

Hayley Morley

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Sent: 11 June 2019 14:03
To: Hayley Morley
Cc: Roger Harborough; Nigel Brown; Luke Mills
Subject: RE: [External]..UTT/19/0125/FUL - Case Officer

Dear Ms Morley,

Thank you for your email.

I apologise for the delay in the time that it has taken to deal with the application. Unfortunately, this has been down to high workloads.

However, I have allocated the case to myself yesterday, the deadline for the 26th June committee is today.

In briefly looking at the application there appears to be circa 800 representations that have been received, objections from the Town Council and an outstanding holding objection on the system from ECC SUDs. From speaking to Luke it is understood that SUDs has now been addressed of which I will look into the matter.

Whilst I will endeavour to make every effort to get this application assessed as soon as possible unfortunately with the best will in the world I do not have enough time to fully assess and draft a report for the June Committee. I will endeavour to get this to the 24 July Planning Committee and I would appreciate an extension of time until 29th July 2019 to allow me to do so.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries.

Kind Regards,

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From: Hayley Morley [mailto:Hayley.Morley@StruttAndParker.com]

Sent: 11 June 2019 12:37

To: Maria Shoesmith

Cc: Roger Harborough

Subject: [External]..UTT/19/0125/FUL - Case Officer

Importance: High

UTT/19/0125/FUL

Demolition of existing warehouse and redevelopment of the site to provide a 68 bedroom care home (Use Class C2) together with associated car parking, landscaping and amenity space

Homebase Limited, Elizabeth Close, Saffron Walden

Dear Ms Shoesmith,

I am e-mailing in connection with the above planning application which was validated on 9th February 2019. The target determination date for the application was 8th May, however an extension of time to Friday 28th June was recently agreed on the basis that the application would be determined at the Planning Committee on 26th June.

The pre-application process and the subsequent planning application have been dealt with by Luke Mills, however he informed me on 3rd June that he has been moved to the Garden Communities team with immediate effect, and is no longer the case officer. I am sure you can appreciate that it is extremely disappointing and frustrating to change case officers as such an advanced stage in the determination of the planning application. However, to compound matters, he has also confirmed that a new case officer has not yet been allocated. He has advised that this is likely to take place until sometime during week commencing 17th June, however I further understand that he will be away on leave that week, which will presumably preclude the opportunity for a thorough handover to the new case officer. I am aware that the internal deadline for the preparation of reports for the 26th June Committee is this week, and therefore I can only assume that this application will no longer be determined in accordance with previously agreed timescale.

In the circumstances, I would be grateful if you could please confirm as a matter of urgency who the replacement case officer is, and whether the application will be considered at the Committee meeting on 26th June. I am sure you will understand that my clients will want to be reassured regarding the progress of their application at this advanced stage, and also require this information to consider their position including a potential appeal against non-determination.

I look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any additional information.

Regards

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