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The application was referred to the planning committee by Chart Sutton Parish Council on the grounds that it represented an over-concentration of local sites that are damaging the character and appearance of the open countryside. This proposal was therefore contrary to ENV28. The site is an unsustainable location, with poor transport links to local services such as schools, health facilities and shops.

Through Cllr Munford Chart Sutton Parish Council have confirmed that they are content with the reasons for refusal outlined below that were drafted by officers (and as set out in the main report) and as a result Chart Sutton Parish Council have removed the call in to committee.

Recommended reasons for refusal

"In the absence of information pertaining to Gypsy and Traveller status there is no justification for allowing this development with the harm it would cause to the countryside, and the visual impact on the rural character and appearance of the area. As such the proposal is contrary to the NPPF and the PPTS, and to policies SP17 (The Countryside) and DM15 (Gypsy, Traveller and Travelling Show-persons accommodation) of Maidstone Local Plan (2017)"

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation remains unchanged