WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL LOWLANDS AREA PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE

Date: 13th July 2020

Report of Additional Representations



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Report of Additional Representations

Application Number	20/00375/S73
Site Address	Land At The Paddocks E430988 N202388
	Weald Street
	Weald
	Bampton
	Oxfordshire
Date	30th June 2020
Officer	Kim Smith
Officer Recommendations	Approve subject to Legal Agreement
Parish	Bampton Parish Council
Grid Reference	430989 E 202388 N
Committee Date	13th July 2020

Application Details:

To allow the siting of six mobile homes, three for occupation by gypsies and their dependents and three for occupation by non gypsies and their dependents (non-compliance with conditions I and 2 of planning permission 09/0568/P/FP which restricts occupancy to gypsies and limits the number of mobile homes to one and non-compliance with conditions 2 and 6 of planning permission 08/0230/P/FP which restricts occupation to a named gypsy and his dependents and limits the number of mobile homes to one).

Applicant Details:

Mr Felix Doran I And 2 The Paddocks Weald Street Bampton Oxon OX18 2HL

Additional Representations:

Calum Scott of Barnstones, Bushey Row ,Bampton has commented as follows:

- 1) The "non-gypsy" units will be used in the same way as others on site, as a means to exploit the most vulnerable members of society by binding them in perpetual and increasing debt. Not only should planning be refused on this basis, they existing operation of units on the existing site should be investigated thoroughly.
- 2) Events throughout Covid-19 lockdown and particularly of the night of 22/06/2020 and several prior, have shown that the occupants of the site have scant regard for law, order, their neighbours, the environment, the health of the community, safety of farm and domestic animals (others as well as their own) and any number of other anti-social behaviours. Despite the best efforts of our police, it continues unabated, and as such an increase in numbers can only lead to an increase in incidents of lawlessness.
- 3) The council is under no obligation to make provision for any mobile home pitches not directly for the residence of the travelling community and certainly not to be let to others for profit.