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## **UPLANDS AREA PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE**

You are summoned to a meeting of the Uplands Area Planning Sub-Committee which will be held in Council Chamber, Council Offices, Woodgreen, Witney, Oxfordshire OX28 INB on **Monday**, **I5 December 2025 at 2.00 pm**.

Giles Hughes
Chief Executive

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To: Members of the Uplands Area Planning Sub-Committee

Councillors: Julian Cooper (Chair), Mark Walker (Vice-Chair), Lidia Arciszewska, Mike Baggaley, Andrew Beaney, Adam Clements, Genny Early, Roger Faulkner, Andy Goodwin, David Jackson, Elizabeth Poskitt and Geoff Saul

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## **AGENDA**

## 1. Apologies for Absence

To receive any apologies for absence from members of Sub-Committee. The quorum for the Sub-Committee is 3 members.

## 2. Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of interest from members of the Sub-Committee on any items to be considered at the meeting.

## 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting (Pages 3 - 10)

To approve the minutes of the previous meeting, held on 17 November 2025

## 4. Applications for Development

## Purpose:

To consider applications for development, details of which are set out in the attached schedule.

## Recommendation:

That the applications be determined in accordance with the recommendations of the Head of Planning.

| <u>Pages</u> | <u>Application</u> | Address                  | Planning Officer       |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
|              | <u>No.</u>         |                          |                        |
| 11-34        | 25/02143/FUL       | Vicks Garage Guildenford | Mr Emile Baldauf-Clark |
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## 5. 25/02143/FUL Vicks Garage Guildenford (Pages 11 - 34)

## 6. Applications Determined under Delegated Powers (Pages 35 - 46)

## Purpose:

To inform the Sub-Committee of applications determined under delegated powers.

## Recommendation:

1. That the report be noted by the Sub-Committee.

## 7. Appeal Decisions (Pages 47 - 48)

## Purpose:

To inform the Sub-Committee of any appeal decisions.

#### Recommendation:

1. That the report be noted by the Sub-Committee.

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## Agenda Item 3

## WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Uplands Area Planning Sub-Committee

Held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Woodgreen, Witney, Oxfordshire OX28 INB at 2.00 pm on Monday, 17 November 2025

## **PRESENT**

Councillors: Julian Cooper (Chair), , Lidia Arciszewska, Mike Baggaley, Andrew Beaney, Genny Early, Roger Faulkner, Andy Goodwin, David Jackson and Elizabeth Poskitt

Officers: Ana Prelici (Senior Democratic Services Officer), Clare Anscombe (Career Grade Planner), Emile Baldauf-Clark (Career Grade Planner), Kelly Murray (Principal Planner for Enforcement and Appeals), Rebekah Orriss (Career Grade Planner) and Chris Hargraves (Head of Planning)

## 55 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Clements, Saul and Walker.

## 56 Declarations of Interest

The Chairman declared an interest in agenda item 4 (Applications for development) 25/02/43/FUL as the supporter, who was an Ex Councillor was known to him.

## 57 Minutes of Previous Meeting

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 20 October 2025 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

## 58 Applications for Development

The applications for development were submitted as detailed in the schedule attached at page 17 of the document pack.

## 59 23/03136/FUL Land and Woodland South Of Watermead Farm Spelsbury Road

Change of Use from agricultural to 'glamping' campsite comprising 18 nos. camping units (8 nos. bell tents, 7 nos. shepherds huts and 3 nos. A-frame pods), ancillary facilities (including cafeteria and site reception, 2 nos. toilet and shower blocks, maintenance and storage barn), access and parking, and associated infrastructure.

The Planning Officer conducted a presentation which was noted by Members.

Both the objectors and the applicant were in attendance and spoke at the meeting.

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Speaking in objection: Mr Hans Eriksson and Mr Jonathan Finch-Dick

Mr. Finch-Dick raised objections regarding ecology, and the impact of the development on the surrounding woodland.

Speaking as applicant/supporter Mr Graeme Widdows. The applicant stated that the biodiversity net gain on the site met and was three times the statutory requirement.

Members discussed the application, highlighting the following points;

- Great weight must be given to conserving and enhancing the CNL as an area of outstanding natural beauty.
- Officers noted the site layout was sympathetic: structures were set back, tree cover retained, and visual impact minimised.
- The site was in a conservation target area, the Charlbury neighbourhood plan said that
  no development would be supported within this. While officers stated that they did
  not consider this had the effect of imposing a blanket ban on development within the
  area, great weight must be accorded to the need to achieve clear biodiversity net
  gains.
- The design was relatively unobtrusive and sympathetic to the woodland.
- There was insufficient evidence of clear biodiversity net gains and missing data on bats, which raised major concerns.

Members voted in favour of the officer's recommendation to refuse the application by majority decision.

It was proposed by Cllr Jackson and seconded by Cllr Arciszewska

**RESOLVED**: That the application be refused in line with officer's recommendations.

60 25/01566/FUL Land At Church End Swerford Chipping Norton Oxfordshire

Conversion of storage building to holiday let, with associated landscaping

The Planning Officer conducted a presentation which was noted by Members. The Officer's presentation made the following points:

- The application site was located within Swerford and within the Swerford Conservation Area

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- There were a number of heritage assets within close proximity of the site including listed and locally listed buildings, Swerford registered park & garden to the west and Swerford Castle Scheduled Monument
- The site was accessed from Back Lane, a Public Right of Way
- The existing building had a traditional design including materials which were considered to positively contribute to the character of the area
- A certificate of existing lawful use was granted in September 2017 for the use of the site for B8 storage of materials and equipment on the site. The certificate confirmed the use of the entire application site for the 'storage of materials and equipment falling within use class B8.' More recently, an application was submitted for the change of use of the building to a dwelling, which was dismissed at appeal. The Inspector considered that the proposal would preserve the CA and setting of listed and non-listed buildings. This application differs in that the proposed use is for a holiday let not a dwelling.
- The proposed development included the conversion of the building to a holiday let, with associated landscaping. The existing trees shown on the plan were to be retained and 2 car parking spaces were provided to the front.
- The proposal included the insertion of timber casement windows and doors in order to use the building as a holiday let. The mass, scale and footprint would remain the same.

Two bedrooms were proposed at first floor and living and kitchen space on ground floor.

Speaking as the applicant/supporter: Joanna Lishman

Members asked the following questions of clarification:

- if vehicle use would increase with a holiday let use. The speaker clarified that with a B8 storage use vehicle types are likely to be larger and could be intensified.
- by whom the building was currently used by and how often the owner needed to come and go from the site. The speaker confirmed that the storage unit was operated by a builder for storage of machinery and materials and he came and went as per his business requirements and owns the land.

The Planning Officer went onto summarise the merits of the application and made the following points:

- In terms of the principle of development, for the reasons set out in the report, the proposal was considered to comply with the key policies of the adopted local plan for the conversion of buildings to tourist accommodation.
- In terms of design, subject to conditions securing details of windows and doors, the proposal was considered to be acceptable and comply with key design policies.
- Regarding impact on heritage assets, as confirmed by the Inspector in the recent appeal, Officers considered that the proposal would preserve and conserve the

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character or appearance of the Swerford Conservation Area and would preserve the setting of listed and non-listed buildings in the vicinity of the site.

- There are no objections regarding impact on ecology, highway safety and amenity, and the main issues raised in the recent appeal have been addressed.
- There would still be loss of employment, but due to the lawful use of the site, it could in theory be used by anyone for any storage (such as the storage of belongings), not providing any or very little employment benefit. Further, the proposed use would benefit local facilities through visitation afforded by tourists, and other employment would ensue from such a use.
- Therefore, providing the holiday let was restricted to short stays only, in this case, the benefits of the proposed development were considered to outweigh the loss of employment use and so there were other material considerations that indicated that the application should be approved otherwise than in accordance with the development plan, and so the application is recommended for approval, subject to the conditions set out in the report.

Members asked the following questions of clarification:

- whether the previous application which was refused on the basis of adverse impacts to the Conservation Area, historic setting of non-designated heritage assets and in what way did this application differ from that in terms of the physical building proposed compared to the previous proposed building.
- The Planning Officer stated that the proposed external alterations did not differ from the previous application, however the Inspector for the recent appeal concluded that heritage assets would be preserved. Officers had to take that into account as a material planning consideration and so that is why, whilst the external alterations proposed are largely the same, Officers have concluded that heritage assets would be preserved.

Members voted in favour of the officer's recommendation to approve the application by majority decision.

It was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Cllr Poskitt

**RESOLVED**: That the application be approved in line with officer's recommendations.

## 61 25/02143/FUL Vicks Garage Guildenford Burford Oxfordshire OX18 4SE

Demolition of the existing building and the erection of a detached dwelling with access, parking and associated works. (amended plans)

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The Planning Officer conducted a presentation which was noted by Members.

- The site lay within Burford, a designated rural service centre, where the principle of residential development was supported under Local Plan policies OS2 and H2.
- The proposal redevelops previously developed land in a sustainable location, consistent with the spatial strategy and NPPF objectives.
- Marketing evidence and Economic Development comments confirmed continued employment use was no longer viable.
- Design reflected the footprint and scale of a previously approved office building, reinstates spatial gaps, and uses traditional materials.
- The removal of the existing garage and its replacement with a well-designed dwelling would enhance the character and appearance of the conservation area and respect the setting of nearby listed buildings.
- Highways officers raised no objection subject to conditions; two off-street parking spaces are proposed.
- No technical objections on contamination or ecology; conditions recommended.
- The application was recommended for approval.

The supporter was in attendance and spoke at the meeting.

Speaking as a supporter: Mr Derek Cotterill.

Members asked the following questions of clarification:

- access and parking arrangements, noting concerns about reversing and sharing spaces between Tiverton Cottage and the new dwelling.
- garden size and whether it met standards; the Officer confirmed it was sufficient.
- impact on the stone boundary wall and mature tree roots; the Officer confirmed the wall would be partially removed and tree impact considered.
- Members discussed drainage concerns and lowering of ground levels; the Officer clarified these are structural/civil matters, not planning considerations.
- Concerns were raised about contamination; the Officer confirmed conditions for remediation were included.
- Debate focused on parking, access, and proximity to trees

During debate, there was a proposal for approval in line with the Officer's recommendations but this motion did not receive a seconder. The Chairman then proposed that the application be deferred for a site visit to assess parking, access, and tree impact, which was agreed

**RESOLVED**: That the application be deferred pending a site visit, and be brought to the next meeting for further consideration.

# 6225/02145/FUL Dashwood House Shipton Road Milton Under Wychwood Chipping Norton Oxfordshire OX7 6JH

Proposed alterations and enlargement of existing building including extension at rear ground floor for kitchen/dining area for first and second floor flat (part retrospective)

Councillor Arciszewska left the Council Chamber.

The Planning Officer conducted a presentation which was noted by Members.

- The presentation made the following points: The proposal conserved the commercial floor area and proposed a minor addition to the living space associate with the existing flat and was therefore acceptable in principle.
- The proposal was acceptable in design terms, and had no significant adverse impact on neighbouring properties.
- The proposal has no effect on the Cotswolds National Landscape.
- The application was recommended for approval.

Members asked the following questions of clarification:

- the floorplan of the ground floor and the parts that would be communal and which could be used by separate businesses.
- the purpose of the application in the context of the planning history and how the rear extension would be divided between the commercial use and residential use. The Officer confirmed that the rear extension would be physically divided, but the commercial floorspace could be shared by up to two businesses.
- if the external wall would be affected by the extension. The Officer confirmed that there would be no impact on the wall.
- whether a condition was required to ensure the use of the ground floor could remain as commercial. The Officer confirmed that this was not needed as the lawful use was commercial and any future change of use would be subject to its own assessment.

Members voted in favour of the officer's recommendation to approve the application by majority decision.

It was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Cllr Goodwin.

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**RESOLVED**: That the application be approved in line with officer's recommendations.

## 63 Applications Determined under Delegated Powers

The applications determined under delegated powers were received

**RESOLVED:** That the report be noted.

## 64 Appeal Decisions

The officer reported on the appeal decisions as attached on page 93 of the agenda pack.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

The Meeting closed at 4.07 pm

**CHAIR** 



# WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL UPLANDS AREA PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE

Date: 15th December 2025

#### REPORT OF THE HEAD OF PLANNING



## Purpose:

To consider applications for development details of which are set out in the following pages.

#### Recommendations:

To determine the applications in accordance with the recommendations of the Business Manager. The recommendations contained in the following pages are all subject to amendments in the light of observations received between the preparation of the reports etc and the date of the meeting.

## List of Background Papers

All documents, including forms, plans, consultations and representations on each application, but excluding any document, which in the opinion of the 'proper officer' discloses exempt information as defined in Section 1001 of the Local Government Act 1972.

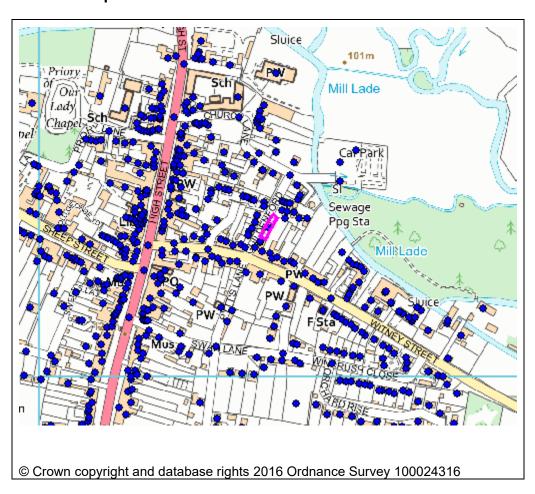
#### Please note that:

Observations received after the reports in this schedule were prepared will be summarised in a
document which will be published late on the last working day before the meeting and available
at the meeting or from <a href="https://www.westoxon.gov.uk/meetings">www.westoxon.gov.uk/meetings</a>

| Item | Application Number | Address                  | Officer                   |
|------|--------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
|      | 25/02143/FUL       | Vicks Garage Guildenford | Mr Emile<br>Baldauf-Clark |

| Application Number      | 25/02143/FUL           |  |
|-------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Site Address            | Vicks Garage           |  |
|                         | Guildenford            |  |
|                         | Burford                |  |
|                         | Oxfordshire            |  |
|                         | OX18 4SE               |  |
| Date                    | 3rd December 2025      |  |
| Officer                 | Mr Emile Baldauf-Clark |  |
| Officer Recommendations | Approve                |  |
| Parish                  | Burford Parish Council |  |
| Grid Reference          | 425303 E 212198 N      |  |
| Committee Date          | 15th December 2025     |  |

## **Location Map**



## **Application Details:**

Demolition of the existing building and the erection of a detached dwelling with access, parking and associated works. (amended plans)

## **Applicant Details:**

Mr M Strutt C/o Agent

#### **I CONSULTATIONS**

## **OCC Highways**

#### Recommendations

Oxfordshire County Council, as the Local Highways Authority, hereby notify the District Planning Authority that they do not object to the granting of planning permission, subject to the following conditions:

#### Conditions

- G28 parking as plan
- GII access specification

#### Comments

The proposal, if permitted, will not have a significant detrimental impact (in terms of highway safety) on the adjacent highway network

District Ecologist

Acceptable subject to conditions and informative.

**WODC** Drainage

No Objection subject to conditions

Env Health Noise And Amenity

No objection, subject to the inclusion of the following condition (or likewise):

- I. No development shall take place until a site-specific Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP), completed by a suitably competent person, has been submitted to (and approved in writing by) the Local Planning Authority. The plan must demonstrate the adoption and use of the Best Practicable Means (BPM) to reduce any adverse impact to the surrounding environment and community in terms of noise, vibration, dust and lighting. The plan must detail, at a minimum:
- ' Procedures for maintaining good public relations including a comprehensive complaints procedure.
- ' All works and ancillary operations which may be audible at the site boundary, including hours of operation.
- 'Deliveries and removals, including hours of operation.
- ' Mitigation measures (as defined in 'BS 5528: Parts I and 2: 2009 Noise and Vibration Control on Construction and Open Sites') and how they shall be used to minimise noise disturbance.
- ' Procedures for emergency deviation of the agreed working hours.

- 'Control measures for dust and other air-borne pollutants.
- ' Measures for controlling the use of site lighting whether required for safe working or for security purposes.

Reason: In the interests of the amenity of surrounding occupiers during the construction of the development.

**Env Health Contamination** 

This application is accompanied by the following technical document:

' Geo Integrity Phase I Desk Study and Phase II Geotechnical and Geo-Environmental Report (Dated July 2021. Ref: 21-05-06)
The site for this proposed development has a long history of use for vehicle maintenance and repair. There is some evidence that infill has been imported into the site historically to make up the site levels and containing amounts of anthropogenic material. This material might account for the occasionally elevated concentrations of the metals arsenic and lead within the soil noted by Geo Integrity. There is little evidence for contamination from the vehicle repair activities, but I note that no investigation has been undertaken beneath the repair building itself, where these is plenty of scope for legacy contamination.

For the previously approved planning application 20/01038/FUL, my predecessor requested a planning condition requiring ground investigation and any consequent remedial works for contamination to be completed. A later application, 22/00135/FUL (refused on appeal) was accompanied by the same technical document by Geo Integrity. My predecessor recommended the imposition of a condition requiring the submission of a full remediation scheme in order to identify and appropriately deal with any contamination found on the site.

Whilst a few years have passed since the technical information used to compile the Geo Integrity document was gathered, it is unlikely that there's been any significant change in the ground conditions since that time. Thus, it should be possible to manage the existing contamination via a remedial scheme, albeit that this scheme should include some additional investigation within the footprint of the existing workshop building and monitoring for any groundwater pollution, before proposing appropriate remedial options.

Therefore although I have no objection to the application, please consider adding the following condition to any grant of permission.

I. No development shall take place until a remediation scheme, specifying the measures to be taken to remediate the site to render it suitable for the development hereby permitted shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The remediation scheme should address the potentially active pathways identified in the Phase I Desk

Study and Phase II Geotechnical and Geo-Environmental Report (Dated July 2021. Ref: 21-05-06).

2. The Remediation Scheme, as agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority, shall be fully implemented in accordance with the approved timetable of works and before the development hereby permitted is first occupied. Any variation to the scheme shall be agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority in advance of works being undertaken. On completion of the works the developer shall submit to the Local Planning Authority a verification report confirming that all works were completed in accordance with the agreed details.

If, during the course of development, any contamination is found which has not been identified in the site investigation, additional measures for the remediation of this contamination shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The remediation of the site shall incorporate the approved additional measures.

Reason: To ensure any contamination of the site is identified and appropriately remediated. Relevant Policies: West Oxfordshire Local Planning Policy EH8 and Section 15 of the NPPF.

Conservation And Design Officer

No conservation objections.

**WODC Tree Officer** 

No objections raised.

If roots of the in-question tree were to be positively identified during construction, then it will need to be notified (Section 211 notice) as it is not part of the proposal to issue works to this tree. Although as the area seems to be built up, with a stone wall separating the tree and development, I would say that it is unlikely that any substantial roots will be affected by this.

If the building works can be proven, that it directly caused damaged to the tree and resulted in the failure or decline this may lead to enforcement.

Town Council

Burford Town Council objects to this planning application and requests a site visit to be held to gain more information on the plans. Council believes that the plans incorrectly show the previous planning application. There is a discrepancy of the soil contamination reports that needs to be considered. There is an issue regarding the parking which Council believes is not sufficient and the entrance is a long way

down and may affect the historic wall.

# Economic Development Manager

From an economic development perspective, the following points are offered in response to the submitted marketing evidence and proposed change of use.

The West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031 sets out a clear commitment to supporting sustainable economic growth, including the retention and re-use of existing employment sites where viable. Specifically:

- Policy EI Land for Employment encourages the retention of existing employment sites unless there is clear evidence that the site is no longer suitable or viable for continued employment use.
- Policy E2 Supporting the Rural Economy supports appropriate redevelopment of rural employment sites where they are no longer fit for purpose.
- Policy E3 Re-use of Non-Residential Buildings allows for alternative uses where continued employment use is demonstrably unviable

The marketing report submitted by Conways Commercial provides a detailed account of efforts to secure a commercial occupier over a sustained period (September 2020-2021 and again from September 2023 to present). This evidence aligns with the Local Plan's requirement under Policy E1 and E3 to demonstrate that the site is no longer suitable or viable for employment use.

The site's location, physical constraints, and lack of interest from commercial occupiers suggest that its continued designation for employment use may no longer serve the economic objectives of the district. The Local Plan acknowledges that:

"Where there is clear evidence that a site is no longer suitable or viable for continued employment use, alternative uses may be considered, particularly where they contribute positively to the local community or economy." (Policy E3)

Given the absence of demand, the poor condition of the building, and the changing nature of commercial space requirements post-COVID, the proposed change of use may be justified. From an economic development standpoint, the evidence provided supports that the site is no longer viable for commercial use. Subject to planning considerations and alignment with other Local Plan policies.

## **2 REPRESENTATIONS**

2.1 One objection was submitted by a neighbouring property. While the neighbour supports the principle of development, they raise concerns about the treatment of the eastern boundary, potential impact on a mature tree, and stability issues from proposed ground level changes. They also highlight

privacy risks from roof lights and request measures to prevent overlooking, as well as a site visit to assess boundary conditions before determination.

2.2 A further general comment has been received from a local councillor, noting concerns about the alignment of the proposed access with existing driveways and potential highway safety issues on Guildenford, as well as the removal of soil and historic deposits during construction. The comment also highlights the presence of mature vegetation and hedgehogs, requests retention of the character of the existing stone wall, and concludes that the site would benefit from redevelopment in line with Conservation Officer advice.

#### **3 APPLICANT'S CASE**

- 3.1 The applicant seeks full planning permission and conservation area consent for the demolition of the existing garage building and the erection of a detached dwelling with associated access, parking and landscaping at Vicks Garage, Guildenford, Burford. The site lies within the Burford Conservation Area and the Cotswolds National Landscape, and is surrounded by Grade II listed buildings. The existing structure is a utilitarian garage of poor visual quality, which makes no positive contribution to the character or appearance of the area.
- 3.2 The proposal represents an opportunity to redevelop a previously developed site in a sustainable location, consistent with the spatial strategy of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan and the principles of the National Planning Policy Framework. The Council cannot currently demonstrate a five-year housing land supply, engaging the presumption in favour of sustainable development under paragraph II(d) of the Framework. The scheme would deliver a high-quality dwelling on brownfield land, making efficient use of an underutilised site.
- 3.3 The design has evolved significantly following previous refusals and an appeal dismissal. The dwelling now reflects the footprint and scale of the previously approved office building (ref. 20/01038/FUL), with a frontage width of 12 metres and depth of 6.3 metres. It is set into the ground to reduce overall height and visual impact, and incorporates traditional Cotswold vernacular detailing, including natural stone walls, pitched tiled roof, parapet gables and modest dormer windows. These measures ensure the building integrates harmoniously with the surrounding street scene and preserves the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.
- 3.4 The proposal addresses all previous concerns. The building's reduced width reinstates spatial gaps between Tiverton Cottage and Vicks Close, maintaining the open character of Guildenford. The omission of first-floor bedroom windows in the south elevation removes any risk of overlooking Tiverton Cottage's garden, and the garden for the new dwelling has been redesigned to provide an appropriate level of privacy and usability. The scheme also improves the amenity of Tiverton Cottage by relocating parking and creating a better-quality garden area.
- 3.5 The application is supported by robust marketing evidence demonstrating that the site is no longer viable for employment use, satisfying Policy E1 of the Local Plan. The garage has been vacant since 2020 and marketed extensively for two years without success. The building is in poor condition and unsuitable for modern commercial requirements, and its redevelopment for residential use is justified.
- 3.6 The proposal includes ecological enhancements and will deliver a statutory 10% biodiversity net gain through off-site credits, alongside on-site measures such as bird boxes, swift bricks, bat features and hedgehog highways. Flood risk, contamination and highway safety have been assessed, with no technical

objections raised by consultees. The scheme provides two parking spaces and a new access arrangement that improves safety compared to the existing situation.

3.7 In summary, the proposal represents a well-considered, policy-compliant redevelopment that will enhance the character of the Conservation Area, respect the setting of listed buildings, and deliver a high-quality home in a sustainable location. It addresses all previous reasons for refusal and appeal dismissal and should be supported accordingly.

#### **4 PLANNING POLICIES**

OSINEW Presumption in favour of sustainable development

OS2NEW Locating development in the right places

OS4NEW High quality design

HINEW Amount and distribution of housing

H2NEW Delivery of new homes

**H6NEW** Existing housing

**EINEW** Land for employment

E2NEW Supporting the rural economy

E3NEW Reuse of non residential buildings

**EHI Cotswolds AONB** 

EH3 Biodiversity and Geodiversity

EH7 Flood risk

EH8 Environmental protection

EH9 Historic environment

EH10 Conservation Areas

**EHII** Listed Buildings

T2NEW Highway improvement schemes

T4NEW Parking provision

BCINEW Burford-Charlbury sub-area

NPPF 2024

DESGUI West Oxfordshire Design Guide

NATDES National Design Guide

The National Planning Policy framework (NPPF) is also a material planning consideration.

#### **5 PLANNING ASSESSMENT**

## **Background Information**

- 5.1 This application seeks permission for the demolition of the existing building and the erection of a detached dwelling with access, parking and associated works at Vicks Garage, Guildenford in Burford.
- 5.2 The application site relates to a vacant commercial garage building located within the built-up area of Burford along the road known as Guildenford which runs roughly North to South, parallel to the main High Street to the west of the site.
- 5.3 The site sits within both the Burford Conservation Area and the Cotswolds National Landscape (CNL), formerly known as the Cotswolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB).
- 5.4 The application was deferred from the last committee in order for members to undertake a site visit.

## **Planning History**

- 5.5 There have been numerous planning applications on the site including appeals outlined below:
  - W89/0545 Demolition of garage, erection of 3 cottages, garages, formation of new vehicular access. - APPROVED
  - 18/01872/FUL The erection of two new semi-detached cottages with associated parking and provision of new vehicular accesses. WITHDRAWN
  - 19/02109/FUL Remove existing garage and erection of two flats. WITHDRAWN
  - 20/01038/FUL Demolition of existing garage buildings and construction of two storey office building (amended plans and description) APPROVED
  - 22/00135/FUL Demolition of the existing garage outbuildings. Erection of a detached dwelling
    with the provision of parking for both the new and existing dwellings together with associated
    works. REFUSED AND APPEAL DISMISSED
- 5.6 The 2022 appeal was dismissed on 3 main issues as below:
  - Harm to the character and appearance of the Burford Conservation Area, including the setting
    of nearby listed buildings.
  - Unjustified loss of an employment site, contrary to Policy E1 of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031.
  - Inadequate amenity space for both the existing and proposed dwellings.

The Council's housing land supply position and the implications of the NPPF

- Policies HI and H2 of the WOLP identify an overall housing requirement of 15,950 homes to be delivered in the period 2011 2031. Ordinarily, this would be used to calculate the Council's five-year housing land supply. However, the Council has undertaken a formal review of the WOLP in accordance with Regulation 10A of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 and in doing so has determined that the housing trajectory of Policies HI and H2 are out of date and need to be reviewed. In accordance with national policy, because those policies are now more than 5 years' old, until such time as a new housing requirement is determined through the new Local Plan, the District Council will calculate its five-year housing land supply position on the basis of local housing need using the Government's standard method. An updated HLS position statement has not been published by the LPA since the December 2024 revisions to the NPPF. Nevertheless, officers consider it relevant to note that the recent changes to the NPPF are likely to increase the housing requirement for the following reasons:
- 5.8 Paragraph 61 sets the overall aim of policy as meeting an area's identified housing need, including with an appropriate mix of housing types for the local community (removing previous reference to 'meeting as much of an area's identified housing need as possible').
- 5.9 Paragraph 62 confirms that housing requirements will be based on local housing need ('LHN'), as calculated using the standard method, which officers understand will result in the LHN figure for West Oxfordshire increasing from 570 dpa to 905 dpa, which is likely to have a significant impact on its deliverable HLS position.

- 5.10 Paragraph 78 inter alia re-introduces a buffer that is likely to be 5% for West Oxfordshire, as its Housing Delivery Test figures have to date never been below 85% (Nonetheless, this will increase the requirement further, again tending to worsen the deliverable HLS position).
- 5.11 For a combination of reasons relating to the changes identified above, officers expect the LPA's HLS position to worsen from the 4.3 years it has most recently been able to demonstrate at various appeals that were determined following public inquiries. As such, officers anticipate that the LPA's HLS shortfall is likely to rise when its next HLS position statement is published; and for the purposes of this application, officers accept that the LPA cannot currently demonstrate a full 5-year deliverable HLS and accordingly under the operation of footnote 8, paragraph 11(d) is engaged.

Conclusions on the principle of residential development

- 5.12 In view of the above, it is clear that the decision-making process for the determination of this application is therefore to assess whether:
- i. the application of policies in the Framework that protect areas or assets of particular importance provides a strong reason for refusing the development proposed; or
- ii. any adverse impacts of doing so would significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits, when assessed against the policies in the Framework taken as a whole, having particular regard to key policies for directing development to sustainable locations, making effective use of land, securing well-designed places and providing affordable homes, individually or in combination.

## **Principle**

- 5.13 The starting point for assessing new residential development proposals is the West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031 (WOLP), which sets out the spatial strategy and policies for housing delivery across the district. The application site lies within the built up area of the town of Burford, which is designated as a rural service centre within the settlement hierarchy, where residential development is supported in principle under Policies OS2 and H2, subject to compliance with other relevant policies.
- 5.14 Policy OS2 confirms that "a significant proportion of new homes, jobs and supporting services will be focused within and on the edge of the main service centres of Witney, Carterton and Chipping Norton," with Burford, as a rural service centre, being suitable for a modest level of development.
- 5.15 The site is located within walking distance of a range of local services, including shops, schools, and public transport links, and therefore represents a sustainable location for new residential development in accordance with the spatial strategy of the Local Plan and the principles of sustainable development set out in Policy OSI and the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).
- 5.16 The site is currently occupied by a vacant commercial garage and is designated as an employment site. The Local Plan includes a suite of policies E1, E2 and E3, which collectively seek to safeguard employment land and support economic growth. These policies are particularly relevant in assessing proposals that would result in the loss of employment-generating uses.
- 5.17 Policy E1 states in relation to existing employment sites:

"Non-employment uses on employment sites will be refused except in the following circumstances:

- where it can be demonstrated that the site or premises are not reasonably capable of being used or redeveloped for employment purposes; or
- where the site or premises are considered unsuitable on amenity, environmental or highway safety grounds for employment uses; or
- where the proposed use includes community, leisure, or retail uses which are complementary and compatible to the functioning of the employment site and the local community, and conform with Policy E6: Town Centres; or
- where substantial community benefits would be achieved by allowing alternative forms of development."

The policy requires applicants to demonstrate that employment sites are no longer viable or needed, and that alternative uses would not undermine the district's economic objectives. The policy is underpinned by the Local Plan's strategic objective to support sustainable economic growth, as set out in Section 6 of the Plan.

- 5.18 Policy E2 Supporting the Rural Economy supports appropriate redevelopment of rural employment sites where they are no longer fit for purpose. Policy E3 Re-use of Non-Residential Buildings allows for alternative uses where continued employment use is demonstrably unviable
- 5.19 In accordance with Policies E1 and E3, the applicant has submitted a detailed marketing and commercial viability report prepared by Conways Commercial. The report outlines sustained efforts to secure a commercial occupier over two distinct marketing periods: September 2020 to July 2021, and again from September 2023 to the present. The marketing strategy include listings on multiple commercial property platforms, direct engagement with local and regional businesses and on-site signage and agent-led viewings. Despite these efforts, the report confirms that no viable commercial interest has been forthcoming. The building is described as being in poor physical condition, lacking basic facilities such as heating, insulation, and modern servicing, and is unsuitable for contemporary commercial requirements.
- 5.20 The Council's Economic Development Manager has reviewed the submitted evidence and confirmed that it meets the expectations of Policies E1 and E3, particularly in relation to:
  - The length and scope of marketing.
  - The absence of demand.
  - The physical constraints of the building.
  - The changing nature of commercial space requirements, especially post-COVID.

The Local Plan acknowledges that where there is clear and robust evidence of unviability, alternative uses may be considered, particularly where they contribute positively to the local community or economy.

5.21 In light of the above, officers consider that the principle of residential development on this site is acceptable. The proposal accords with the spatial strategy of the Local Plan, as set out in Policies OSI, OS2 and H2, and is located within a sustainable settlement with access to services and transport. It is supported by robust marketing and viability evidence demonstrating that the site is no longer suitable or viable for employment use, in accordance with Policies EI, E2 and E3. The proposal also responds to the changing economic context and reflects the Local Plan's flexibility in allowing alternative uses where justified. Subject to compliance with other relevant policies, including those relating to design, heritage, and amenity, the principle of development is considered acceptable.

## Siting, Design and Form

- 5.22 The application site comprises a garage and adjoining shed situated to the north of Tiverton Cottage, fronting Guildenford. The proposed dwelling is to be sited on the footprint of the previously approved office building (ref. 20/01038/FUL), measuring approximately 12 metres in width and 6.3 metres in depth. The building is to be orientated north to south, with the principal elevation and entrance facing Guildenford to the east.
- 5.23 The proposed dwelling is of a traditional vernacular form, incorporating a narrow span and pitched roof with a maximum ridge height of 7.5 metres, measured from the northern elevation where the land levels are lowest. The eaves height is proposed at 4.7 metres. The building is to be constructed in natural stone under a tiled roof, with detailing including parapet gables and modestly proportioned dormer windows set within the eaves line. The design reflects the scale and form of the previously approved office building and is considered to respond appropriately to the topography of the site, with the dwelling set into the ground to reduce its overall height and visual impact.
- 5.24 External alteration to the site includes the lowering and partial removal of the front boundary stone wall to allow for the provision of 2 parking spaces. The rear garden to the north of the dwelling is to include a patio and garden area.
- 5.25 The proposed dwelling is considered to be of a high standard of design, incorporating traditional proportions and materials that are consistent with the character of the surrounding built form. The siting and scale of the building are such that it would not appear cramped within the plot, and the spatial relationship with Tiverton Cottage and neighbouring properties is considered acceptable.
- 5.26 The design is considered to accord with the provisions of Policy OS2 and OS4 of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031, which seek to ensure that new development is of high quality, respects local character, and is appropriately sited. The proposal also aligns with the guidance set out in the West Oxfordshire Design Guide, particularly in terms of scale, form, materials and detailing. As such, the design and siting of the proposed dwelling are considered acceptable in planning terms.

#### **Heritage Impacts**

#### Conservation Area

- 5.27 The application site lies within the Burford Conservation Area, a designated heritage asset recognised for its architectural and historic significance. Within a Conservation Area, Officers are required to take account of section 72(1) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 as amended which states that, with respect to buildings or other land in a conservation area, special attention shall be paid to the desirability of preserving or enhancing the character or appearance of that area. Further the paragraphs of section 16 'Conserving and enhancing the historic environment' of the NPPF are relevant to consideration of the application.
- 5.28 The character of this part of Guildenford is defined by its traditional stone-built dwellings, many of which front directly onto the street, and by the presence of substantial stone boundary walls which contribute to a strong sense of enclosure. However, the eastern side of Guildenford, where the site is located, benefits from a more open and spacious character, with buildings set back from the road and interspersed with areas of open space. This variation in layout is a key component of the Conservation Area's significance, providing visual relief and contributing positively to its overall character.

- 5.29 The existing garage building on the site is of poor visual quality, being primarily timber-clad with a felt roof, and is in a dilapidated condition. It is acknowledged by the Planning Inspector in the previous appeal decision (APP/D3125/W/22/3302591) that the garage is an incongruous element within the street scene and does not make a positive contribution to the character or appearance of the Conservation Area. Its removal is therefore considered beneficial in heritage terms.
- 5.30 The previous appeal was dismissed in part due to the impact of the proposed dwelling on the character and appearance of the Conservation Area. The Inspector concluded that the increased width and scale of the dwelling, relative to the approved office building, would result in a reduction in openness and a cramped form of development, thereby causing less than substantial harm to the significance of the Conservation Area
- 5.31 In response to this, the current proposal has been revised to reflect the footprint and scale of the previously approved office building (ref. 20/01038/FUL). The dwelling now matches the approved dimensions, with a footprint of 12 metres by 6.3 metres, and is set into the site to reduce its overall height. The revised design reinstates the spatial gaps between Tiverton Cottage and Vicks Close, thereby preserving the open character of this part of Guildenford. The building is to be constructed in natural stone under a tiled roof, with traditional detailing including parapet gables and modest dormer windows, all of which are consistent with the prevailing architectural vernacular.
- 5.32 It is noted that planning permission has recently been granted under application reference 25/02143/FUL for a side extension to Tiverton Cottage. While this permission has not yet been implemented, it nonetheless carries significant weight in the assessment of the current proposal. The approved extension would result in an increase in built form to the south of the proposed dwelling. However, even accounting for this approved development, the proposed dwelling would retain a sufficient separation distance from Tiverton Cottage to ensure that the open character along Guildenford is preserved. The siting of the new dwelling, which reflects the footprint of the previously approved office building, together with the retained spacing between built forms, is considered to maintain the established pattern of development and the visual permeability of the street scene.
- 5.33 The revised proposal is considered to overcome the concerns raised in the previous appeal. The scale and siting of the dwelling are now comparable to the approved office building, and the design is sympathetic to the character of the Conservation Area. The removal of the existing garage and its replacement with a traditionally designed stone cottage will enhance the appearance of the site and contribute positively to the street scene.
- 5.34 The Council's Conservation Officer has confirmed that, subject to appropriate conditions securing external materials and detailing, there are no objections to the proposal. The proposed alterations to the boundary wall, which include a modest reduction in height to facilitate access and parking, are considered acceptable and will retain the sense of enclosure along Guildenford.
- 5.35 In light of the above, the proposal is considered to preserve the character and appearance of the Burford Conservation Area and to enhance its setting through the removal of a visually harmful structure and the introduction of a well-designed dwelling of appropriate scale and form. The development accords with Policies OS2, OS4, EH9 and EH10 of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031, and with the statutory duty under Section 72(1) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.

Impact on Listed Buildings

- 5.36 The site falls in close proximity to a number of Listed Buildings, all Grade II listed, located along Guildenford, including, but not limited to the Castle's Almshouses to the North of the site, Nrs I & 2 and 5 & 8 Guildenford as well as the rears of several listed buildings along Witney Road to the south. As such officers are required to take account of section 16(2) and section 66(1) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 as amended which states that in considering whether to grant planning permission for any works the local planning authority shall have special regard to the desirability of preserving the building, its setting and any features of special architectural or historic interest which it possesses.
- 5.37 Policy EHII of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031 similarly requires that proposals affecting listed buildings demonstrate that they conserve or enhance the special architectural or historic interest of the building's fabric, detailed features, appearance, character and setting.
- 5.38 The principle of development on the site has previously been accepted through the grant of planning permission for a two-storey office building under application 20/01038/FUL. That scheme was considered to respect the setting of nearby listed buildings and was found to be acceptable in design and heritage terms. In contrast, the subsequent appeal proposal (ref. APP/D3125/W/22/3302591) was dismissed, with the Inspector concluding that the increased width and scale of the dwelling would result in a reduction in openness and a cramped form of development, thereby causing less than substantial harm to the character of the Conservation Area and the setting of nearby listed buildings.
- 5.39 The current proposal has been revised to reflect the approved office scheme in terms of footprint, scale and siting. The building has been reduced in width and set into the site to respond to the topography, thereby reinstating the spatial gaps between Tiverton Cottage and Vicks Close. As such, the proposal is considered to preserve the open character of this part of Guildenford, which the Inspector previously identified as contributing positively to the setting of listed buildings.
- 5.40 The proposed dwelling, by virtue of its siting, scale, and traditional detailing, is not considered to obscure or detract from the architectural composition or significance of any nearby listed buildings. The development would preserve their setting and is therefore considered to comply with Policy EHII and the statutory duties under the 1990 Act.

## **Cotswolds National Landscape**

- 5.41 The site falls within the Cotswolds National Landscape (CNL), formerly known as the Cotswolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). The NPPF requires great weight to be given to conserving and enhancing landscape beauty in National Landscapes. Policy EH1 of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031 also seeks to give great weight to conserving the landscape and scenic beauty.
- 5.42 Given the location of the site within the built-up area of the town of Burford as well as the scale of the proposed development, officers are of the opinion that there would no harm in regard to the setting or views in/out of the National Landscape. As such the proposal is considered to comply with Policy EHI of the WOLP as well as the relevant sections of the NPPF.

## **A**menity

5.43 Starting with the amenity for future occupiers, the proposed dwelling is to provide three bedrooms and five bedspaces, as defined by the "Technical Housing Standards - nationally described space standard". This standard requires a minimum internal floor area of 93 square metres for a dwelling of this size. The proposed dwelling is to provide approximately 115 square metres of internal floorspace,

thereby exceeding the minimum requirement and ensuring a good standard of internal living accommodation.

- 5.44 In terms of external amenity, the dwelling is to benefit from a private garden area located to the north of the building. This space is considered sufficient to meet the day-to-day needs of future occupiers, including sitting out, drying clothes, bin storage and incidental play. The garden is to be set below road level and enclosed by existing boundary treatments, with scope for further screening through planting or fencing which would be conditioned as a boundary treatment plan. The relationship between the garden and the public realm is such that an appropriate level of privacy can be achieved, and the space is considered to be both usable and well-integrated into the overall layout.
- 5.45 Turning to the impact on neighbouring residential amenity, the previous appeal scheme was dismissed in part due to the presence of two first-floor bedroom windows in the south-facing elevation, which were found to directly overlook the garden area of Tiverton Cottage. In contrast, the current proposal omits these windows entirely, with only a single, obscurely glazed window proposed at first floor level in the south elevation, serving an en-suite bathroom. This change is considered to address the Inspector's concerns and ensures that the proposed dwelling would not result in unacceptable overlooking or loss of privacy to the garden of Tiverton Cottage.
- 5.46 Furthermore, the overall scale and massing of the proposed dwelling has been reduced relative to the previously refused scheme. The building now reflects the footprint and height of the previously approved office building (ref. 20/01038/FUL), which was found to be acceptable in terms of its relationship with neighbouring properties. The siting of the dwelling, together with its reduced height and the absence of intrusive fenestration, ensures that it would not appear overbearing or result in any undue loss of light or outlook to adjacent occupiers.
- 5.47 In addition, Environmental Health Officers have recommended a condition requiring the submission and approval of a site-specific Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) prior to commencement. The CEMP must demonstrate best practicable means to minimise noise, vibration, dust and lighting impacts during construction, and include details of working hours, delivery arrangements, mitigation measures in accordance with BS 5528, and procedures for public engagement and complaints. This condition is considered necessary to safeguard the amenity of surrounding occupiers during the construction phase.
- 5.48 No other neighbouring properties are considered to be adversely affected by the proposal. The scale, siting and form of the dwelling are consistent with the previously approved office building, and the separation distances to surrounding dwellings are sufficient to avoid any material harm to residential amenity. As such, the proposal is considered to comply with Policies OS2, OS4 and H6 of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031, which seek to ensure that development provides a high standard of amenity for both existing and future occupiers.

## **Highways**

5.49 Oxfordshire County Council Highways Officers were consulted on the application and initially raised concerns regarding the proposed pedestrian access through a new opening in the stone boundary wall. Amended plans were subsequently submitted omitting this element, and OCC now raise no objection to the proposal, subject to conditions securing the retention of the parking layout and specifications for the vehicular access.

- 5.50 The proposed access arrangements represent a material improvement over those previously approved under application 20/01038/FUL for a two-storey office building. That scheme permitted a more intensive commercial use of the site, with access positioned adjacent to Tiverton Cottage and a shortfall of four parking spaces when assessed against the County Council's standards at the time. In contrast, the current proposal provides a centrally located access with improved visibility and safety, serving both the proposed dwelling and Tiverton Cottage. The layout includes two on-site parking spaces, which, while technically below the standard requirement, nonetheless represent a betterment in comparison to the office scheme and are considered appropriate given the site's sustainable location within Burford.
- 5.51 The proposal is therefore considered acceptable in terms of highway safety, access and parking provision, and complies with Policies T2 and T4 of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan.

## **Drainage**

5.52 WODC Drainage Officers have been consulted as part of this proposal and have raised no objection subject to a pre commencement condition requiring a full surface water drainage strategy to be submitted to and approved in writing by the LPA. As such the proposal is considered acceptable in this regard and complies with policy EH7 of the WOLP.

#### **Environmental Health**

- 5.53 The application site has a longstanding history of use for vehicle maintenance and repair. In light of this, Environmental Health Officers have been consulted regarding potential land contamination. The application is supported by a Phase I Desk Study and Phase II Geotechnical and Geo-Environmental Report (Geo Integrity, July 2021), which identifies the presence of anthropogenic material used historically to raise site levels, with occasional elevated concentrations of metals such as arsenic and lead.
- 5.54 While there is limited evidence of contamination directly arising from the historic vehicle repair use, it is noted that no intrusive investigation has been undertaken beneath the footprint of the former workshop building, where there remains potential for legacy contamination. The Environmental Health Officer has advised that, although the supporting technical information is now several years old, it remains relevant and sufficient to inform a remediation strategy, subject to additional investigation within the footprint of the workshop and monitoring for any groundwater pollution.
- 5.55 Accordingly, the Environmental Health Officer raises no objection to the proposed development, subject to the imposition of a planning condition requiring the submission and implementation of a full remediation scheme. This scheme should address the potentially active pathways identified in the submitted reports and include verification measures to confirm that the site has been rendered suitable for residential use. The recommended condition is considered necessary to ensure compliance with Policy EH8 of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031 and Section 15 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

## **Ecology**

5.56 The application is supported by a Preliminary Ecological Appraisal and Biodiversity Net Gain Report, alongside a Statutory Biodiversity Metric. The site comprises a small parcel of developed land with a vegetated garden, and the proposed development would result in the loss of approximately 100 square metres of garden space. The submitted metric identifies an on-site biodiversity net loss of

- 19.58%, with indicative modelling of off-site scrub creation resulting in an overall net gain of 36.21%. However, the off-site enhancement is illustrative only, and the applicant intends to purchase biodiversity units to meet the statutory requirement of a minimum 10% net gain. Evidence of this purchase will be required prior to commencement, in accordance with the deemed biodiversity gain condition under Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- 5.57 The ecological appraisal finds the existing garage to have negligible potential to support roosting bats. The potential for nesting birds and terrestrial mammals is noted, but impacts can be avoided through adherence to the mitigation measures set out in section 4.4 of the ecological report. These include minimising artificial lighting, avoiding vegetation clearance during the nesting season (March to August), and ensuring excavations are covered or escape routes provided to prevent harm to badgers or other terrestrial animals. A condition is recommended to secure these measures.
- 5.58 In addition to mitigation, the report recommends a suite of ecological enhancements, including the installation of one bat box, two bird boxes (open-fronted and enclosed), two swift bricks, insect bricks, hedgehog highways, and native planting within the soft landscaping scheme. These features are not currently shown on the submitted plans, and a condition is recommended requiring the submission and approval of an Ecological Enhancement Plan prior to works above slab level. The plan should include full elevation drawings showing the location and specification of integral ecological features, hedgehog access points in boundary fencing, and a planting schedule comprising primarily native species.
- 5.59 Subject to the recommended conditions and the submission of a Biodiversity Gain Plan, the proposal is considered acceptable in ecological terms and compliant with Policy EH3 of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031 and paragraphs 187, 192 and 193 of the NPPF.

#### **Trees**

5.60 The Council's Tree Officer has reviewed the proposal and raises no objection. The site is separated from the nearest tree by a stone wall, and it is considered unlikely that any substantial roots will be affected by the development. However, if tree roots are encountered during construction, the applicant is reminded that works to the tree may require consent under a Section 211 notice. An informative will therefore be added to advise the applicant that any such discovery should be reported to the Local Planning Authority before proceeding with works.

#### **Other Matters**

- 5.61 Burford Town Council raised objection to the planning application raising concerns with the submitted plans and contamination reports and also raises concerns regarding parking citing this to be insufficient and affects a historic wall.
- 5.62 Matters raised at the last committee meeting in relation to potential impact on underground pipes and damage to neighbouring walls/foundations are not considered to be material planning considerations and as such are not able to be considered as part of this proposal. The planning permission does not override personal property rights or other legislation. If any damage is caused during the construction then this will be a civil matter.

## Planning Balance and Conclusion

5.63 The application has been assessed against the relevant policies of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031, the National Planning Policy Framework, and all other material considerations. The site lies

within the built-up area of Burford, a sustainable location where the principle of residential development is supported. The Council cannot currently demonstrate a five-year housing land supply, engaging the presumption in favour of sustainable development under paragraph 11(d) of the Framework.

- The previous appeal (ref. APP/D3125/W/22/3302591) was dismissed on three grounds: harm to the character and appearance of the Burford Conservation Area and the setting of listed buildings, unjustified loss of an employment site, and inadequate amenity provision for both the existing and proposed dwellings. The current proposal has been comprehensively redesigned to address these concerns. The dwelling now reflects the footprint and scale of the previously approved office building (ref. 20/01038/FUL), reinstating spatial gaps to maintain the open character of Guildenford. The omission of first-floor bedroom windows in the south elevation removes any risk of overlooking Tiverton Cottage's garden, and the proposed garden for the new dwelling provides a usable and private amenity space. Robust marketing evidence demonstrates that the site is no longer viable for employment use, satisfying Policy E1.
- 5.65 No technical objections have been raised by statutory consultees in respect of highways, drainage, contamination, ecology, or heritage. The design is considered to preserve the character and appearance of the Conservation Area, respect the setting of listed buildings, and enhance the street scene through the removal of a visually harmful structure. Ecological enhancements and biodiversity net gain will be secured by condition, and contamination risks will be appropriately managed.
- 5.66 In the planning balance, the proposal represents a high-quality, policy-compliant redevelopment of a previously developed site, delivering a single dwelling in a sustainable location without giving rise to any identified harm. The scheme addresses all previous reasons for refusal and appeal dismissal and is therefore considered acceptable. Planning permission is recommended, subject to conditions.

#### **6 CONDITIONS**

I The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

REASON: To comply with the requirements of Section 91 of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990 as amended by Section 51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act, 2004.

2 That the development be carried out in accordance with the approved plans listed below.

REASON: For the avoidance of doubt as to what is permitted.

3 Before above ground building work commences, a schedule of materials (including samples) to be used in the elevations and roofslopes of the development shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be constructed in the approved materials.

REASON: To safeguard the character and appearance of the area.

4 Notwithstanding details contained in the application, detailed specifications and drawings of all external windows and doors to include elevations of each complete assembly at a minimum 1:20 scale and sections of each component at a minimum 1:5 scale and including details of all materials, finishes and colours shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority before that

architectural feature is commissioned/erected on site. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

REASON: To ensure the architectural detailing of the buildings reflects the established character of the area.

5 No dwelling shall be occupied until a plan indicating the positions, design, materials, type and timing of provision of boundary treatment to be erected has been agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The boundary treatment shall include provision for hedgehog highways, and shall be completed in accordance with the approved details and retained thereafter.

REASON: To safeguard the character and appearance of the area, and improve opportunities for biodiversity.

6 Before first occupation of the dwelling hereby permitted the first floor window on the southern side elevation; shall be fitted with obscure glazing and shall be retained in that condition thereafter.

REASON: To safeguard privacy in the adjacent property.

7 Prior to the commencement of development, a full surface water drainage strategy shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The strategy shall include details of the size, position and construction of the drainage scheme and results of soakage tests carried out at the site to demonstrate the infiltration rate. Three tests should be carried out for each soakage pit as per BRE 365 with the lowest infiltration rate (expressed in m/s) used for design. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details prior to the first occupation of the development hereby approved. Development shall not take place until an exceedance flow routing plan for flows above the I in 100 year + 40% climate change event has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

REASON: To ensure the proper provision for surface water drainage and to ensure flooding is not exacerbated in the locality (The West Oxfordshire Strategic Flood Risk Assessment, National Planning Policy Framework and Planning Practice Guidance). If the surface water design is not agreed before works commence, it could result in abortive works being carried out on site or alterations to the approved site layout being required to ensure flooding does not occur.

8 The development shall be completed in strict accordance with the recommendations in Section 4.4 of the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal & Biodiversity Net Gain Report (Aware Ecology, July 2025) unless varied by a Protected Species Mitigation Licence issued by Natural England. These recommendations include measures to avoid impacts to roosting bats by minimising use of artificial lighting, nesting birds by avoiding vegetation clearance during the core nesting period (March through August) and badgers/other terrestrial animals by providing means of escape from any excavations if these are left uncovered overnight.

REASON: To avoid harm to biodiversity in accordance with the NPPF 2024 paragraph 193 and Local Policy EH3. With consideration for priority species in accordance with the NPPF 2024 paragraph 192 under the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006.

9 Prior to any works above slab level, an Ecological Enhancement Plan (EEP) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The plan shall accord with the measures outlined in

the 4.5.1 of the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal & Biodiversity Net Gain Report (Aware Ecology, July 2025) associated with the planning application and shall include details of the following:

- a)Full elevations plans detailing the model and location of integral swift, bat and insect features in accordance with BS 42021:2022:
- b)Locations of 13×13cm holes in closed board fencing provided for hedgehogs; and
- c)A full planting schedule and details of soft landscaping utilising primarily native species.

The approved plan shall be implemented as described and retained thereafter.

REASON: To protect and enhance biodiversity in accordance with paragraphs 187, 192 and 193 of the National Planning Policy Framework (December 2024), and in order for the Council to comply with Part 3 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006.

10 The means of access between the land and the highway shall be constructed, laid out, surfaced, lit and drained in accordance with details that have first been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority and all ancillary works therein specified shall be undertaken in accordance with the said specification before first occupation of the dwellings hereby approved.

REASON: To ensure a safe and adequate access.

II The car parking areas (including where appropriate the marking out of parking spaces) shown on the approved plans shall be constructed before occupation of the development and thereafter retained and used for no other purpose.

REASON: To ensure that adequate car parking facilities are provided in the interests of road safety.

- 12 No development shall take place until a site-specific Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP), completed by a suitably competent person, has been submitted to (and approved in writing by) the Local Planning Authority. The plan must demonstrate the adoption and use of the Best Practicable Means (BPM) to reduce any adverse impact to the surrounding environment and community in terms of noise, vibration, dust and lighting. The plan must detail, at a minimum:
  - Procedures for maintaining good public relations including a comprehensive complaints procedure.
  - All works and ancillary operations which may be audible at the site boundary, including hours of operation.
  - Deliveries and removals, including hours of operation.
  - Mitigation measures (as defined in 'BS 5528: Parts I and 2: 2009 Noise and Vibration Control on Construction and Open Sites') and how they shall be used to minimise noise disturbance.
  - Procedures for emergency deviation of the agreed working hours.
  - Control measures for dust and other air-borne pollutants.
  - Measures for controlling the use of site lighting whether required for safe working or for security purposes.

REASON: In the interests of the amenity of surrounding occupiers during the construction of the development.

13 No development shall take place until a remediation scheme, specifying the measures to be taken to remediate the site to render it suitable for the development hereby permitted shall be submitted to and

approved in writing by the local planning authority. The remediation scheme should address the potentially active pathways identified in the Phase I Desk Study and Phase II Geotechnical and Geo-Environmental Report (Dated July 2021. Ref: 21-05-06).

REASON: To ensure any contamination of the site is identified and appropriately remediated. Relevant Policies: West Oxfordshire Local Planning Policy EH8 and Section 15 of the NPPF.

14 The Remediation Scheme, as agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority, shall be fully implemented in accordance with the approved timetable of works and before the development hereby permitted is first occupied. Any variation to the scheme shall be agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority in advance of works being undertaken. On completion of the works the developer shall submit to the Local Planning Authority a verification report confirming that all works were completed in accordance with the agreed details.

If, during the course of development, any contamination is found which has not been identified in the site investigation, additional measures for the remediation of this contamination shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The remediation of the site shall incorporate the approved additional measures.

REASON: To ensure any contamination of the site is identified and appropriately remediated. Relevant Policies: West Oxfordshire Local Planning Policy EH8 and Section 15 of the NPPF.

15 No dwelling hereby approved shall be occupied until the means to ensure a maximum water consumption of 110 litres use per person per day, in accordance with policy OS3, has been complied with for that dwelling and retained in perpetuity thereafter.

REASON: To improve the sustainability of the dwellings in accordance with policy OS3 of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031.

#### **INFORMATIVES:-**

- I. Applicants are strongly encouraged to minimise energy and carbon emissions from buildings through:
  - Low carbon heating (fossil fuel free) and renewable energy generation, for example heat pumps and solar photovoltaic panels
  - Wall, floor and roof insulation, and ventilation
  - High performing triple glazed windows and airtight frames
  - Energy and water efficient appliances and fittings
  - Water recycling
  - Materials with low embodied carbon

For further guidance, please visit:

https://www.westoxon.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-permission/make-a-planning-application/planning-application-supporting-information/sustainability-standards-checklist/https://www.westoxon.gov.uk/environment/climate-action/how-to-achieve-net-zero-carbon-homes/

- 2. Important: the statutory Biodiversity Net Gain objective of 10% applies to this planning permission and development cannot commence until a Biodiversity Gain Plan has been submitted (as a condition compliance application) to and approved by West Oxfordshire District Council. The effect of paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 is that planning permission granted for the development of land in England is deemed to have been granted subject to the condition "(the biodiversity gain condition") that development may not begin unless (a) a Biodiversity Gain Plan has been submitted to the planning authority, and (b) the planning authority has approved the plan. Advice about how to prepare a Biodiversity Gain Plan and a template can be found at https://www.gov.uk/guidance/submit-a-biodiversity-gain-plan.
- 3. The applicant is advised that if tree roots are encountered during construction, works to the tree may require consent under a Section 211 notice. In such circumstances, the Local Planning Authority must be notified immediately before any further works affecting the tree are undertaken.

**Contact Officer:** Mr Emile Baldauf-Clark

Date: 3rd December 2025



# Agenda Item 6

## West Oxfordshire District Council - DELEGATED ITEMS

| Application Types Key |   |               |                                       |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|---|---------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| <u>Suffix</u>         |   | <u>Suffix</u> |                                       |  |  |  |
| ADV                   | Advertisement Consent                   | LBC           | Listed Building Consent               |  |  |  |
| CC3REG                | County Council Regulation 3             | LBD           | Listed Building Consent - Demolition  |  |  |  |
| CC4REG                | County Council Regulation 4             | OUT           | Outline Application                   |  |  |  |
| CM                    | County Matters                          | RES           | Reserved Matters Application          |  |  |  |
| FUL                   | Full Application                        | S73           | Removal or Variation of Condition/s   |  |  |  |
| HHD                   | Householder Application                 | POB           | Discharge of Planning Obligation/s    |  |  |  |
| CLP                   | Certificate of Lawfulness Proposed      | CLE           | Certificate of Lawfulness Existing    |  |  |  |
| CLASSM                | Change of Use – Agriculture to          | CND           | Discharge of Conditions               |  |  |  |
|                       | Commercial                              | PDET28        | Agricultural Prior Approval           |  |  |  |
| HAZ                   | Hazardous Substances Application        | PN56          | Change of Use Agriculture to Dwelling |  |  |  |
| PN42                  | Householder Application under Permitted | POROW         | Creation or Diversion of Right of Way |  |  |  |
| D. IT                 | Development legislation.                | TCA           | Works to Trees in a Conservation Area |  |  |  |
| PNT                   | Telecoms Prior Approval                 | TPO           | Works to Trees subject of a Tree      |  |  |  |
| NMA                   | Non Material Amendment                  | <b>FD</b> 0   | Preservation Order                    |  |  |  |
| WDN                   | Withdrawn                               | FDO           | Finally Disposed Of                   |  |  |  |
|                       |   | CONBGP        | Discharge of BNG Plan                 |  |  |  |
| Decision              | <u>Description</u>                      | Decision      | <u>Description</u>                    |  |  |  |
| <u>Code</u>           |   | <u>Code</u>   | •                                     |  |  |  |
| APP                   | Approve                                 | RNO           | Raise no objection                    |  |  |  |
| REF                   | Refuse                                  | ROB           | Raise Objection                       |  |  |  |
| PIREQ                 | Prior Approval Required                 | P2NRQ         | Prior Approval Not Required           |  |  |  |
| P3APP                 | Prior Approval Approved                 | P3REF         | Prior Approval Refused                |  |  |  |
| P4APP                 | Prior Approval Approved                 | P4REF         | Prior Approval Refused                |  |  |  |
| SPLT                  | Split Decision                          |               |                                       |  |  |  |

# West Oxfordshire District Council – DELEGATED ITEMS Week Ending 13th November 2025

Application Number. Ward. Decision.

25/00098/CLE Kingham, Rollright and REF Enstone

Certificate of lawfulness (use of land for recreation and other purposes ancillary to the main caravan and camping site)

**Caravan Park Merryweather Farm Hook Norton Road** Mr White

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2. **25/01202/CND** 

Stonesfield and Tackley

APP

Discharge of condition 15 (Construction Traffic Management Plan) of Planning Permission 24/01041/FUL (additional information submitted)

**Woodleys House Woodleys Woodstock** 

3. **25/01590/FUL** 

Milton Under Wychwood

**APP** 

Installation of classrooms and ablutions to work in conjunction with additional facilities to form Cadet Training Centre (CTC)

Land At Little Rissington Airfield Fifield Oxfordshire

Mr Steve Ward

4. 25/01624/FUL

Chipping Norton

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Proposed reinsertion of original windows to East/South elevation (part retrospective)

**II West Street Chipping Norton Oxfordshire** 

Mr Simon Pirzada

5. **25/01806/HHD** 

Stonesfield and Tackley

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Fitting of an electric car charging socket to front elevation of dwelling.

II Nethercote Road Tackley Kidlington

Mr Robin Gregory

6. 25/01807/LBC

Stonesfield and Tackley

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Internal and external alterations to fit an electric car charging socket to front elevation.

**II Nethercote Road Tackley Kidlington** 

Mr Robin Gregory

7. 25/01982/RES

Hailey, Minster Lovell and

APP

Leafield

Reserved Matters application pursuant to Outline Planning Permission 22/02437/OUT for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the erection of a farm workers dwelling and the discharge of condition 5 (surface water drainage scheme) (amended plans).

Fairspear Hill Farm Leafield Witney

Mr and Mrs Adams

#### 8. **25/01992/LBC**

Kingham, Enstone Rollright and

APP

Minor repair works including replacement lintels, repair blockwork and stonework and roof and guttering works.

## Soho Farmhouse Great Tew Chipping Norton

Soho House UK Limited

#### 9. **25/02017/S73**

Chadlington and Churchill

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 25/00180/HHD to allow new window to West elevation of existing building, new ground floor window to South elevation of extension and new first floor covered balcony to West elevation of extension.

## **Taston Barn Taston Chipping Norton**

Janine Whitehead

#### 10. **25/02041/HHD**

Charlbury and Finstock

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Works to include single-storey extensions to the main house together with conversion of loft to provide additional living space and a garage. Construction of a new outbuilding comprising office, we and games room to replace the existing stables. Installation of swimming pool and associated landscaping works.

# 73 High Street Finstock Chipping Norton

Mr Laurence Miller

#### 11. 25/02055/HHD

Charlbury and Finstock

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Removal of existing rear conservatory and erection of a single storey rear extension **Sunnyside Church Street Charlbury** 

Ms Isabel Oakeshott

#### 12. **25/02056/LBC**

Charlbury and Finstock

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Internal and external alterations to include the removal of existing rear conservatory and erection of a single storey rear extension with Internal alterations to include changes to the ground floor layout

## **Sunnyside Church Street Charlbury**

Ms Isabel Oakeshott

13. **25/02061/S73** 

Kingham, Enstone Rollright and

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Variation of condition 2 of permission 22/02008/FUL to allow conversion of outbuilding to form home office

#### **Land North Of Home Farm Chastleton**

Maureen and Derek Harte

14. 25/02089/LBC

Chipping Norton

**WDN** 

Affecting a Conservation Area

Replace existing first floor metal sash windows in front elevation with new Legacy UPVC sashes.

#### **4A West Street Chipping Norton Oxfordshire**

Molls Yard Limited

15. **25/02139/FUL** 

Chadlington and Churchill

**APP** 

Construction and installation of an art sculpture, timber canopy/shelter and timber banquet table within the Glade area together with associated works including the provision of timber walkway. (Retrospective).

#### **Treedwellers Witney Road Finstock**

Mr Tim Rees

16. 25/02145/FUL

Milton Under Wychwood

**APP** 

Proposed alterations and enlargement of existing building including extension at rear ground floor for kitchen/dining area for first and second floor flat (part retrospective) (amended plans)

# **Dashwood House Shipton Road Milton Under Wychwood**

Mr and Mrs Potter

17. **25/02149/HHD** 

**Burford** 

**APP** 

Part conversion of existing garage to create home office (retrospective)

## 12 Forest Grove Burford Oxfordshire

Mr Duncan Jamieson

18. **25/02176/HHD** 

**Burford** 

**APP** 

Renovation of main dwelling to include replacement windows and erection of a porch, construction of a detached garage with living space above and associated works

## **Shepherd Cottage Westhall Hill Fulbrook**

Mr Tim Pearce

19. **25/02177/LBC** Burford APP

Internal and external alterations to include replacement windows and construction of a front porch. Internal alterations to include refurbishment works with changes to floor layouts and the relocation of the first to second floor staircase.

## **Shepherd Cottage Westhall Hill Fulbrook**

Mr Tim Pearce

20. **25/02186/CND** Chipping Norton APP

Discharge of condition 9 (foul water capacity) of outline planning permission 23/00536/OUT Land South Of Hit Or Miss Farm Banbury Road Chipping Norton

Mr Matthew Jeal

21. **25/02197/FUL** Milton Under Wychwood APP

Conversion of existing barns to create a single dwelling.

**Bould Farm Bould Chipping Norton** 

Mr Charles Arkell

22. **25/02198/LBC** Milton Under Wychwood APP

Internal and external alterations to convert existing barns to create a single dwelling.

**Bould Farm Bould Chipping Norton**Mr Charles Arkell

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23. **25/02204/\$73** Kingham, Rollright and APP

Enstone

Affecting a Conservation Area

Variation of condition 2 and 3 of permission 24/02818/HHD to allow increase the footprint of front extension and changes to the roof material and the extent of external cladding

**Milestones Main Street Over Norton** 

Mr J. Taylor

24. **25/02218/HHD** Charlbury and Finstock APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Erection of a single storey rear extension

**Talbot Farm Thames Street Charlbury** 

Mrs A Clarke

25. 25/02219/LBC Charlbury and Finstock

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Internal and external alterations to include erection of a single storey rear extension and alterations to ground floor layout

**Talbot Farm Thames Street Charlbury** 

Mrs A Clarke

25/02233/HHD 26.

Kingham,

Rollright and **WDN** 

Enstone

Affecting a Conservation Area

Remedial works and alterations to include erection of a single storey extension (part retrospective)

Wytons 41 The Green Great Tew

Mr Nicholas Johnston

27. 25/02234/LBC Kingham,

Rollright

and

**WDN** 

Enstone

Affecting a Conservation Area

Internal and external alterations to include erection of a single storey extension (part retrospective)

Wytons 41 The Green Great Tew

Mr Nicholas Johnston

28. 25/02236/HHD Chipping Norton

**APP** 

Erection of front porch, single storey side extension, single and two storey rear extensions (amended plans)

6 Marshall Close Chipping Norton Oxfordshire

Mr J Blake

29. 25/02249/CLE Chadlington and Churchill

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Certificate of lawful Development (existing) for reroofing works, addition of Velux windows to annex and erection of a rear extension.

The Pyramid House Church Lane Spelsbury

Ms Emma Stacey

#### 30. 25/02252/LBC

Burford

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Removal of existing kitchen and bathroom. Internal and external alterations to include erection of single storey link extension to enclose courtyard and conversion of outbuilding to provide additional living space. Construction of first floor extension to create ensuite for bedroom 2 and changes to ground and first floor layout. Works to include the addition of solar panels to West roof slopes, a air source heat pump and urgent repair and structural works. (part retrospective) (amended plans)

Cartref 21 Witney Street Burford

P Bigwood

31. 25/02266/LBC Kingham,

and

Rollright

**APP** 

Enstone

Affecting a Conservation Area

Internal and external alterations to convert Barn 6 to a home office

Land North Of Home Farm Chastleton

Maureen and Derek Harte

25/02267/FUL 32.

Alvescot and Filkins

APP

Amalgamation of two properties (Nos 5 and 6 Mitford Cottages) into one, including installation of a new chimney, alterations to fenestration and single storey extensions to both North and West elevations.

**5 Mitford Cottages Westwell Burford** 

Mrs Celia Gough

33. 25/02280/CND Kingham,

Rollright and **APP** 

Enstone

Discharge of conditions 8 (noise management) of permission 25/01064/FUL

Car Park At Countrywide Storage Hook Norton Road Chipping Norton

Miss Chantal Palmer

34. 25/02337/CONBGP Kingham, Enstone

Rollright and APP

Discharge of Condition 5 (Landscape and ecological management plan) of Permission 25/01064/FUL

Car Park At Countrywide Storage Hook Norton Road Chipping Norton

Miss Chantal Palmer

35. **25/02284/\$73** Burford APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 25/01470/HHD to allow the inclusion of solar panels to west facing roof slopes and an air source heat pump to north end of building

Cartref 21 Witney Street Burford

P Bigwood

36. **25/02292/CLP** Milton Under Wychwood APP

Certificate of Lawfulness (conversion of garage to create additional living space)

22 Poplar Farm Close Milton Under Wychwood Chipping Norton

Mr Matthew Rivett

37. **25/02310/FUL** Chadlington and Churchill APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Change of use of two small areas of adjacent amenity land to enlarge residential curtilage.

The Barn Cottage Dean Chipping Norton

C/O Agent

38. **25/02320/HHD** Chipping Norton APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Demolition of the existing timber balcony and external staircase. Erection of a replacement balcony with balustrade and external staircase together with associated works and landscaping.

Rowells House 37 West Street Chipping Norton

Mr And Mrs Rand

39. **25/02321/LBC** Chipping Norton APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Internal and external alterations to include changes to internal ground floor layout to create a wet room, demolition of the existing timber balcony and external staircase, erection of a replacement balcony with balustrade and external staircase together with associated works.

**Rowells House 37 West Street Chipping Norton** 

Mr And Mrs Rand

40. 25/02314/S73 Hailey, Minster Lovell and APP

Leafield

Affecting a Conservation Area

Variation of Condition 2 of permission 25/01571/S73 to confirm the removal of several trees required to facilitate the development

**Red House Witney Lane Leafield** 

Mr Richard Tomlinson

41. **25/02328/FUL** 

Stonesfield and Tackley

**APP** 

Erection of single storey side and rear extensions together with new bin store. Formation of access drive within site to serve new car parks at rear.

**Judds Garage Woodleys Woodstock** 

Mr Bobby Bassi

42. **25/02335/CLP** 

Milton Under Wychwood

**WDN** 

Certificate of Lawfulness (Installation of ground mounted solar panels in rear garden).

Lovegrove Upper Milton Milton Under Wychwood

Mr Arthur Hale

43. **25/02343/HHD** 

Stonesfield and Tackley

**APP** 

Affecting a Conservation Area

Demolition of existing shed and construction of detached self-contained annexe.

Holly Cottage The Walk Wootton

Mr Robert Earle

44. **25/02344/S73** 

Chipping Norton

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Variation of condition 5 of planning permission 20/03011/FUL to allow changes to the car parking layout.

2 West Street Chipping Norton Oxfordshire

Mr Nick Grant

45. **25/02353/HHD** 

Ascott and Shipton

APP

Alterations to roof pitch of dwelling to create additional first floor living space. Conversion and extension of garage to create a home gym with shower and sauna room

**Chapel Barn High Street Lyneham** 

Mr Edward James

46. **25/02361/CND** 

Kingham, Rollright Enstone

and

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Discharge of Condition 6 (schedule of materials) of Planning Permission 25/00519/HHD.

**April Cottage Daylesford Road Kingham** 

Mr Matt Dance

Witney West

**APP** 

#### 47. **25/02371/S73**

Kingham, Enstone Rollright and

APP

Variation of condition 2 (to allow changes to approved plans to include basements additions to some of the approved residences) of permission 22/03415/FUL along with alterations to trigger points of conditions 4 (means of access), 11 (construction traffic management plan), 16 (drinking water), 22 (construction environmental management plan), 25 (contamination), 28 (archaeological evaluation), 39 (aircraft safety) and 40 (community employment strategy)

The Driving Centre Enstone Airfield Enstone

Mam Dev Co Ltd

48. **25/02373/HHD** 

Stonesfield and Tackley

**REF** 

Construction of carport on the side of the property. (Retrospective).

10 Wootton End Stonesfield Witney

Mr Michael Pearse

49. **25/02401/HHD** 

Stonesfield and Tackley

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Erection of single storey rear extension with installation of new chimney flue, single storey front extension to existing garage with construction of rear patio and decking.

**70 Castle Road Wootton Woodstock** 

Mr and Mrs Adrian and Viv Insley

50. **25/02446/HHD** 

Chipping Norton

**APP** 

The construction of a rear dormer window, insertion of a rooflight in front roof slope, and alterations to the fenestration including the addition of a first floor side window. (Part Retrospective)

7 Toy Lane Chipping Norton Oxfordshire

Mrs Jemimah Hall

51. **25/02450/HHD** 

Freeland and Hanborough

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Replacement of flat roof over utility to pitched roof with no 3. rooflights and associated works

I Myrtle Close Long Hanborough Witney

Karen Phillips

52. **25/02464/HHD** 

Woodstock and Bladon

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Erection of greenhouse

18 Park Street Woodstock Oxfordshire

Prof. Simon Davis & Dr Susan Daenke

53. **25/02505/CND** 

Chipping Norton

APP

Discharge of Condition 15 (external lighting) of Reserved Matters permission 24/00921/RES Land South Of Hit Or Miss Farm Banbury Road Chipping Norton Samuel Robinson

54. **25/02506/CND** 

Kingham, Rollright

and

APP

Enstone

Discharge of Conditions 15 (comprehensive landscape scheme), 16 (landscaping scheme for the pond) & 17 (enhancements for biodiversity) of Planning Permission 24/00272/FUL

Taillards Barn Gagingwell Chipping Norton

Mr Crawford and Ms Williams

55. **25/02519/FUL** 

Freeland and Hanborough

APP

The change of use from a fitness retreat to a single residential dwelling.

The Close Witney Road Long Hanborough

C/o Agent

56. **25/02539/CND** 

Charlbury and Finstock

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Discharge of condition 4 (soft landscaping scheme) of Planning Permission 25/01026/HHD.

Woody Lane House Woody Lane Charlbury

Mr | Schicht

57. **25/02540/LBC** 

Kingham, Rollright

and

**APP** 

Enstone

Affecting a Conservation Area

Raise the height of a section of the boundary wall fronting the highway.

No Oven Cottage Chipping Norton Road Little Tew

C/O Agent

58. **25/02546/LBC** 

Charlbury and Finstock

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Internal and external alterations to existing north roof slope to include re-slating with original slates and reclaimed Stonesfield slate and associated repair works as required.

The Stone House Church Street Charlbury

Mr Alex Birch

#### 59. **25/02561/CND**

The Bartons

APP

Affecting a Conservation Area

Discharge of Condition 4 (means of access) of Planning Permission 25/01514/HHD 10 Enstone Road Middle Barton Chipping Norton Mrs Liz Jupp

60. **25/02597/CND** 

Chadlington and Churchill

**APP** 

Discharge of condition 7 (Precautionary Working Method Statement) and condition 11 (contamination) of Planning Permission 25/01315/FUL

Storage Land Horseshoe Lane Chadlington

Mr Gavin Aldworth

61. **25/02643/PDET28** 

Charlbury and Finstock

P2NRQ

Affecting a Conservation Area

Formation of a perimeter track for agricultural use (amended plans)

**Charlbury House Woodstock Road Charlbury** 

Charlbury Tree Services Richard Van Den Broek

62. **25/02645/PDET28** 

Charlbury and Finstock

P2NRQ

Affecting a Conservation Area

Erection of an agricultural building together with associated concrete apron, to be used for general storage of land management equipment.

Land East Of Fawler Road Charlbury

Mr Richard Van Den Broek

**Uplands Appeal Decisions** 

## APP/D3125/W/25/3363544

Land At Brook Lane, Stonesfield, OX29 8PR

Permission in principle for the erection of one dwelling.

Appeal allowed.

# APP/D3125/W/25/3362574

Land to the south of Field House, Westhall Hill, Fulbrook OX18 4BJ

Permission in principle for the erection of one dwelling.

Appeal allowed.

## APP/D3125/W/24/3357979

Leafield Technical Centre, Langley, Oxfordshire OX29 9EF

Variation of condition 19 of permission 22/03408/FUL to allow the removal of the restriction on the 8 x barn style cabins that prevent them for being used as permanent occupation or as a primary place of residence.

Appeal dismissed.

