

From: Neil Hargreaves <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 18 December 2019 14:36
To: JOHN SLATER <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Demetria Macdonald <[REDACTED]>
Subject: [External]..Re: Gladman appeal result

Dear Mr Slater,

The parish council considers the WRS conclusion on air quality and traffic to be a 'not proven' rather than conclusive. This view is supported by the Inspector saying the concerns are 'not without merit'. The decision not to object was purely on financial grounds. The PC still consider that there are, and would be, air quality and road congestion problems if further significant development is permitted,

Following the Countryside appeal refusal the PC invited Gladman to withdraw their appeal (to save every party the significant cost). However they carried on and said they would claim costs against the rule 6 PC if traffic or air quality was contested. The parish council was already committed to spend across both appeals £100,000 and its reserves were severely depleted. With another appeal scheduled immediately after Gladman, and the significant possibility of another major housing application, the PC could take no further financial risk.

However, following a meeting between the members of the PC, the barrister and the PC's planning consultant, the consultant strongly encouraged residents to bring the traffic and AQ matters to the appeal. You have seen from a previous response the resident's submission to the inquiry, the Gladman response and a response to their response.

The PC planning consultant is very firm on only bringing to appeals things he considers a winner or an issue creating material doubt.

Best regards

Neil Hargreaves

From: JOHN SLATER <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 16 December 2019 15:52
To: Neil Hargreaves <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Demetria Macdonald <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Re: Gladman appeal result

Dear Cllr Hargreaves

Thank you for sending me this appeal decision.

I have only one matter that I would welcome clarification- can you expand on the reasons the Parish Council withdrew its objections on the grounds of air quality and highway matters to the Gladman proposal. Was it because the Parish Council accepted the Inspector's conclusions on the WRS site on these matters?

Kind regards

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On 15 Dec 2019, at 20:39, Neil Hargreaves <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Dear Mr Slater

The Inspector's decision is attached. 'WRS' means Wicken Road South = Countryside

The Steering Group's evidence and opinion in general relating to para 62 of the judgement are in the draft Plan and in responses to the consultation. However, if you would like a further brief assessment specific to the decision and how much weight might be given to para 62, the Steering Group would be happy to supply

Best Regards and Happy Christmas

Neil Hargreaves
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