

**PLANNING COMMITTEE: 16<sup>th</sup> June 2020**  
**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

The “Supplementary Information” report supplements the main Planning Agenda. It is produced on the day of the Committee and is circulated at the Committee meeting. It is used as a means of reporting matters that have arisen after the Agenda has been completed/circulated, which the Committee should be aware of before considering any application reported for determination.

**Correspondence received is available for inspection.**

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19/01902/FUL	Erection of 33 dwellings with associated landscaping, highways and drainage infrastructure (revised scheme of 19/00099/FUL). Bowden Fencing, Leicester Lane, Great Bowden
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Foul drainage question:

Concerns have been raised on where the site compound access would go on the Bowden Fencing site.

Residents are happy to see the foul drainage run along the site access road, but wonder how vehicles will access the site when this work is undertaken.

The concerns are that the badger set was moved to the back of the Mulberry site, which would possibly prevent vehicle access at the rear and the route to the allotments is on the other side.

I think the residents have witnessed so much damage to verges etc. from the Mulberry development and Anglian Water, some clarification would be helpful on this.

Agents response:

Roads and sewers are understandably the first phase of development on any site. The access point is generally also used as the point where the foul connection is made within the adopted highway. As such this is not an uncommon issue.

Typically the trench will be dug and the connection will be made within an agreed programme controlled by the ground working contractor. As such they can control site access to ensure the trenching works do not cause any issues.

The trench will be located along the edge of the access road and as it is only carrying one pipe it will not be very wide, this will protect access. In any event, when the trench is in place it will be made safe for users of the access road through the use of steel road plates that will cover the trench and protect its integrity.

The construction traffic will enter along the access road. For example, we will not be using the old access road that runs between the houses for any reason. All parking for contractors will be within the site and not on Leicester Lane.

Mulberry Homes site:

For the sake of clarity at the time of the officers site visit, the Mulberry Homes site was under construction and the dwellings adjacent to the site were un-occupied, partially constructed or not constructed. Residential amenity issues with regard to Mulberry

Homes dwellings are covered in para 6.50 of the report. A site notice was put up on 24/12/19 and Press Notice went in the Harborough Mail on 26/12/19.

**For the sake of clarity: Policy GD2 Settlement Development (see para 6.6 of report)**

As the site is within the village boundary of Great Bowden as defined in the Made Neighbourhood Plan it falls to be considered under Point 1 of the policy 'within existing and committed built-up area of ....selected rural villages,' and not point 2 which relates to schemes outside defined limits of development.

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### GD2 Settlement development

1. In addition to sites allocated by this Local Plan and neighbourhood plans, development within the existing or committed built up area of Market Harborough, Key Centres, the Leicester Principal Urban Area (PUA), Rural Centres and Selected Rural Villages will be permitted where:
  - a. it respects the form and character of the existing settlement and, as far as possible, it retains existing natural boundaries within and around the site, particularly trees, hedges and watercourses; or
  - b. it includes the redevelopment or conversion of redundant or disused buildings, or previously developed land of low environmental value, and enhances its immediate setting.
2. In addition to sites allocated in this Local Plan and neighbourhood plans, development adjoining the existing or committed built up area of Market Harborough, Key Centres, the Leicester Principal Urban Area (PUA), Rural Centres and Selected Rural Villages will be permitted where:
  - a. it does not disproportionately exceed the settlement's minimum housing requirement in Policy H1, taking into account allocations, completions and commitments (where there is no residual minimum housing requirement due to allocations, completions and commitments, only minor additional residential development will be supported); or
  - b. it is necessary to meet an identified district-wide housing need, or local housing need as evidenced through a housing needs survey or a neighbourhood plan; or
  - c. it comprises the redevelopment or conversion of redundant or disused buildings, or the development of previously developed land of low environmental value, and enhances its immediate setting;
  - d. its scale, individually or cumulatively with existing and committed development, reflects the size of the settlement concerned and the level of service provision within that settlement;
  - e. it is physically and visually connected to and respects the form and character of the existing settlement and landscape;
  - f. it retains as far as possible existing natural boundaries within and around the site, particularly trees, hedges and watercourses;
  - g. it complies with Policies GD6 and GD7.

### Comment on behalf of Leicester Lane residents (12<sup>th</sup> June)

19/01902/FUL – additional issues re the proposed development from Leicester Lane Residents

Lane Residents would like to submit the attached PDF (19\_01902\_FUL\_supplementary\_issue\_Leicester\_\_Lane\_CMS\_CEMP) and have its content made known to Planning Committee members as part of the 'supplementary' information for application 19/01902/FUL on 16 June, 2020.

The document references Condition 8 of the Officer's report; it expresses our concern at the lack of detail – even in draft form – from Barwood Homes re a Construction Method Statement/Construction Environmental Management Plan. Our document contains policies and conditions that we see as essential to the final CMS. With one or two additions these conditions are as those negotiated with, and accepted by, Mulberry Homes (18/00692/REM).

Councillor Champion and Councillor Knowles are aware that experience has taught Leicester Lane residents the value of having early sight of, and input into, such documents. Therefore we would be grateful if the attached document could be made available to the Planning Committee for discussion and, if necessary, endorsement.

Details suggested to Barwood Homes for inclusion in their CMS/CEMP:

#### TRAFFIC / SITE MANAGEMENT PLAN

A detailed Traffic Management Plan to be created and form part of the Construction Environmental Management Plan; such plan to include – in addition to the site layout and construction sequence – the location of the Site Compound, its organisation/layout, and detailed access and parking arrangements both for site staff, contractors, visitors and delivery / collection personnel. This Traffic / Site Management Plan or an Annex to this Plan to Identify the location and length of Green Lane – a designated Local Green Space (LGS), protected under, amongst other legislation, Great Bowden's Neighbourhood Plan (GBNP) Policy ENV2. Additionally, this Plan or an Annex to this Plan to identify the location and length of the access road to the rear garages/parking bays/gardens of Numbers 14 to 32 Leicester Lane; and which road is also the access and service road of the Leicester Lane Allotments, which are designated an Important Open Space under GBNP Policy ENV3, and protected as such.

#### CONSTRUCTION TRAFFIC & DELIVERY ROUTE PLAN

The instructions to include:

The permitted travel route(s) to the site for various sizes and classes of vehicle.

A clear restriction (fines apply) re 'No access to or from the site via Great Bowden Village' Pre-delivery /pre-journey information for suppliers with details of enforcement procedures for non-compliance.

[Councillors, please note:

The canal bridge on Leicester Lane (SP 732891) is circa 210 years old; it was not constructed to withstand pounding from 4, 5 and 6-axle vehicles carrying 30 tonne and upwards; it is protected as a Non-Designated Heritage Asset under Policy ENV6 of GBNP. Protection of Non-Designated Heritage Assets is also covered by HLP HC1.4.] Serious problems have been caused by heavy vehicles cutting through the village and coming onto Leicester Lane via Dingley Rd and Main St – then exiting by the same route. This is extremely dangerous for residents, school children, parents, and other road users; try backing up Main Street in a convoy of three cars in the face of an on-coming, 6-axle, 40-tonner that cannot go anywhere because it is already gouging out curb stones on the nearside to avoid scrapping the parked vehicles on its offside. Insane.]

#### PARKING FOR VISITORS, STAFF & CONTRACTORS

Designated areas and access instructions to be clearly denoted on the Traffic / Site Management Plan. To include a clear and enforceable instruction (fines apply) that no cars, vans or delivery vehicles are to await entry to the site or park along the grass verges of Leicester Lane at any time under any circumstances. [Please note: Leicester Lane verge is designated as Other Important Open Space under GBNP Policy ENV3 and protected as such.]

A clear and enforceable instruction (fines apply) that no cars, vans or delivery vehicles are to await entry to the site or park, or obstruct in any way, the entirety of Green Lane and/or the Leicester Lane Allotments service road. A reiteration of the fact that there is no access to the site via either route.

## DELIVERIES

In this section, among other things, residents would expect to see: Acknowledgement that the traffic / site management plan together with the construction traffic and delivery route plan (plus any Annexes) will be issued to all site personnel and to contractors during pre-construction meetings; acknowledgement that those plans will be attached to all orders for supplies and services.

A process for becoming aware of imminent deliveries and a system for controlling the arrival and departure of construction vehicles over the designated routes; if necessary, the designation of a suitable 'holding area' (such as the lorry spaces at the MacDonald's roundabout; the parking bay half-way up/down Burnmill Hill), so as to avoid construction traffic queuing anywhere on Leicester Lane, or on the corner of Burnmill Rd/Main St/Leicester Lane junction.

A commitment by the site management team to enforce the agreed traffic routes and exclusions; to impose financial penalties on miscreants; and to continue to enforce the agreed policies for the entire duration of Barwood's involvement with the site.

A statement that deliveries to site are not to be made / will not be accepted at the site before 09.15 or after 15.15.

A note for drivers about the process once they arrive at the secure site compound re safe unloading, turning and exiting the site (the latter to include wheel washing).

## HOURS OF OPERATION:

We would expect to see HDC's standard condition here, viz,

Construction takes place between the hours of 08:00 – 18:00 from Monday to Friday; and on Saturdays between 08:00 – 13:00; no Sunday or Bank Holiday working is permitted unless agreed, in advance, with HDC's Planners and notified to residents. And a re-enforcement about the hours during which deliveries are accepted on site, that is, not before 09.15 or after 15:15.

## Common topics:

We expect to see the other standard headings of CMS included and expanded upon. For instance, Wheel Washing requirements, Noise, Dust, Piling, Management of Surface Water, Site Safety and Protective Clothing, First Aid, Waste Streams, including please, a process for the careful disposal of Contractors' waste (drink cans and bottles, sandwich bags/wrappings, cigarette and tobacco packets, 'sharps' and other drug paraphernalia, etc.).

[Messrs Barwood please note that residents are beyond their tolerance level with regard to litter. We are taxed by having constantly to collect contractors' waste from our verges and hedgerows where it is thrown by workers from Mulberry's site. We do not wish this problem to continue for another 3 years, therefore we would appreciate a strong lead from Barwood's management re the disposal of contractors' personal litter.]

In relation to Noise, can it be noted in Tool Box Talks that houses between No 26 – 38 are home to people who often work long shifts, frequently at night; trying to sleep during the day while the full force of construction activities are underway is a significant, and additional, health hazard.

## PROTECTION OF THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

Lane Residents are particularly engaged in the protection of their natural environment and we wish to see a set of protocols in the CMS/CEMP that indicate pro-active management action in this regard. Actions such as the site manager undertaking at least daily site walks to inspect existing trees, hedges, perimeter boundaries, existing watercourses and so forth to ensure that no damage has occurred during site activities; plus a protocol for reporting such damage to senior management / HDC and a process for agreeing remediation.

Additionally, with regard to protected species, for this development we expect reference to the agreed practices and processes – conditioned by the LCC's Principal Ecologist – and set out in FCPR's Great Bowden Sawmill Ecological Appraisal, November 2019, paragraphs 4.4, 4.5 (protected species: bats) and paragraph 4.8 and 4.9 (protected species badgers). (As also referenced in planning Condition 14.)

The information contained in Paragraph 4.9 of the above report is key, and we encourage Barwood to publish it in the CMS/CEMP and to make it the subject of pre-commencement and on-going Tool Box Talks.

Badgers – Precautionary working methods for the construction period including:

- Profiling of trenches / footings to allow an escape route from any such trench within the development site. If this is not feasible, sturdy wooden planks should be placed within each trench at the end of each working day, to provide a ramp by which trapped animals may escape.
- Careful consideration will also be given to the location of topsoil storage mounds that can readily become used by badgers for the creation of new setts.
- Any pipe work used within the development site with a diameter of 150mm or above will be capped at the end of each working day to stop badgers or other wildlife from becoming trapped.
- The site manager will ensure the above methods are carried out at the end of each works day until the completion of all ground works are complete. (We would add: Such checks to continue until the site is clear of spoil heaps, and accumulated pipes, fencing, blocks, brickwork, hardcore, sand/gravel and other construction paraphernalia that pose a hazard to badgers and other fauna.)

CONTACTS:

A public liaison contact and contact details for the Site Manger (emergency issues), together with Ecological Contact would be useful.

#### Barwood Homes (15<sup>th</sup> June)

I have discussed the CEMP requirements put forward by the Leicester lane residents with our Technical Director. He is comfortable that many of the provisions put forward by them will be covered in your standard CEMP condition. We are, of course happy to address concerns from local residents in the drafting of the CEMP which will ultimately form part of the discharge of condition submission.

#### On behalf of Leicester Lane residents (15<sup>th</sup> June)

1. Is the officer confident that she is upholding the integrity of the planning system when she dismisses a valid, in force, local plan policy on the basis of conjecture? The law says the planning system should be planted. The officer's comments, subsequent to the first sentence of para 6.13, as far as we can tell, have no foundation in the policies of the Local Plan; indeed no foundation in planning law.

The officer's comments amount to a personal opinion based on a conjecture about what might happen in the future.

Also, we contend that any independent Planning Inspector worthy of their profession would not allow their judgement of the case to be affected by such conjecture.

Subsequent to a 'refusal', given Paragraph 6.13 in evidence, we hold that a professional Planning Inspector would not be swayed by the apparent 'abandonment' of the site as a ruse to overcome the provisions of Great Bowden's Neighbourhood Plan Policy EMP1a.

In addition, are the Councillors certain that if they approve the officer's decision they are making a sound, judgement? We ask, because if you pass application 19/01902/FUL your decision will have a profound effect on Neighbourhood Planners throughout the District. A signal will be sent that none of their up-to-date, in-force policies are safe from being dismissed as inconsequential and immaterial because of officer say-so!

2 Are Councillors confident that the HDC Planning Department is upholding the integrity of the national and local planning system by, seemingly, acting as an 'agent' or 'sponsor' for the owners and developers of Bowden Fencing's site, and their efforts to seek to overcome the provisions of Great Bowden's Neighbourhood Plan Policy EMP1?

We draw Councillors' attention to the Key Activities on page 3 of the: Marketing Report in Support of Planning Application ref HDC/19/01902/FUL, the former Bowden Fencing site, at Leicester lane, Great Bowden, Market Harborough. LE16 7HA, prepared by Godfrey Paton, Chartered Surveyors.

For example (key activities):

29 April 2019 - Round table meeting with owners, agents, applicants and planning officers at which there was agreement in principle as to the way forward and the need for a marketing exercise to be undertaken.

June 2019 — Various email exchanges with planning officers at HDC seeking confirmation that these activities satisfy the policy requirements.

July 2019 - response from HDC seeking some amendments to the sale particulars concerning inter alia, layout, price, tenure, photographs, boundary plan, planning history and potential for change of use. Also correspondence re hard copy advertising in the modern commercial property market.

July 2019 - all the planning officers suggestions and requirement were implemented, revised sale particulars were produced and submitted to HDC, and uploaded onto the Godfrey-Payton and Rightmove Commercial websites.

We also ask you to note that the title of the marketing report misleads. It refers to the site as the former Bowden Fencing site. Councillors there is nothing former about it. Bowden Fencing is a going-concern and continues to trade from the site, as it has done for over forty years.

We are uncomfortable with the lack of transparency in Paragraph 6.14 of the officer's report: "The valuation report was carried out by a very experienced surveyor with professional knowledge of the local area since 1973." The report is signed by J G Jacobs F.R.I.C.S As the fact has been mentioned a number of times previously, we conclude that Councillors are aware that a senior consultant at Godfrey Paton, Jim Jacobs, (J G Jacobs) is a co-owner of the Bowden Fencing site. Mr Jacobs gained membership of RICS in October 1975.

Attached for the perusal of Councillors is a copy of the register of the title number set out immediately below, showing the entries in the register on 15 JUN 2020 at 08:23:53. Title number LT379658. Based on the 'public domain' information available

to Lane residents (as just cited and attached) we believe it is 'reasonable' to assume that these Titles and Restrictions hold. And from which document it is clear that James Gordon Jacobs along with Mr and Mrs Richard Bufton are the registered title holders, subject to a restriction imposed by an 'option to buy' granted to Messrs Barwood, et al.

Councillors you must draw your own conclusions; however, when Mr Jacobs submitted a report to support (the subsequently withdrawn) application 19/00099/FUL (see report on portal, 03 Apr 2019, OWNER'S COMMERCIAL AGENT 3/4/19), we hold that the advice we (residents) obtained at that time still stands: It would seem that Jim Jacobs has no formal standing in this matter and should be accorded no special status whatsoever. As I understand the position he is not the applicant. If, as appears to be the case, he is a joint owner of the land concerned, then he is an "interested person", but no more than that. His views should not be treated as anything more than representations and should not be given any special treatment over and above that afforded to the views of, say, local residents/objectors. Given the above, and the Key Activities described on page 3 of the aforementioned marketing report, are Councillors assured that HDC's Scrutiny Committee will find that Planners have acted to maintain the integrity of the local planning system and the public's confidence in it?

#### Barwood Homes (15<sup>th</sup> June) relaying information from Jim Jacobs FRICS

I am happy for you to confirm to the planning officer by copy of this email should you so wish, that upon the retirement of the family solicitor who was up to then a trustee, I was asked to be a trustee of the trust that holds the land for the benefit of the trust beneficiaries, and that I am definitely not a beneficiary and therefore in my capacity as a trustee I have absolutely no pecuniary interest in either the trust or the land and indeed of any potential sale proceeds.

20/00004/FUL	<p>Creation of a new external artificial sports pitch with associated features; including a Hockey Turf Pitch (HTP), an extended tennis/netball court, perimeter fencing with gated entrances and artificial floodlighting systems:</p> <p>The Robert Smyth School, Burnmill Road, Market Harborough</p>
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**4 further letters of support received including:**

Mr Scully, Head of Physical Education, RSA

*“I hope this email finds you well. Thank you in advance for taking the time to read my email, I appreciate you are very busy. I am writing to you to outline my reasons behind supporting the planning application at Robert Smyth Academy.*

*Please do not underestimate the enthusiasm, excitement and drive for this development to be undertaken not only from the point of view of the academy, but also the wider community. I am proud to have worked at Robert Smyth as a PE teacher since 2002, and as head of PE and as a staff governor since 2012...*

*The drive for this application has been built over many years. The local hockey club have approached Robert Smyth for several years regarding the possibility of an all-weather facility and Harborough District Council has worked hard to support this showing commitment to the project. With this development we have a great opportunity to enhance the lives of local people and I certainly hope we can embrace and support that opportunity. These opportunities do not come around very often.*

*Our school has a nationally renowned and accredited sports leadership academy where students gain qualifications and support local clubs and schools. This development would enhance our capacity to run further primary events and competitions for all the local primary schools (we currently work with over 15 for events) thus engaging and supporting the community further ...*

*Our academy is growing and as such the PE provision and facilities need to grow to meet that demand. Our current curriculum provision is hindered by the lack of appropriate outdoor space in times when the weather deteriorates. In this academic year, due to the poor weather students were unable to participate in outdoor lessons from mid-December through to March and outdoor home fixtures during this period were cancelled. The ability to provide an all-weather outdoor facility would solve this issue enabling all year-round provision which will not only benefit students undertaking lessons outside but also enable more space inside for other students thus enhancing delivery and experience for all. Further enhancement of their curriculum and extra-curricular provision, will further support their well-being further.*

*Currently we cannot deliver hockey on the grounds of health and safety (no suitable surface) meaning that despite its growing popularity following the success of the national team we are unable to engage students in this sport. The opportunity to increase the breadth of our curriculum with hockey will be supported by the ability to*



*offer an exit route to a fantastic and progressive club that would be hosting sessions on our site. We would be able to signpost our students and those of all the local primary clubs. In addition to the benefits the development will bring to our PE provision there is currently very little suitable outdoor space for students in the winter months at break and lunchtime and once again this facility would enhance this provision and support student well-being.*

*Clearly sitting alongside the obvious benefits to us as an academy is the fantastic potential of a community hub that can be used in the evening and at the weekend, within the proposed timings...There are local clubs filled with local volunteers who will utilise this facility fully to support the health and well-being of the community. It is therefore integral to the application that we afford appropriate evening and Saturday usage to help meet the local demand....*

*As head of PE at Robert Smyth, I felt it was appropriate to contact you to reassure you that I will help ensure that this community sports hub meets the needs of the local community and I will maximise its impact for our students and those from primary schools through facilitating events and disseminating information on opportunities available at the site.”*

Dan Cleary, Principal, RSA

*“I am writing to you on behalf of our school community as we approach a significant moment of opportunity for Harborough residents. I have confidence that all members will understand both the panoramic and microscopic aspects of the proposal to build an All Weather Pitch at Robert Smyth Academy. I would like to thank you for the care and consideration that you have shown our proposals.*

*Our plans represent the culmination of a two year consultation with our community; students, parents, residents and fantastic local and national partners. For our students, this facility will provide educational equity that they deserve. It will allow us to enhance their curriculum and experience of sports which will lead to even more lifelong participation. Thank you for considering their letters of support for this project.*

*The vision for this facility is bigger than our school. We have been guided by a historical imperative throughout the last two years and our ambition is to become a significant contributor to the quality of life of all residents. Our school is ideally positioned to be a willing, responsible and positive community partner at a time when it seems even clearer that living a healthy, active life is fundamental for all. We proudly recognise that this facility represents the single greatest material contribution that our school will have made to the local community in recent years. We are committed to uplifting thousands of people in Harborough through sport and activity through our facilities.*

*It is imperative that these facilities are accessible to our community and we welcome the planning officer's revised floodlit hours that better cater for our exceptional key partner, Market Harborough Hockey Club. Furthermore, these new hours are crucial to secure the approval of Sport England and their funding in order to facilitate the community usage Harborough residents need as identified in the council's Playing Pitch Strategy and "Bowls, Tennis and Netball Report". We know the 5:30 pm floodlighting curfew on Monday and Friday will limit residents from using the facility and that slightly later hours, perhaps 7 or 8 pm, would facilitate more meaningful*

community use. We remain committed to working with all stakeholders to ensure that we make a positive, sustained impact.

*I have confidence that this committee will show vision for our community by realising the enormous potential of this plan. We will deliver an inclusive facility and secure great benefits to Harborough residents for generations to come with your support. I truly believe that this is a 'once in a generation' opportunity. We must not miss it.*

*Thank you for your continued support.”*

### **1 further letter of objection received:**

*“Most of us have lived alongside the school for over twenty years with few problems apart from some traffic congestion when older students learn to drive. Sports days and the odd Saturday rugby game have been no problem at all.*

*So, at first glance what is being proposed appears quite reasonable until you start to look at what is involved; fifty-foot lighting columns are to be erected and an intention to play at all hours, every day of the week all so close to these residents.*

*What is being proposed is wrong. It completely alters the balance between residential amenity and the need for improved sports facilities. The residents are being adversely impacted by the financial requirements of the school and the grandiose ideas of the hockey club in pursuit of a commercial, open all hours hockey pitch. Completely disregarding the huge impacts that light and noise will have on nearby residents.”*

### **Further Sport England comments (15.06.20):**

*“Hours of use*

*The revised report further considers the use of sports lighting and the hours of use. You will be aware that Sport England advised that a requirement to control the lighting as previously recommended would deliver a facility which could not support community hockey and would not provide full benefit in the use of the facility. Therefore the proposal could not be supported, as it would not fully meet the requirements of our policy and the aims of the Harborough District Council Playing Pitch Strategy (PPS) these concerns are reported in the revised committee report.*

*The June 16th committee report discusses and recommend a comprise which allows weekday use to 21.00 on Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday and Saturdays until 17.30, The reports advises that the suggested amendment to condition 2 seeks to better meet user needs, but is considered to still achieve satisfactory mitigation for neighbouring amenities in the round – some days have later floodlight use than 19:00 and some an earlier cut off to provide respite.*

*Sport England considers following discussion with England Hockey, who are clearly want to ensure that facilities best meet the needs of clubs, that the revised hours recommended would not fully support all of the clubs planned use, growth and development proposals but would be the minimum necessary to deliver a viable and sustainable facility which meets he aims of the PPS.*

*Therefore we are content that on balance the extended hours result in a proposal which meet the requirements of exception E5 of our policy as advised in our no objection response dated 6th March 2020.*

*In our initial response we advised that our no objection was subject to two conditions these being, community use and the removal of an existing artificial grass cricket wicket. Your email seeks confirmation of suggested wording for the conditions.*

*Condition 5 – Community Use Agreement.*

*As advised, the reference to pricing policy has been removed. We do not have an issue with the removal of the pricing policy. As in many cases funding partners will impose conditions on the approval of grant awards which are likely to cover pricing policy.*

*Condition 6 – Artificial Grass Wicket Removal.*

*Sport England is content with the recommended/revised wording which meets the aims of the condition suggested previously.”*

**Further England Hockey comments (15.06.20):**

*“England Hockey has spoken with Robert Smyth Academy, Market Harborough Hockey Club and Sport England to ensure that the recommended lighting hours will enable club activity to be undertaken on the new pitch. We can confirm that we are satisfied that they do and therefore we support the revised times submitted for the application for the Artificial Hockey Pitch at Robert Smyth Academy.*

*Having the lights operational until 2100on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday will allow the club to carry out both junior and adult training during weekdays although it should be noted that there will be limited opportunities for informal community recreational activity, not just planned Hockey activity, to take place outside of these times with the reduction of lighting on a Monday and Friday.*

*The England Hockey Junior Performance Pathway activity runs on Friday evenings during the season and we were hopeful of attracting sessions to Robert Smyth Academy but accept that this will no longer be possible.*

*Lights being available to the pitch until 1730hrs on a Saturday will accommodate competitive matches during the League season. All Sunday hockey activity can be planned to fall within hours of daylight.*

*The grants that England Hockey have supported the school and club in securing from external funders have been awarded on the understanding of community use and we believe that the continued offer of financial support will be dependent on the planning officers recommended hours being accepted.”*

**Planning Application 20/00743/FUL** has been received by the Planning Officer since the 2<sup>nd</sup> June Committee:

20/00743/FUL	Tudor Grange Academies Trust	The Robert Smyth School, Burnmill Road, Market Harborough	Proposed revised staff car parking and cycle parking facilities
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The Applicant's Design & Access Statement explains:

*"The proposal seeks to make a modest alteration and enlargement to the existing on-site staff car parking facilities adjacent to the northern vehicular entrance to the Robert Smyth Academy campus.*

...

*The existing staff parking area in question has 31 spaces, this proposal is to enlarge this and re-configure the existing car parking area to increase numbers by 15, to a total of 46.*

*There are 109 existing on-site car parking spaces on the entire Academy area, this proposal will increase the staff car parking area by 15 to 46, making a total of 124 car parking spaces on site, an increase of 13%.*

...

*108 new cycle parking spaces will also be provided in proprietary rail stands.*

...

*the alterations seek to improve the car parking of the existing site, making the area better accessible to all staff."*

It is understood that the car parking is for School staff (and other users outside School hours) and the cycle parking is primarily for School pupils (and other users outside School hours).

20/00540/FUL	Erection of a single storey rear extension. Ferndale House, Mill Hill Road, Arnesby
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20/00579/FUL	Change of use of land to cemetery including installation of close board fence Cemetery Ce3, Main Street, Foxton
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## Planning Committee Speakers List – 16<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Speakers please note that the Council's constitution requires evening meetings to end after three hours, unless the Committee votes to continue the meeting. If a meeting does adjourn, remaining business will be considered at a time and date fixed by the Chairman or at the next ordinary meeting of the Committee and the existing speakers list will be carried forward.

Application	Parish	Speaker	Type	Time (mins)
19/01902/FUL	Great Bowden	Carolyn Ford	O	3
		Peter Mitchell	O	3
		Richard Moor	O	3
		Ned Fox	A	9
		Robert Hooper	PC	3
		Cllr Knowles	WM	5
20/00004/FUL	Market Harborough	Lorraine Wilson	O	4.5
		Ian Larrington	O	4.5
		Duncan Bennett	AG	3
		Lee Fletcher	A	3
		Nick Riley	A	3
		Cllr Johnson	WM	5
		Cllr Fosker	WM	5
20/00540/FUL	Arnesby			
20/00579/FUL	Foxton			

**Key to Speaker Type: O = Objector, S = Supporter, PC = Parish Council, A = Applicant/to speak on behalf of applicant, AG = Agent, STC = subject to confirmation, WM = Ward Member**

### **PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2019/20**

***Councillors Mrs Ackerley, Dr Bremner, Mrs Burrell, Champion (Chairman), Frenchman, Galton, James, Liquorish and Modha (Vice-Chairman).***

***Please note – any Councillor unable to attend a meeting can be substituted with prior notice being given. Any substitutions will be announced at the start of each meeting.***