRED ITEMS**

The following applications stand deferred from previous meetings of the Planning Committee. The Head of Development Management will report orally at the meeting on the latest situation.

APPLICATION	DATE DEFERRED
21/503412/FULL - ERECTION OF 8 NO. FULL MASTS AND 4 NO. LOWER MASTS FLOODLIGHTING TO SERVE THE SPORTS PITCHES - MARDEN SPORTS CLUB, MAIDSTONE ROAD, MARDEN, KENT	19 October 2023 adjourned to 26 October 2023
Deferred to:	
Assess the cumulative impact of the existing lighting, the lighting for the proposed padel courts and the lighting associated with this application;	
Seek night-time photographs to see what the existing lighting looks like;	
Seek details of a landscape scheme;	
Seek details of the boundary treatments, including the acoustic fencing (height etc.) and bund to assess the visual impact and also to understand the planning status of the bund and fencing;	
Seek up to date ecological information (including a bat survey) and an assessment of biodiversity net gain; and	
Seek more information about the light spectrum proposed as the red end of the spectrum is less intrusive.	
23/503671/FULL - DEMOLITION OF EXISTING HOUSE AND OUTBUILDING. ERECTION OF 2 NO. DWELLINGS INCLUDING EXTENSION OF EXISTING CROSSOVER AND ASSOCIATED PARKING - MONTROSE, SUTTON ROAD, LANGLEY, MAIDSTONE, KENT	14 December 2023

#### Deferred to:

Negotiate with the applicant regarding the architectural quality of the development and to retain the landscape character;

Seek a condition that retains cordwood from tree felling;

Amend condition 5 (biodiversity) to seek a biodiversity net gain of 20%; and

Amend condition 6 (ecology) to remove the word 'not' from the first sentence, to read "The development hereby approved shall only proceed (including site clearance), in accordance with the advice in the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (Arbtech, May 2023)."

23/504118/FULL - CHANGE OF USE OF 1 HECTARE
(2.5 ACRES) OF AGRICULTURAL LAND TO USE AS A
DOG WALKING PADDOCK WITH ASSOCIATED
1.8METRE HEIGHT FENCING, GATE, AND PARKING HOOK FARM, KINGS LANE, MARDEN, KENT

15 February 2024 adjourned to 22 February 2024

#### Deferred to:

Seek an ecological survey particularly in relation to the impact of intensive dog activity on the grassland and wildlife (nutrient enrichment issues, dog waste, disturbance and smell etc.);

Seek a mixed native hedge along the fence across the field to soften the impact visually and on wildlife; and

Seek information about how the grassland and hedgerows will be maintained and further details of access, egress and the turning head, and safeguards in terms of potential conflict between dogs and the access track.

23/504552/FULL - DEMOLITION OF EXISTING
BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES AND ERECTION OF A
MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT COMPRISING 217NO.
RESIDENTIAL DWELLINGS AND 1,863.5SQM OF
COMMERCIAL FLOORSPACE (COMPRISING FLEXIBLE
E USE CLASSES) COMPRISING BLOCK A (6-7
STOREYS), BLOCK B (8-9 STOREYS), BLOCK C & D
(7-8 STOREYS), BLOCK E (3 STOREYS), PUBLIC

21 March 2024 adjourned to 25 March 2024 REALM WORKS (SANDLING ROAD FRONTAGE AND PUBLIC PIAZZA), CAR AND CYCLE PARKING, LANDSCAPING, INFRASTRUCTURE (INTERNAL ROADS), EARTHWORKS, AND ANCILLARY WORKS (SUB-STATIONS AND GENERATOR) - FORMER ROYAL MAIL SORTING OFFICE, SANDLING ROAD, MAIDSTONE, KENT

#### Deferred to:

Explore the possibility of more contextual massing in the design of buildings;

Explore improving the quality of the open space proposed including more useable spaces; and

Explore locking the applicant into the delivery of 100% affordable housing by way of, for example, a Grampian condition or cascade legal agreement.