#### PLANNING COMMITTEE - 15 JANUARY 2019

Application No:	18/00973/FULM		
Proposal:	Erection of 62 residential dwellings including new vehicular access road and removal of eight TPO trees (TPO N313)		
Location:	Site Of The Bearings, Bowbridge Road, Newark On Trent		
Applicant:	Mr B Casswell - Westleigh Partnerships Ltd.		
Registered:	29 May 2018 Target Date: 28 <sup>th</sup> August 2018		
	Extension of time agreed until 22 <sup>ND</sup> January 2019		

This application is being presented to the Planning Committee in line with the Council's Scheme of Delegation as Newark Town Council has objected to the application which differs to the professional officer recommendation.

#### <u>The Site</u>

The site comprises a brown field site that lies within the built up part of Newark.

The site is approximately 1.6 hectares in area that forms a basic rectangular shaped parcel of land. It was formerly occupied by 'RHP The Bearings' and used for commercial industrial use and for conferences and training. The two buildings that were on site have been demolished and the land is now a flat site covered in concrete hard standing although it is overgrown.

There are two access points into the site from Bowbridge Road.

There are various protected trees within the site, most of which are along the western and northern boundaries which provide a mature visual screen with existing residential properties. There are also protected trees to the north eastern and south eaterns corners of the site. The southern boundary comprises established conifers which also provide a good level of screening. The frontage of the site with Bowbridge Road is bounded by metal railings, which are now looking unkempt because the paintwork is peeling off.

The site lies in a predominantly residential area with the terrace dwellings of Lime Grove to the west, Jubilee Street/Bowbridge Road to the north and Bowbridge Road to the east. Immediately to the south of the site is a terrace of commercial properties comprising 2 retail units and a café. With Newark Hospital and its associated buildings beyond.

The existing area is characterised largely by traditional Victorian terraces fronting the back edge of the footpath with long thin gardens. The rows of terraces together with the linear street form of the surrounding area create a strong grid-like character.

#### **Relevant Planning History**

07/01331/FULM - Full planning permission was granted on the 19 December 2007 for the

Demolition of existing buildings and erection of 89 units of residential accommodation.

10/01699/FULM – Full planning permission was granted on the 30 November 2011 for the demolition of existing building and erection of 89 units of residential accommodation (renewal of extant planning permission). This secured 30% Affordable Housing on site comprising 10 x shared ownership (1x1 bed apart, 3x2bed apart, 4x2bed houses, 2x3 bed houses) and 16 Social Rented Housing (11x1 bed aparts, 3x2bed aparts,1x2 bed house,1x3bed house), Community Facilities contribution of £110,137.50, Integrated Transport Contribution of £24,800 and Libraries contribution of £18,020.

#### The Proposal

Full planning permission is now sought or the erection of 62 no. dwellings (5 single storey and 77 two storey buildings) comprising:-

12 no. 1-bed flats;

33 no. 2-bed dwellings;

13 no. 3-bed dwellings; and

4 no. 4-bed dwellings.

A revised tenure type of 32 intermediate properties and 30 affordable rent properties has been deposited with the latest Viability appraisal on the 26 October 2018.

The development comprises 5 single storey properties the remainder being maximum 2 storey height properties. The majority of the units are semi detached although there are a few terraces of 3 units.

The scheme is served by a central access road which runs the full length of the site in an east to west direct with private drives running to the south and north western corner. There are three main pockets of open space together with smaller areas landscaped space within the site.

The application has been accompanied by the following documents:-

Design and Access Statement;

**Planning Statement** 

Affordable Housing Statement;

Tree schedule

Flood Risk Assessment

Phase II Site Appraisal

Transport Statement

The following plans have been submitted for consideration:-

41040 001N – Revised site layout deposited 23.08.18

41040 02A – Amended Public Open Space Plan – deposited 02.07.18

41040 004 House type H57 Pair

41040 005 House type H68 Pair

41040 006 House type H98 Pair

41040 007 House type H82Pair

41040 008 House type H68 H75 Pair

41040 009 House type H68 H75 Pair Handed

41040 0010 House type H82 H75 Pair

41040 011 House type M46 Flats

41040 012 House type M46 Flats Side Entrance

41040 013 House type H68 H68 H75 Terrace

41040 014 House type 57 Terrace

41040 017B External Materials

41040 019 House type H68 H 82 Pair

41040 016C - Revised Boundary Treatment Plan deposited 17.12.18

41040 018C - Revised Street scene deposited 17.12.18

Departure/Public Advertisement Procedure

Occupiers of 140 properties have been individually notified by letter. A site notice has also been displayed near to the site and an advert has been placed in the local press.

#### **Planning Policy Framework**

#### The Development Plan

# Newark and Sherwood Core Strategy DPD (adopted March 2011)

- Spatial Policy 1 Settlement Hierarchy
- Spatial Policy 2 Spatial Distribution of Growth
- Spatial Policy 3 Rural Areas
- Core Policy 9 Sustainable Design
- Core Policy 10 Climate Change
- Core Policy 12 Biodiversity and Green Infrastructure
- Core Policy 14 Historic Environment

#### Allocations & Development Management DPD

- Policy DM4 Renewable and Low Carbon Energy Generation
- Policy DM5 Design
- Policy DM7 Biodiversity and Green Infrastructure
- Policy DM8 Development in the Open Countryside

Policy DM9 – Protecting and Enhancing the Historic Environment Policy DM12 – Presumption in Favour of Sustainable Development

#### **Other Material Planning Considerations**

- National Planning Policy Framework 2012
- Planning Practice Guidance 2014
- SPD: Conversion of Traditional Rural Buildings, adopted November 2014

#### **Consultations**

**Newark Town Council (received 28.06.18)** - It was decided to OBJECT to this application on the potential traffic and parking impact on Bowbridge Road, the concern of 3 egresses within close proximity of one another onto an already very busy road, the removal of trees on the site boundary with no plans to replace them and the need for better boundary landscaping.

**Comments received 02.08.18** - Members felt that none of the issues raised in their previous comments from 27th June, 2018 had been addressed and therefore wish to raise Objection to this application on the same grounds as before:

'It was decided to OBJECT to this application on the potential traffic and parking impact on Bowbridge Road, the concern of 3 egresses within close proximity of one another onto an already very busy road, the removal of trees on the site boundary with no plans to replace them and the need for better boundary landscaping'.

**Environment Agency– (received 31.05.18)** The site falls in Flood Zone 1 and the LLFA should be consulted.

**Nottinghamshire County Council Lead local Flood Authority (received 18.06.18)** - No objections to the proposals based on the submitted documents.

**Comments received 30.07.18** - please refer to our comments dated 18 June 2018

Severn Trent Water – No comments received.

# Trent Valley Drainage Board – comments received 03.08.18

The site is outside of the Trent Valley Internal Drainage Board district but within the Board's catchment.

There are no Board maintained watercourses in close proximity to the site.

Under the provisions of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010, and the Land Drainage Act 1991, the prior written consent of the Lead Local Flood Authority, Nottinghamshire County Council, is required for any proposed works or structures in any watercourse outside those designated main rivers and Board Drainage Districts.

No development should be commenced until the Local Planning Authority, in consultation with the Lead Local Flood Authority has approved a scheme for the provision, implementation and future maintenance of a surface water drainage system. The Board would wish to be consulted directly if the following cannot be achieved and discharge affects the Boards District:

- Existing catchments and sub-catchments to be maintained.
- Surface water run-off limited to 1.4l/s/ha for pumped and lowland catchments.

The design, operation and future maintenance of site drainage systems must be agreed with the Lead Local Flood Authority and Local Planning Authority.

No further comments are made

#### Natural England – (received 04.06.18)

Natural England has no comments to make on this application.

Natural England has not assessed this application for impacts on protected species. Natural England has published Standing Advice which you can use to assess impacts on protected species or you may wish to consult your own ecology services for advice.

Natural England and the Forestry Commission have also published standing advice on ancient woodland and veteran trees which you can use to assess any impacts on ancient woodland.

The lack of comment from Natural England does not imply that there are no impacts on the natural environment, but only that the application is not likely to result in significant impacts on statutory designated nature conservation sites or landscapes. It is for the local planning authority to determine whether or not this application is consistent with national and local policies on the natural environment. Other bodies and individuals may be able to provide information and advice on the environmental value of this site and the impacts of the proposal to assist the decision making process. We advise LPAs to obtain specialist ecological or other environmental advice when determining the environmental impacts of development.

We recommend referring to our SSSI Impact Risk Zones (available on Magic and as a downloadable dataset) prior to consultation with Natural England. Further guidance on when to consult Natural England on planning and development proposals is available on gov.uk at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-planning-authorities-get-environmental-advice">https://www.gov.uk/guidance/local-planning-authorities-get-environmental-advice</a>.

#### **Comments received 24.07.18** reiterate previous comments

**NSDC Environmental Health Contamination (received 08.06.18)** - I have now had the opportunity to review the Phase I Site Appraisal (Desk Study) and Phase II.

Site Appraisal reports submitted by GRM in support of the above planning application. The desktop includes a detailed description of the site, a review of the earlier site investigation report (Grontmij 2007), consideration of the site history and includes an Environmental Screening report. The report then goes on to propose an appropriate preliminary conceptual site model.

Following this work, intrusive sampling has identified areas where further works will be required which include completion of the gas monitoring program and remediation of the asbestos containing materials amongst several other recommendations.

I generally concur with the reports findings and shall await the submission of the suggested Remediation Strategy and Gas Verification Plan prior to commenting further at this stage. I would therefore recommend the use of our full phased contamination condition. **Comments received 12.08.18** – Please refer to previous comments dated 08.06.18

**Latest comments received 05.12.18** - I have now received the Additional Contamination Report (21/5/18) and Gas Addendum Letter (16/6/18) submitted by GRM in support of the above application and can comment as follows:

Additional Contamination Report - Confirms the elevated hydrocarbon contamination in an area of the site (TP104, TP105 & TP108). Due to the depth of the contaminated material (>2m) the risk to human health is deemed acceptable providing site levels remain unchanged. I can concur with this assessment however I would expect the validation report to confirm that sufficient depth to be protective remains post development. I would also expect hydrocarbon resistant water pipes are used in this area of the site.

The risk to controlled waters is significant and a remedial method statement is proposed, I look forward to receiving this which should also be forwarded to the Environment Agency for comment.

Gas Addendum Letter - I can concur with the proposed Characteristic Situation 2 (CS2) gas protection measures for plots 15 to 20 and 24 to 25 due to the elevated CO2. I look forward to receiving the validation documentation for this work.

In addition to the above the earlier reports identified asbestos contamination and recommended specialist contractors were used to remove it. I would expect submission of documentation confirming that this has been completed successfully.

Any material imported for use in garden or landscape areas will need to be certified as clean.

As the site characterisation has now been completed with submission of the phase 1 and 2 reports, I can accept the discharge of part A of the contamination condition. However due to the above outstanding matters I would recommend the continued use of the subsequent parts as copied below:

# Part B: Submission of Remediation Scheme

A detailed remediation scheme to bring the site to a condition suitable for the intended use by removing unacceptable risks to human health, buildings and other property and the natural and historical environment must be prepared, and is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority. The scheme must include all works to be undertaken, proposed remediation objectives and remediation criteria, timetable of works and site management procedures. The scheme must ensure that the site will not qualify as contaminated land under Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 in relation to the intended use of the land after remediation.

#### Part C: Implementation of Approved Remediation Scheme

The approved remediation scheme must be carried out in accordance with its terms prior to the commencement of development other than that required to carry out remediation, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The Local Planning Authority must be given two weeks written notification of commencement of the remediation scheme works.

Following completion of measures identified in the approved remediation scheme, a verification report (referred to in PPS23 as a validation report) that demonstrates the effectiveness of the

remediation carried out must be produced, and is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority.

#### Part D: Reporting of Unexpected Contamination

In the event that contamination is found at any time when carrying out the approved development that was not previously identified it must be reported in writing immediately to the Local Planning Authority. An investigation and risk assessment must be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Part A, and where remediation is necessary a remediation scheme must be prepared in accordance with the requirements of Part B, which is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority.

Following completion of measures identified in the approved remediation scheme a verification report must be prepared, which is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority in accordance with Part C.

Reason: To ensure that risks from land contamination to the future users of the land and neighbouring land are minimised, together with those to controlled waters, property and ecological systems, and to ensure that the development can be carried out safely without unacceptable risks to workers, neighbours and other offsite receptors.

#### Notes to Applicant.

An advisory booklet is available – "A guide to Developing Land in Nottinghamshire". This is available from NSDC website using the following link:

http://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/landpollution/

*Prior to undertaking an intrusive site investigation the applicant is advised to consult with:* 

Natural England Block 6 & 7 Government Buildings Chalfont Drive Nottingham NG8 3SN Tel: 0115 929 1191 Fax: 0115 929 4886 Email: eastmidlands@naturalengland.org.uk

English Heritage Ancient Monuments Inspector 44 Derngate Northampton, NN1 1UH Tel: 01604 735400 Fax 01604 735401 E-mail: eastmidlands@english-heritage.org.uk

Heritage Planning Specialists Nottinghamshire County Council Trent Bridge House Fox Road West Bridgford Nottingham NG2 6BJ Tel: +44 (0)115 977 2162 Fax: +44 (0)115 977 2418 E-mail: heritage@nottscc.gov.uk

to prevent damage or harm to the historic environment.

NSDC Environmental Heath - confirm that they have no comments to make.

**Comments received 07.08.18** - confirm that there are no additional comments to make.

**Arboricultural Consultant (received 08.06.18)** - Although the submitted tree report broadly addresses the requirements for tree survey/constraints and protection purposes I do have some concerns on the proposed layout.

Several plots are likely to be in direct conflict with retained trees subject to TPO which will only increase as these trees mature with resultant repeat applications for removal or repeat pruning to alleviate lack of light/seasonal nuisance issues.

Of particular concern are trees T20-24,T32,T4 and T1/2. Similar issues are also likely but to a lesser degree with trees T7,T8,T9 and T34.

Trees T4 and T34 also have areas of hard standing within RPAS which while this impact can be reduced by no-dig this option is rarely followed through due to the differences in ground height and edging required between standard and geoweb construction.

I also have some concerns that there is little in the way of mitigation planting proposed across the site, especially given the high number of proposed tree removals. Proposed planting areas leave little room for trees of any large species size or scope for future full development I,e enclosed next to hard surfacing and/or directly adjacent to new builds.

**Comments received 13.07.18** - No further comments. Previous issues raised are still considered pertinent.

**Nottinghamshire County Council Highway Authority (received 13.06.18)** - The proposal shown on drawing 41040-015A and supported by a Transport Statement is acceptable subject to a few minor amendments which are sought below:

A couple of more visitor car spaces should each be provided in relation to plots 1-6 and plots 39-44.

Car spaces allied to plot 52 are remote and the tendency will be for on-street parking to occur on the road in front of that property.

The private drive serving plots 10-18 should be 4.8m wide at least for the first 10m or so (currently it appears to be 4.25m).

The traffic calming feature may not be necessary. Assuming this is not a critical 'planning matter', this could be discussed further at the time when a Section 38 Road Adoption Agreement is being pursued.

A waiting restriction should be introduced on the west side of Bowbridge Road to protect junction visibility splays in the interests of safety and the protection of two-way traffic flow. This is due to the amount of parking that can take place on the section of road.

Subject to these matters being addressed, it would appear that a scheme can be offered a conditional permission. Suitable 'highway' conditions will be offered once revised plans are received.

**Latest comments received 31<sup>st</sup> July 2018** - Further to comments dated 13 June 2018, revised drawing 41040-015B has been submitted which seeks to address the issues previously raised.

Whilst a couple of more visitor car spaces were sought in relation to each of the parking areas related to plots 1-6 and plots 39-44, one additional space has been provided at each.

Plot 52 now has one car space in front of the dwelling and a remote visitor/2nd space which is unlikely to be used.

*In view of the above, there remains therefore a risk of on-street parking occurring.* 

Notwithstanding the above, it is considered that the application could be approved subject to the following conditions:

No dwelling forming part of the development hereby permitted shall be occupied until its associated access/driveway/parking area is surfaced in a hard bound material (not loose gravel) for a minimum of 5 metres behind the Highway boundary. The surfaced drive/parking area shall then be maintained in such hard bound material for the life of the development.

*Reason: To reduce the possibility of deleterious material being deposited on the public highway (loose stones etc.).* 

No part of the development hereby permitted shall be occupied until the existing site access that has been made redundant as a consequence of this consent is permanently closed and the access crossing reinstated as footway in accordance with Highway Authority standards.

Reason: In the interests of highway safety.

No dwelling forming part of the development hereby permitted shall be occupied until its associated access/driveway/parking area is constructed with provision to prevent the unregulated discharge of surface water from the access/driveway/parking area to the public highway. The provision to prevent the unregulated discharge of surface water to the public highway shall then be retained for the life of the development.

Reason: To ensure surface water from the site is not deposited on the public highway causing dangers to road users.

No development shall commence until the off-site traffic management works comprising of waiting restrictions on the west side of Bowbridge Road are approved by the Highway Authority in

accordance with details to be first submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Thereafter, such restrictions are to be implemented prior to occupation of the first dwelling.

Reason: To protect adequate visibility at the access to cater for the expected volume of traffic joining the existing highway network; in the interests of highway safety.

Notes to Applicant:

The applicant should note that notwithstanding any planning permission that if any highway forming part of the development is to be adopted by the Highways Authority, the new roads and any highway drainage will be required to comply with the Nottinghamshire County Council's current highway design guidance and specification for roadworks.

The minor access reinstatement works referred to in the conditions involve work in the public highway and as such require the consent the consent of the County Council as highway Authority. The traffic management works referred to in the conditions require a Traffic Regulation Order before the development commences to provide safe access.

The developer should note that the Order can be made on behalf of the developer by Nottinghamshire County Council at the expense of the developer. This is a separate legal process and the Applicant should contact mike.barnett@viaem.co.uk. Please note this process can take 9-12 months.

**NSDC Strategic Housing** - The Council's Strategic Housing Business Unit has worked with Nottingham Community Housing Association and Westleigh Developments to secure a scheme that delivers 100% affordable housing in one the district's areas with the highest demand. The proposed scheme will provide 62 new homes offering nearly 50% for affordable rent (rents to be set in line with the area's local housing allowance) and slightly above 50% for intermediate housing (shared ownership and rent to buy). The scheme delivers a range of types and tenures and I am pleased to see the inclusion of 5 bungalows for affordable rent to meet the needs of older people and smaller dwellings (1 and 2 beds) to contribute towards accommodating the needs of single people, couples and small families. The need for this range of type and tenures has been identified in the DCA Housing Needs Study.

**NSDC Community, Sports and Arts Development (received 12.07.18)** – I have no objection to the proposed development subject to a community facilities contribution in accordance with the current Supplementary Planning Document - Develop Contributions. Such contribution would be used to improve community facilities in the locality.

**NSDC Parks and Amenities (received 31.07.18)** - As a site with 62 dwellings this development needs to provide 1,116m2 of children's playing space and 893m2 of amenity open space. The open space layout plan suggests they are providing 2,442m2 which is more than is required. However the open spaces are scattered around the development and I don't think any of them are large enough to take a LEAP – which we would normally require on a development of this size. So I think there are 2 options:

- 1. We could ask them to provide 2 or 3 LAPs on the larger open spaces
- 2. We can seek an off-site commuted sum in lieu of on-site provision

I think if the LAPs are well designed they can provide a reasonable amount of play value for the development.

The developers should also be asked to look at providing some more natural areas to encourage wildlife and biodiversity.

**Latest Comments received 28.12.18** – Following correspondence received from the applicant that a LAP is not feasible given the proximity of open spaces to houses and/or trees the Parks and Amenities officer has advised that the developer should be able to include some provision but if they don't want to include on-site provision then an off-site contribution would be sought.

**Nottinghamshire County Council Policy received 11.07.18** - Thank you for your letter dated 31st May 2018 requesting strategic planning observations on the above planning application. I have consulted with my colleagues across relevant divisions of the County Council and have the following comments to make.

#### National Planning Context

In terms of the County Council's responsibilities the following elements of national planning policy and guidance are of particular relevance.

#### <u>Waste</u>

The National Planning Policy for Waste (NPPW) sets out the Government's ambition to work towards more sustainable and efficient resource management in line with the waste hierarchy. Positive planning is seen as key to delivering these waste ambitions through supporting sustainable development. This includes ensuring that waste management is considered alongside other spatial planning concerns and helping to secure the re-use and recovery of waste wherever possible.

Paragraph 8 of the NPPW states that:

'When determining planning applications, all planning authorities should ensure that:

the likely impact of proposed non-waste related development on existing waste management facilities, and on sites and areas allocated for waste management, is acceptable and does not prejudice the implementation of the waste hierarchy and/or the efficient operation of such facilities;

new, non-waste development makes sufficient provision for waste management and promotes good design to secure the integration of waste management facilities with the rest of the development, and, in less developed areas, with the local landscape. This includes providing adequate waste storage facilities at residential premises, for example by ensuring that there is sufficient and discrete provision for bins, to facilitate a high quality, comprehensive and frequent household collection service;

the handling of waste arising from the construction and operation of development maximises reuse/recovery opportunities and minimises off-site disposal.'

In Nottinghamshire, relevant policies are set out in the Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Replacement Waste Local Plan: Part 1 – Waste Core Strategy (December 2013). Minerals

Section 13 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) covers the sustainable use of minerals. Paragraph 142 points out that mineral are 'essential to support sustainable economic growth and our quality of life.'

Paragraph 143 requires that, in preparing Local Plans, local planning authorities should:

'define Mineral Safeguarding Areas and adopt appropriate policies in order that known locations of specific minerals resources of local and national importance are not needlessly sterilised by non-minerals development, whilst not creating a presumption that resources defined will be worked; and define Mineral Consultations Areas based on these Minerals Safeguarding Areas;

set out policies to encourage the prior extraction of minerals, where practicable and environmentally feasible, if it is necessary for non-mineral development to take place'.

In Nottinghamshire, these areas are defined in the emerging Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan and supported by Policy DM13, which also covers prior extraction.

In terms of the role of local planning authorities in planning for minerals, paragraph 144 of the NPPF states that:

'When determining planning applications, local planning authorities should:

not normally permit other development proposals in mineral safeguarding areas where they might constrain potential future use for these purposes'.

The national Planning Practice Guidance provides further information on the role of district councils in this regard, stating that 'they have an important role in safeguarding minerals in 3 ways:

having regard to the local minerals plan when identifying suitable areas for non-mineral development in their local plans. District Councils should show Mineral Safeguarding Areas on their policy maps;

in those areas where a mineral planning authority has defined a Minerals Consultation Area, consulting the mineral planning authority and taking account of the local minerals plan before determining a planning application on any proposal for non-minerals development within it; and

when determining planning applications, doing so in accordance with development policy on minerals safeguarding, and taking account of the views of the mineral planning authority on the risk of preventing minerals extraction.'

#### <u>Transport</u>

Paragraphs 29-41 of the NPPF address the issue of sustainable transport. The NPPF requires all developments which generate significant amounts of movement to be supported by an appropriate Transport Assessment and a Travel Plan. It also states that it should be ensured that such developments are 'located where the need to travel will be minimised and the use of sustainable transport modes can be maximised'.

#### Education provision

#### Paragraph 72 states that:

The Government attaches great importance to ensuring that a sufficient choice of school places is available to meet the needs of existing and new communities. Local planning authorities should take a proactive, positive and collaborative approach to meeting this requirement, and to development that will widen choice in education. They should:

#### give great weight to the need to create, expand or alter schools; and

work with schools promoters to identify and resolve key planning issues before applications are submitted.'

#### **County Planning Context**

#### Transport and Flood Risk Management

The County Council as Highway Authority and Local Lead Flood Authority is a statutory consultee to Local Planning Authorities and therefore makes separate responses on the relevant highway and flood risk technical aspects for planning applications. In dealing with planning applications the Highway Authority and Local Lead Flood Authority will evaluate the applicants proposals specifically related to highway and flood risk matters only. As a consequence developers may in cases where their initial proposal raise concern or are unacceptable amend their initial plans to incorporate revisions to the highway and flood risk measures that they propose. The process behind this can be lengthy and therefore any initial comments on these matters may eventually be different to those finally made to the Local Planning Authority. In view of this and to avoid misleading information comments on planning applications made by the Highway Authority and Local Lead Flood Authority will not be incorporated into this letter. However should further information on the highway and flood risk elements be required contact should be made directly with the Highway Development Control Team and the Flood Risk Management Team to discuss this matter further with the relevant officers dealing with the application.

#### Minerals and Waste

# **Minerals**

In relation to the Minerals Local Plan, there are no Minerals Safeguarding and Consultation Areas covering or in close proximity to the site. There are no current or permitted minerals sites close to the application site. Therefore, the County Council does not wish to raise any objections to the proposal from a minerals perspective.

#### <u>Waste</u>

In terms of the Waste Core Strategy, there are no existing waste sites within the vicinity of the site whereby the proposed development could cause an issue in terms of safeguarding existing waste management facilities (as per Policy WCS10). As set out in Policy WCS2 'Waste awareness, prevention and re-use' of the Waste Core Strategy, the development should be 'designed, constructed and implemented to minimise the creation of waste, maximise the use of recycled materials and assist the collection, separation, sorting, recycling and recovery of waste arising

from the development.' In accordance with this, as the proposal is likely to generate significant volumes of waste through the development or operational phases, it would be useful for the application to be supported by a waste audit. Specific guidance on what should be covered within a waste audit is provided within paragraph 049 of the Planning Practice Guidance.

#### <u>Ecology</u>

NCC do not expect the site to have significant ecological interest, given its location and previous use; aerial photos indicate that the site is dominated by hardstanding. However, a number of trees are to be removed, which have not been assessed with regards to their potential to support roosting bats.

Notwithstanding this, NCC would request conditions covering the following:

The control of vegetation clearance during the bird nesting season (which runs from March to August inclusive)

 $\cdot$  The submission of a detailed landscaping scheme, to include the use of native species of tree and shrub and wildflower/flowering lawn seeding in POS areas

 $\cdot$  The inclusion of integrated bat and bird boxes (the latter targeting swift in particular, but also house sparrow and starling) incorporated into the fabric of a proportion of the dwellings (c.20%).

#### Travel and Transport

#### Bus Service Support

The Council has conducted an initial assessment of this site in the context of the local public transport network.

This area lies within 400 metres of London Road which enjoys a frequent service into Newark. A similar distance in the opposite direction leads to Boundary Road where again there are frequent services into the town with the nearest served stops approximately 600 metres from the site. As these services are all commercially operated by Stagecoach they would need to be included in any discussions. It is possible although unlikely, that they would divert one of their existing routes so as to serve Bowbridge Road. Another matter for consideration is that any new service is likely to abstract passengers from the existing network unless it was introduced to serve only Bowbridge Road.

At this time it is not envisaged that contributions towards local bus service provision will be sought. However the travel demands arising from this site should be included as part of discussions as part of a broader plan for bus provision, in light of the substantial development plans in the Newark area.

#### Current Infrastructure

The current infrastructure observations from Transport & Travel Services photographic records are as follows:

NSO384 Hospital – Bus Stop Pole, Polycarbonate Bus Shelter, Raised Boarding Kerbs and Enforceable Bus Stop Clearway.

NS0385 Hospital – Bus Stop Pole, Polycarbonate Bus Shelter, Raised Boarding Kerbs and Enforceable Bus Stop Clearway. NS0030 Earp Avenue – Bus Stop Pole. NS0702 Earp Avenue – No Infrastructure.

#### Possible Infrastructure Improvements

Transport & Travel Services would request a contribution via a Section 106 agreement for Bus Stop Improvements in the vicinity of the site to the value of £20,000. Improvements may include (but are not limited to) Real Time Bus Stop Poles & Displays including Associated Electrical Connections, New or Refurbished Bus Shelters, Solar Lighting, Raised Boarding Kerbs and Enforceable Bus Stop Clearways.

#### Justification (S106)

The current level of facilities at development site is not at the standard set out in the Council's Transport Statement for Funding. The nearest bus stops are approximately 275 metres from the centre of the site on Bowbridge Road, however the closest currently serviced bus stops are approximately 600 metres away from the centre of the site on Boundary Road. Improvements are necessary to achieve an acceptable standard to promote sustainable travel, and make the development acceptable in planning terms. The improvements would be at the closest serviced bus stops to the site, so are directly related to the development, and are fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development (62 dwellings).

#### <u>Heritage</u>

This site does not appear to contain any buildings of heritage interest. It is close to the site of a 'non- designated heritage asset' identified on the Notts Historic Environment Record to the south. This NDHA is the Newark Union Workhouse buildings, which are now part of the hospital, NCC do not think the proposals will impact on the setting or significance of this heritage asset.

#### Developer contributions

Should the application proceed, the County Council will seek developer contributions in relation to its responsibilities in line with the Council's adopted Planning Obligations Strategy and the Developer Contributions Team will work with the applicant and the Local Planning Authority to ensure all requirements are met. Please contact Andrew Norton, Developer Contributions Practitioner in the first instance (andrew.norton@nottscc.gov.uk or 0115 9939309) with any queries regarding developer contributions.

#### **Education**

Nottinghamshire County Council would request primary education contributions from any proposed housing development on land at The Bearings, Bowbridge Lane, Newark.

A proposed development of 62 dwellings would yield an additional 13 primary places. NCC would therefore wish to seek an education contribution of £148,915 (13 x £11,455) to provide primary provision to accommodate the additional pupils projected to arise from the proposed development. The information above is given on the understanding that it is based on the best information available to Nottinghamshire County Council at the time. District Council colleagues are advised to contact the County Council again in the future if they require a 'project' to be named. None of the information above should be used to denote a project.

Appendix 1 sets out the detailed Education Statement for the site.

As these developer contributions are sought in relation to the County Council's responsibilities it is considered essential that the County Council is a signatory to any legal agreement arising as a result of the determination of this application.

#### **Conclusion**

It should be noted that all comments contained above could be subject to change, as a result of ongoing negotiations between the County Council, the Local Planning Authority and the applicants. These comments are based on the information supplied and are without prejudice to any comments the County Council may make on any future planning applications submitted for this site.

The developer contributions detailed above are necessary in order for the proposed development to be considered acceptable and as such the County Council would wish to raise objections to this application unless these contributions are secured.

No further comments received.

# Nottinghamshire County Council Education (received 11.07.18)

Outlines the context for meeting the need for the increasing demand for school places, the methodology for forecasting demand and meeting demand from proposed housing developments.

Concludes that Nottinghamshire County Council therefore have no alternative but to request primary education contributions from any proposed housing development on land at The Bearings, Bowbridge Lane, Newark.

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No further comments received.

#### Independent Viability Consultant – latest comments received 29.12.18

GENERAL		
Net Developable Site Area		1.6H
Development Scenario		Brownfiel
Total Unit Numbers		6.
AREAS		
AREAS Net Residential Sales Area	Houses	3612qn
	Apartments	624qn
AFFORDABLE HOUSING		1009
Affordable Housing Delivery Test Parameters		
Affordable Housing Tenure Mix		48% Affordable Ren 52% Intermediat
		52%Intermediate
SALES VALUES		
Market Value Equivalent (Discounts applied)	Apartments & Houses	£3200qr
	Intermediate 70% OMV	(2240
		£2240sqr
CONSTRUCTION COSTS	Affordable Rent 50% OMV	£1600sqr
construction costs	Apartments	£1394sqr
	Houses	£1139sqr
ABNORMAL DEVELOPMENT COSTS		
Abnormal Construction Cost Allowance		£47165
LAND VALUE ALLOWANCE		
Residual Land Value with Planning Permission		£1,289,15
Existing Land Use Value		£592,00
Share of Uplift in Land Value to Landowner		50
Land Value Allowance in Viability Appraisal		£940,57
OTHER FEES & COSTS		
Professional Fees		8.0
Legal Fees		0.5
Statutory Fees (Planning, Build Regs, Warranties)		1.1
Sales/Marketing Costs		2.0
Contingencies		5.0
FIXED DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS		
CIL	Affordable Housing Exempt	f
Planning Obligations	Education	£148,91
	Community Facilities	£85,81
	Libraries	£17,63
	Bus Stop Improvements	£20,00
FINANCE COSTS		
Interest		0
Arrangement Fee		1
DEVELOPMENT PROFIT		

The standard fee and cost assumptions adopted by NSDC have been used in the appraisal.

The applicant has submitted its own projected sale values at an equivalent market rate of £3200sqm (to which discounts are applied relevant to the Affordable Housing Types proposed).

This compares favourably to the rates adopted by NSDC in recent assessments in Newark and has been accepted.

The applicants construction cost rates of £1194sqm for houses and £1394sqm for apartments compares favourably to BCIS data and have been accepted. The applicant's abnormal costs figure of £471,656 has been accepted but may require further investigation in the event of dispute.

The principal difference between the applicant and the Council is on land value. The applicant proposes a land value of £1.67 Million. based on Sales Values. The Council's adopted benchmarking methodology has been adopted which indicates a land value allowance of £940,576.

The applicant advises that no interest costs need to be considered due to the disposal route to the end user. The applicants finance cost equivalent to a 1% arrangement fee has been accepted.

The full required S106 Infrastructure Contribution allowance (as set out in the table above) of £272,360 has been allowed in the appraisal

Viability Results & Conclusions

The appraisal indicates a positive viability margin of £28,810 and so it is considered that based on the applicants' proposed sale values and construction costs the development is capable of making a full S106 Contribution of £272,360.

The applicant considers that the delivery of 100% Affordable Housing on the site justifies the removal of requirements for full S106 infrastructure contributions on viability grounds. Under normal circumstances where discounts of between 20-50% of open market value are placed on the affordable housing units, this would almost certainly be the case but the sale values attributed to the affordable housing units after discounts are applied of between £1600-£2240 sqm are closer to open market values in Newark. After discussions with the applicant it is understood that these are the broadly agreed sales prices with the proposed RSL operator and as such it is considered that the proposed S106 contributions are economically viable.

**NSDC Access (received 05.06.18)** - As part of the considerations of inclusive access and facilities for all, with particular reference to disabled people, it is recommended that the developer's attention be drawn to Approved Document M of the Building Regulations, which contain useful standards in respect of visitable, accessible and adaptable, and wheelchair user dwellings, and that consideration be given to incorporating 'accessible and adaptable dwellings' within the development. The requirements of a dwelling's occupants can change as a result of illness, accident such as sports injury for example, disability or ageing giving rise to reduced mobility or increasing sensory loss. In order to meet these changing requirements, homes need to be accessible to residents and visitors' alike as well as meeting residents' changing needs, both temporary and longer term. Similarly, inclusive access improves general manoeuvrability for all including access for those with push chairs and baby buggies as well as disabled people etc.

It is recommended that disabled persons and wheelchair users' access to, into and around dwellings be carefully examined together with reference to the topography of the site with accessible facilities and features. External pathways to and around the site should be carefully considered and designed to accepted standards to ensure that they provide suitable access around the development. Any danger to pedestrians, particularly children, elderly or visual

impaired people, being required to walk along vehicular access routes should be avoided by providing a traffic free network of separated pavements and footpaths throughout together with tactile warnings and dropped kerbs at road crossing points as appropriate. It is recommended that inclusive access be considered to any open spaces and external features.

It is recommended that the developer make separate enquiry regarding Building Regulations approval requirements.

#### **Comment received 12.07.18** – *no further observations beyond those previously advised.*

**NSDC Strategic Housing (received 30.07.18)** - The Council's Strategic Housing Business Unit has worked with Nottingham Community Housing Association and Westleigh Developments to secure a scheme that delivers 100% affordable housing in one the district's areas with the highest demand. The proposed scheme will provide 62 new homes offering nearly 50% for affordable rent (rents to be set in line with the area's local housing allowance) and slightly above 50% for intermediate housing (shared ownership and rent to buy). The scheme delivers a range of types and tenures and I am pleased to see the inclusion of 5 bungalows for affordable rent to meet the needs of older people and smaller dwellings (1 and 2 beds) to contribute towards accommodating the needs of single people, couples and small families. The need for this range of type and tenures has been identified in the DCA Housing Needs Study.

#### No further comments received.

**NSDC Emergency Planner (received 08.08.18)** - I have no comments to add concerning this application.

#### *No further comments received*

# 11 representations have been received from local residents/interested parties. The representations can be summarised as follows:-

Some support for the construction of houses but with some concerns outlined below

Loss of protected trees

Overlooking and loss of privacy

Ecological and Environmental Impact

The position of the road in relation to neighbouring properties

Lack of off street parking and impact on highway which would exacerbate existing congestion issues and impact on emergency vehicles

Impact of access drives and road on highway and pedestrian safety

Increased traffic

Proximity of proposed dwellings to neighbouring properties

Overshadowing and loss of light

Potential contamination

#### **Comments of Business Manager, Growth and Regeneration**

#### Principle of Development

The principle of residential development on the site has previously been established through the grant of planning permission for 89 dwellings in 2007 and 2010 (albeit the 2010 permission was never implemented and consequently expired). That's said, there is a new Development Plan and National Planning Policy Guidance now in place which request a fresh consideration of the proposals.

The National Planning Policy Framework 2018 (NPPF) promotes the principle of a presumption in favour of sustainable development and recognises that it is the duty under the Planning Acts for planning applications to be determined in accordance with the development plan. Where proposals accord with the development plan they will be approved without delay unless material considerations indicate otherwise. One of the core principles of the NPPF is to support and deliver economic growth to ensure that the housing, business and other development needs of an area are met. The NPPF looks to boost significantly the supply of housing. The principles and policies contained in the NPPF also recognise the value of encouraging the effective re-use of previously developed land (provided it is not of high environmental value).

The NPPF also refers to the presumption in favour of sustainable development being at the heart of the NPPF and sees sustainable development as a golden thread running through both plan making and decision taking. This is confirmed within the Development Plan by Policy DM12 of the Allocations and Development Management DPD which sets out a positive approach to considering development proposals. Where appropriate this will involve the District Council working alongside applicants to seek solutions which mean that proposals can be approved where possible and to secure development which improves economic, social and environmental conditions. The policy further details that applications which accord with the District's Development Plan will be approved without delay, unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

The application site is within a sustainable location within Newark Urban Area, as defined under Spatial Policy 1 of the Core Strategy as the Sub Regional Centre. Policy DM1 of the Allocations and Development Management DPD refers to proposals being supported for housing within the Sub Regional Centre provided it is appropriate to the size and location of the settlement hierarchy and in accordance with the Core Strategy and other relevant Development Plan Documents. The site is cleared, has a history of residential permissions (which themselves assessed and accepted the residential as opposed to employment re-use), and is a significant vacant brownfield site that and makes no positive contribution to the amenity of the area. On this basis the principle of the residential redevelopment of the site is acceptable.

#### Current 5 Year Land Supply

The Council is of the view that it has and can robustly demonstrate a 5 year housing land supply which has been confirmed by a number of recent appeal decisions including the dismissal of the Farnsfield appeal (at Public Inquiry) by the Secretary of State in April 2018. I do not intend to rehearse this in full other than to say that the policies of the Development Plan are considered up

to date for the purposes of decision making and thus carry significant weight in an overall planning balance. This scheme will contribute to the Council's supply, representing a winfall site.

## Housing Affordability, Mix, Type and Density

Core Policy 1 of the Core Strategy (which has been amended to reflect recent changes from Central Government which have set new thresholds) states that for all housing proposals of 11 or more dwellings and which have a combined gross floorspace of more than 1000 sq metres, a level of 30% affordable housing will be sought. The tenure mix of the affordable housing provision should reflect a 60% social rented and 40% intermediate mix.

Core Policy 3 goes on to state that housing densities should normally be no lower than an average of 30 dwellings per hectare net and should seek to address the housing need of the District, namely:

- family housing of 3 bedrooms or more;
- smaller houses of 2 bedrooms or less;
- housing for elderly and disabled population.

The mix will be dependent on the local circumstances of the site, the viability of the development and any localised housing need information.

Section 11 of the NPPF is entitled "Making effective use of land" (para 117) states that planning policies and decision should promote an effective use of land in meeting the need for homes and other uses, while safeguarding and improving the environment and ensuring safe and healthy living conditions. Para 118 goes on to state that planning policies and decisions should, amongst other criteria, give substantial weight to the value of using suitable brownfield land within settlements for homes and other identified needs and support appropriate opportunities to remediate derelict land as well as promote and support the development of under-utilised land and buildings. Section 11 then goes on to refer to achieving appropriate densities and should support development that makes efficient use of land, taking into account a range of criteria including, the desirability of maintaining an area's prevailing character and setting, or of promoting regeneration and change and the importance of securing well designed, attractive and healthy places.

The NPPF states that to support the Government's objective of significantly boosting the supply of homes, it is important that a sufficient amount and variety of land can come forward where it is needed and that the need of groups with specific housing requirements are addressed.

Annex 2: Glossary of the NPPF defines affordable housing as being 'housing for sale or rent, for those whose needs are not met by the market (including housing that provides a subsidised route to home ownership and/or is for essential local workers); and which complies with one or more of the following..'. This includes affordable housing for rent, starter homes, discounted market sales housing or other affordable routes to home ownership including shared ownership.

The scheme represents 100% affordable housing provision which exceeds the 30% policy requirement by 43 dwellings.

The revised tenure split proposed for the development is 32 intermediate houses and 30 affordable rent.

Evidence from the 2014 Housing Market and Needs Assessment identifies the affordable housing need for Newark as follows:

Property size	Affordable Need (in Nos)	Proposed by this application
1 bed	234 (27%)	12 (19%)
2 bed	458 (55%)	33 (53%)
3 bed	150 (18%)	13 (20%)
4 bed	0	4 (8%)
TOTAL	842	62

It is shown in the table above that the type of housing provided by this scheme does mirror local need. This is reflected in the comments made by the Council's Strategic Housing Officer.

The density across the site is 38 dwellings per hectare. Core Policy 3 provides that densities are no lower than 30 dwellings per hectare. The proposal therefore complies with this policy. The site is within an urban setting and close to the town centre where such a density of development would not be out of context.

Given the very high levels of affordable housing need in Newark, it is considered that the provision of 100% affordable housing would be of considerable benefit in meeting this need, a benefit to be weighed significantly in an overall planning balance. It is also acknowledged that the policy requirement of 30% affordable provision on market housing sites across the District in the last 5 years or so has not been achieved (often on viability grounds) via individual planning applications.

It is acknowledged, however, that a 100% affordable development could be seen as an undesirable, over-concentration, resulting in an exclusive, homogenous tenure community, rather than a more appropriate mix of market and affordable units. However, in the overall balance, it is considered that the provision of the much needed affordable housing weighs heavily in favour of the development in this case and is in line with Core Policies 1 and 3, the Housing Needs Survey and the NPPF. This is especially the case within the Newark Urban Area, which has a many and varied tenure type and mix.

# Impact On Character of the Area

The NPPF states that good design is a key aspect of sustainable development and new development should be visually attractive as a result of good architecture and appropriate landscaping. Core Policy 9 requires new development proposals to demonstrate a high standard of sustainable design that both protects and enhances the natural environment. Policy DM5 requires the local distinctiveness of the District's landscape and character of built form to be reflected in the scale, form, mass, layout, design, materials and detailing of proposals for new development.

The surrounding area to the north east and west is predominantly high density 2 storey terraced properties. It is considered that the proposed development would sit well within this context in terms of appearance, scale and layout. It is acknowledged that there are a small number of single storey dwellings proposed within the site. However this is not considered to be fatal to the application given their location and relationship to adjoining properties.

The amount of hard surfacing within the site to accommodate the access road, private drives and off street parking spaces particularly to the front of the proposed dwellings is a design necessity to address. A revised site layout plan has been deposited which does show landscaping along the central access road and around the parking areas which does help soften the impact and which can be secured by condition to ensure that proposed planting is sufficiently robust and well established to ensure that the development does not have such a car dominated frontage to be completely dominated by hard surfacing.

Overall, and subject to conditions relating to materials, boundary treatments and landscaping details, it is considered that the scheme makes an acceptable contribution to the area, according with the aims of the NPPF, Core Policy 9 and Policy DM5 of the Allocations and Development Management DPD.

#### Impact on Trees and Ecology

Policy DM5 of the DPD requires that natural features such as trees and hedges should be protected and enhanced, reflecting Core Policy 12 of the Core Strategy.

The application has been accompanied by an Arborecultural Impact Assessment. It is acknowledged that the proposed development would result in the loss of trees some of which are protected by a TPO (N313) mainly to its south western corner along the boundary with properties on Lime Grove and 2 no. groups of lleyalndi trees within the site towards the norther boundary. Six of these trees are proposed to be removed as they are unsuitable for retention in the interests of good arboricultural management given that they are in poor health and condition. Nine trees are proposed to be removed to facilitate the development. These trees have been inspected and are classed within the Arborecultural Assessment as being as category C and predominantly in poor condition.

Turning to the comments of the tree consultant it is accepted that plots 1-4 would directly face tree T1 to the front of the site. However works are pruning are proposed to this tree as part of this application which would improve the amenity of the occupiers of these flats.

With regards to Plots 48, 49, and 51 I consider that likely impacts on amenity would not in themselves be so significant as to justify refusal on these grounds. Any future applications to carry out works to trees on the site would need to be assessed on their own merits. Moreover, in this case all plots will be taken on by a registered provider who will be aware of the situation and ongoing management requirements for occupiers and the site itself, with a single umbrella management vehicle in place in relation to future maintenance works.

With regards to the areas of hardstanding which fall within tree protection routes I note the comments of the tree consultant with regards to the proposed no dig option. A condition is recommended with respect to protection during construction of retained trees.

It is considered that on balance the proposal would accord with Core Policy 12 of the Core Strategy and Policy DM5 of the DPD.

#### Impact on Residential Amenity

The NPPF seeks to secure high quality design and a good standard of amenity for all existing and future occupants of land and buildings. Policy DM5 of the DPD states that development proposals

should ensure no unacceptable reduction in amenity including overbearing impacts and loss of privacy upon neighbouring development.

The site is immediately adjoined by residential properties to the north and west.

The comments received with regards to impact on the amenity of the occupiers of neighbouring dwellings are acknowledged. The separation distances between proposed and existing dwellings meet best practice separation distances.

In terms of relationships between the proposed and existing dwellings along the western boundary of the site, there is a separation of circa 15m between the rear elevations of the two storey dwellings to the west on Lime Grove (Nos 45-51) which have rear windows facing the blank gable of the proposed two storey flats in the southwestern corner of the site (plots 41-42) This would in officer opinion be an acceptable relationship with no windows to the side gable of the flats and thus no overlooking of these existing properties and that this would not create undue overbearing or overshadowing impact to justify refusal on these grounds. There would be first floor windows to front and rear elevation of these plots which may have glimpses into garden areas but these would be from an acute angle and this is not such an unusual situation in an urban area.

There is circa. 17m separation between the gable of the semi-detached 2 storey properties at plots 43 and 44 of the proposed development and the windows to the rear elevations of numbers 59 and 61 Lime Grove. A first floor bathroom window is proposed to the side gable of the new dwellings which would face these existing dwellings. However a condition requiring obscure glazing would safeguard the occupiers of the existing dwellings from any undue overlooking.

There is between c20m separation between plots 45, 46, and 48 of the proposed development and the windows to the rear elevations of nos 63-77 Lime Grove directly to the west. There is 18m separation between plot 47 and no. 71 Lime Grove; however this plot is single storey. It is considered that these separation distances are acceptable.

Bearing this in mind it is considered these plots would not result in undue overlooking, overbearing or overshadowing impact.

In terms of relationships with properties to the north on Jubilee Street these are sited at least 54 m from the boundary with the application site and as such the development would not unduly impact upon the amenity of the occupiers of these properties.

Given the garden depths of circa 10m serving plots 57-59 it is considered that occupiers of the adjoining property 80 Bowbridge Road together with properties to the north on Jubilee Street would continue to enjoy reasonable amounts of day light and sunlight with limited overshadowing of their rear garden.

It is noted that there is circa 17m between the side gable of plot 60 and the side boundary of the adjoining property to the north at no. 80 Bowbridge Road. This existing dwelling has first floor windows to its side elevation overlooking the site and a single storey side extension with windows facing a small courtyard adjoining the application site. I am mindful that there are mature trees to the south eastern corner of the site which partially obscure these windows. Furthermore the first floor window to the side gable of plot 60 would serve a bathroom and obscure glazing to this window could be secured by condition.

Turing to the development itself I am satisfied that the relationships between the proposed dwellings are acceptable and that they would be served by private amenity areas proportionate to their size.

Having carefully assessed the scheme I am satisfied that the proposal would have no unacceptable impacts upon the amenity of future occupiers of the proposed dwelling or dwellings adjacent to the application site in accordance with the Policy DM5 of the Allocations and Development Management DPD.

#### **Highway Matters**

The NPPF requires all major planning applications to be supported by an appropriate Transport Assessment (TA) and concludes that new development proposals should only be refused on transport grounds where the residual cumulative impacts would be severe. Spatial Policy 7 of the Core Strategy seeks to ensure that vehicular traffic generated does not create parking or traffic problems. Policy DM5 of the DPD requires the provision of safe access to new development and appropriate parking provision.

The comments received with regards to highway safety and parking issues are acknowledged.

A Transport Statement has been submitted with the application. The Highway Authority originally sought amendments to the scheme in relation to the location of parking spaces, width of private drives and the introduction of waiting restrictions to protect the visibility splay.

A revised layout has subsequently been deposited. The Highway Authority has not raised any significant objection to the revised scheme but it is noted that they still consider that there may be a risk of on street parking resulting from the location of the parking space for plot 52 and a visitor parking space. They have however suggested conditions as noted in the consultation section of this report should Members be minded to grant permission which are considered to be reasonable. However, the risk of on street parking is not considered to be so significant in this particular instance given that it relates to the location of one space to serve a dwelling and one visitor spot to justify refusal on these grounds, particularly as the Highway Authority have recommended conditions.

I note the comments and request received from Nottinghamshire County Council with regards to developer contributions for possible infrastructure improvements in the form of bus stop improvements. However, as discussed within the Viability of Development and Developer Contributions that applicant has put forward a viability argument that the development could not viably deliver such contributions.

It is therefore considered that the proposed development would not result in any significant parking issues or lead to a significant impact on highway safety subject to the approval of details reserved by condition in accordance with the requirements of Spatial Policy 7 and DM5 of the DOD.

#### Impact on Ecology

Core Policy 12 of the Core Strategy seeks to secure development that maximises the opportunities to conserve, enhance and restore biodiversity. Policy DM5 of the DPD states that natural features of importance within or adjacent to development sites should, wherever possible, be protected and enhanced.

The submitted Preliminary Ecological Appraisal has identified the potential for impacts on possible reptiles, birds and bats.

The Survey makes the following conclusions and recommendations:-

The habitat on site has limited biological interest and poor species diversity;

Given the distance from nearest strategic sites (Devon Park Pasture and Farndon Ponds LNR) between 970m and 2.8km it is considered that the proposal would be unlikely to have any direct impacts.;

With regard to bats, there is one tree (proposed to be felled) which has low potential to support roosting bats – soft fell method should be used.

The existing substation on site has low potential to support roosting bats bit no potential for hibernating bats. Any works should therefore be undertaken during winter hibernating months;

Trees and shrubs have low potential to provide foraging for bats; there are some low quality foraging and commuting resources and no further surveys are required.

Any lighting to be provided on site should be bat friendly.

With regards to birds, the scattered trees and shrubs on site provide suitable nesting habitats, although it is unsuitable to support schedule 1 species such as birds. Any works to trees and shrubs should therefore be undertaken outside of bird nesting season.

Although no badgers were found some part so the site does have the potential. There should be a pre commencement check of the site and precautions such as mammal ladders, capping off pips at the end of the day, covering of open holes, safe storage of harmful substances and avoidance of night work are recommended.

The survey also recommends that post development the site should make provisions for invertebrates through the incorporation of suggested plant materials.

I am of the opinion that the above recommendations and enhancements can reasonably be secured through condition to safeguard the ecological interest within the site.

Nottinghamshire County Council Ecology have commented that the site is not considered to have significant ecological interest, given its location and previous use and also recommend conditions in relation to vegetation clearance, appropriate landscaping and the incorporation of bat and bird boxes within the development which are considered to be reasonable should Members be minded to grant permission.

I am therefore of the opinion that it has been demonstrated that the proposed development would not adversely impact on the potential habitat of a protected species, in accordance with the guidance within Core Policy 12 and Policy DM5 of the DPD.

#### Drainage/Flooding

Core Policy 9 (Sustainable Design) provides that development should 'through its design, proactively manage surface water, where feasible, the use of Sustainable Drainage Systems.' CP10

seeks to mitigate the impacts of climate change whilst Policy DM5 also seeks to ensure development is safe for the intended users without increasing flood risk elsewhere. This broadly reflects the advice in the NPPF.

The site lies in Flood Zone 1 which is at lowest risk of flooding. The application is accompanied by a flood risk assessment which concludes that the site is at low risk of fluvial flooding, overland flow, surface water run-off, ground water sources or the sewerage network.

The Environment Agency has advised that the Lead Local Flood Authority are consulted, The Lead Local Flood Authority have stated they do not wish to make comments given the sites low risk of flooding.

I am therefore satisfied that subject to a condition requiring the submission of precise details of foul and surface water drainage disposal the proposal would accord with Core Policy 9, Core Policy 10 and DM5 of the Development Plan.CP10 and DM5 of the Development Plan.

#### Other Matters

Given the site's historic use, the Council's Environmental Health Service has, following the submission of a Phase 2 Site appraisal, recommended a revised land contamination condition so that any contamination that may be found on the site is dealt with appropriately and that the land can be made safe for its new residential occupiers.

#### Viability of Development and Developer Contributions

Spatial Policy 6 'Infrastructure for Growth' and Policy DM3 'Developer Contributions and Planning Obligations' set out the approach for delivering the infrastructure necessary to support growth.

Paragraph 57 of the NPPF (2018) which explains that: 'Where up-to-date policies have set out the contributions expected from development, planning applications that comply with them should be assumed to be viable. It is up to the applicant to demonstrate whether particular circumstances justify the need for a viability assessment at the application stage. The weight to be given to a viability assessment is a matter for the decision maker, having regard to all the circumstances in the case, including whether the plan and the viability evidence underpinning it is up to date, and any change in site circumstances since the plan was brought into force. All viability assessments, including any undertaken at the plan-making stage, should reflect the recommended approach in national planning guidance, including standardised inputs, and should be made publicly available.'

In line with the requirements of the Viability Guidance Note (Ref ID 10-007-20180724) of the NPPG and paragraph 57 of the revised NPPF the weight to be given to a viability assessment is a matter for the decision maker.

The applicant has sought to challenge the level of developer contributions by way of Infrastructure provision on the basis that the level of contributions proposed would render the development economically unviable.

An independent viability assessment has been commissioned to determine whether the policy based contributions are viable and, if not, the level of contributions that can be delivered whilst maintaining economic viability.

The Developer Contributions and Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document provides additional detail on the Council's policy for securing planning obligations from new developments and how this operates alongside the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). The SPD is a useful starting point for the applicant in setting out the approach to resolving negotiable

elements not dealt with by the CIL and of the site specific impacts to make a future development proposal acceptable in planning terms.

Contribution	Expectation	Based on 62 dwellings
Affordable Housing	30% on site for 10 houses or more usually with a tenure split of 60% social rent/40% shared ownership as per CP1.	19 affordable dwellings
Community Facilities	£1,384.07 per dwelling (figure includes indexation as at 2016) likely to be spent on Sports Hub further along Bowbridge Road	£85,812.34
Education	Triggered at 10 dwellings; this scheme would generate a projected need for 13 primary school places at £11,455 each	£148,915
Library	Provision triggered at 10 dwellings £236.86 (indexed at 2016) per dwelling	£14,685.32
Library	(Stock) Triggered at 10 dwellings £47.54 (indexed at 2016) per dwelling	£2,947.48
Amenity Open Space	Triggered at 30 dwellings, AOS of 14.4m <sup>2</sup> per dwelling would normally be expected on site. Where this is not possible (or only provided in part on site) a financial contribution for the shortfall would be expected based on £282.94 (indexed at 2016) per dwelling.	SUFFICIENT ON SITE PROVISION SUBJECT TO PARKS AND AMENITIES COMMENTS REGARDING THE PROVISION OF 2 OR 3 LAPS - THE AGENT HAS CONFIRMED THAT THE DE VELOPMENT IS UNABLE TO PROVIDE LAPS GIVEN PROXIMITY OF DWELLINSG AND TREES
Amenity Open Space (Maintenance	Triggered at 30 dwellings £282.79 (indexed at 2106) per dwelling	Management Plan to be secured by S106 as agreed with the applicant
Children's Play Space	Triggered at 10 dwellings, 18m <sup>2</sup> of CPS for dwellings with 2 or more bedrooms would be expected in site. Where this is provided off-site the contribution would £927.26 (indexed at 2016) per dwelling	SUFFICIENT ON SITE PROVISION SUBJECT TO PARKS AND AMENITIES COMMENTS REGARDING THE PROVISION OF 2 OR 3 LAPS – THE AGENT HAS CONFIRMED THAT THE DEVELOPMENT IS UNABLE TO PROVIDE LAPS GIVEN PROXIMITY OF DWELLINGS AND TREES

Bus Ste	(requested by NCC)	£ 20,000
Improvements		
TOTAL		£272,360.14
OVER PROVISION ( AFFORDABLES	30% = 19 DWELLINGS Over provision of 43 dwo	43 dwellings at £46k = £1,978,000

In this case, a scheme of 100% affordable housing provision will be exempt from paying CIL on the basis of the social housing exemption provisions. That's said; affordable housing schemes and families who occupy them still generate the need for education spaces in local schools and pressure on community and open space facilities in the area. There is often therefore a need for balance between over provision affordables (over provision for this scheme but not in terms of overall affordable needs for Newark) and lack of provision for some other contributions. The Council has applied such a balance in the past, notably at Sleaford Road whereby the provision of 100% affordable housing was consider most important against a shortfall of other contributions on viability grounds.

In this case there is an unusual situation. The scheme, in monetary terms, very significantly overprovides for affordable housing (to the tune of £1.9m, far outweighing the total S106 contribution level of £272,360.14). However, even with this the Council's viability consultant reports that the scheme can also afford all other developer contributions. Whilst the applicant strongly disagrees with this the Council must attached weight to its specialist and independent advice. That said, whilst a viability case does not exist in my view to not provide all contributions there is a careful benefits case to assess in coming to a final view on acceptability. The scheme will provide for all affordables and the full requirement of £148,915 towards education provision. In such circumstances I consider a case can and should be made for not refusing the scheme for the failure to provide other contributions.

#### **Conclusion and Planning Balance**

The site is located within Newark Urban Area and the principle of residential development on this site is considered to be acceptable. The delivery of 100% affordable housing in an area of high need is a significant material planning consideration as is the contribution this site would make towards the Council's five year housing supply. The development would provide for some developer contributions in the form of education and would also bring back into use significant previously developed land. The scheme does contain design compromises and a shortfall in full S106 contributions however it is considered that in overall terms the scheme is acceptable and should be approved.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That full planning permission is granted subject to:

- (a) the conditions set out below;
- (b) the signing and sealing of a S106 Planning Agreement to secure:
- i) 100% affordable housing provision;

#### ii) Contribution to Education of £148,915; and

# iii) Maintenance of the communal landscape areas in perpetuity by the Registered Provider.

## **Conditions**

01.

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

Reason: To comply with the requirements of Section 51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

02

No development above damp proof course shall take place until manufacturers details (and samples upon request) of the external facing materials (including colour/finish of the dwelling and garage hereby approved) have been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. Development shall thereafter be carried out in accordance with the approved details. Reason: In the interests of visual amenity.

03

No development shall be commenced until details of the existing ground levels and proposed finished floor levels have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: In the interests of amenity.

04

Prior to first occupation/use of the development hereby approved full details of both hard and soft landscape works shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority and these works shall be carried out as approved. These details shall include:

full details of every tree, shrub, hedge to be planted (including its proposed location, species, size and approximate date of planting) and details of tree planting pits including associated irrigation measures, tree staking and guards, and structural cells. The scheme shall be designed so as to enhance the nature conservation value of the site, including the use of locally native plant species;

existing trees and hedgerows, which are to be retained pending approval of a detailed scheme, together with measures for protection during construction;

car parking layouts and materials;

other vehicle and pedestrian access and circulation areas;

hard surfacing materials;

minor artefacts and structures for example, furniture, play equipment, refuse or other storage units, signs, lighting etc.

proposed and existing functional services above and below ground (for example, drainage power, communications cables, pipelines etc. indicating lines, manholes, supports etc.);

Reason: In the interests of visual amenity and biodiversity..

05

The approved soft landscaping shall be completed during the first planting season following the first occupation/use of the development, or such longer period as may be agreed in writing by the

local planning authority. Any trees/shrubs which, within a period of five years of being planted die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased shall be replaced in the next planting season with others of similar size and species unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority. All tree, shrub and hedge planting shall be carried out in accordance with BS 3936 -1992 Part 1-Nursery Stock-Specifications for Trees and Shrubs and Part 4 1984-Specifications for Forestry Trees ; BS4043-1989 Transplanting Root-balled Trees; BS4428-1989 Code of Practice for General Landscape Operations. The approved hard landscaping scheme shall be completed prior to first occupation or use.

Reason: To ensure the work is carried out within a reasonable period and thereafter properly maintained, in the interests of visual amenity and biodiversity.

06

No works or development shall take place until a scheme for protection of the retained trees/hedgerows has been agreed in writing with the District Planning Authority. This scheme shall include [include pertinent sections]

a. Details and position of underground service runs and working methods employed should these runs be within the designated root protection area of any retained tree/hedgerow on or adjacent to the application site.

b. Details of any special engineering required to accommodate the protection of retained trees/hedgerows (e.g. in connection with foundations

c. Details of construction and working methods to be employed for the installation of drives and paths within the root protection areas of any retained tree/hedgerow on or adjacent to the application site.

d. Details of working methods to be employed with the demolition of buildings, structures and surfacing within or adjacent to the root protection areas of any retained tree/hedgerow on or adjacent to the application site.

e. Details of any scaffolding erection and associated ground protection within the root protection areas

f. Details of timing for the various phases of works or development in the context of the tree/hedgerow protection measures.

All works/development shall be carried out in full accordance with the approved tree/hedgerow protection scheme. The protection measures shall be retained during the development of the site.

Reason: To ensure that existing trees and hedges to be retained are protected, in the interests of visual amenity and nature conservation.

07

During the construction period the following activities must not be carried out under any circumstances.

a. No fires to be lit on site within 10 metres of the nearest point of the canopy of any retained tree/hedgerow on or adjacent to the proposal site.

b. No equipment, signage, fencing etc shall be attached to or be supported by any retained tree on or adjacent to the application site,

c. No temporary access within designated root protection areas without the prior written approval of the District Planning Authority.

d. No mixing of cement, dispensing of fuels or chemicals within 10 metres of any retained tree/hedgerow on or adjacent to the application site.

e. No soak-aways to be routed within the root protection areas of any retained tree/hedgerow on or adjacent to the application site.

f. No stripping of top soils, excavations or changing of levels to occur within the root protection areas of any retained tree/hedgerow on or adjacent to the application site.

g. No topsoil, building materials or other to be stored within the root protection areas of any retained tree/hedgerow on or adjacent to the application site.

h. No alterations or variations of the approved works or protection schemes shall be carried out without the prior written approval of the District Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure that existing trees and hedges to be retained are protected, in the interests of visual amenity and nature conservation.

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The approved boundary treatments for each individual plot on site (41040 016C – Revised Boundary Treatment Plan deposited 17.12.18) shall be implemented prior to the first occupation of each individual dwelling and shall then be retained in full for a minimum period of 5 years unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority.

Reason: In the interests of residential and visual amenity..

09

Unless otherwise agreed by the Local Planning Authority, development other than that required to be carried out as part of an approved scheme of remediation must not commence until Parts B to D of this condition have been complied with. If unexpected contamination is found after development has begun, development must be halted on that part of the site affected by the unexpected contamination to the extent specified by the Local Planning Authority in writing until Part D has been complied with in relation to that contamination.

Part B: Submission of Remediation Scheme

A detailed remediation scheme to bring the site to a condition suitable for the intended use by removing unacceptable risks to human health, buildings and other property and the natural and historical environment must be prepared, and is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority. The scheme must include all works to be undertaken, proposed remediation objectives and remediation criteria, timetable of works and site management procedures. The scheme must ensure that the site will not qualify as

Reason: To ensure that risks from land contamination to the future users of the land and neighbouring land are minimised, together with those to controlled waters, property and ecological systems, and to ensure that the development can be carried out safely without unacceptable risks to workers, neighbours and other offsite receptors.

contaminated land under Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 in relation to the intended use of the land after remediation.

Part C: Implementation of Approved Remediation Scheme

The approved remediation scheme must be carried out in accordance with its terms prior to the commencement of development other than that required to carry out remediation, unless

otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The Local Planning Authority must be given two weeks written notification of commencement of the remediation scheme works.

Following completion of measures identified in the approved remediation scheme, a verification report (referred to in PPS23 as a validation report) that demonstrates the effectiveness of the remediation carried out must be produced, and is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority.

# Part D: Reporting of Unexpected Contamination

In the event that contamination is found at any time when carrying out the approved development that was not previously identified it must be reported in writing immediately to the Local Planning Authority. An investigation and risk assessment must be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Part A, and where remediation is necessary a remediation scheme must be prepared in accordance with the requirements of Part B, which is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority.

Following completion of measures identified in the approved remediation scheme a verification report must be prepared, which is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority in accordance with Part C.

Reason: To ensure that risks from land contamination to the future users of the land and neighbouring land are minimised, together with those to controlled waters, property and ecological systems, and to ensure that the development can be carried out safely without unacceptable risks to workers, neighbours and other offsite receptors.

11

No dwelling forming part of the development hereby permitted shall be occupied until its associated access/driveway/parking area is surfaced in a hard bound material (not loose gravel) for a minimum of 5 metres behind the Highway boundary. The surfaced drive/parking area shall then be maintained in such hard bound material for the life of the development.

Reason: To reduce the possibility of deleterious material being deposited on the public highway (loose stones etc.).

12

No part of the development hereby permitted shall be occupied until the existing site access that has been made redundant as a consequence of this consent is permanently closed and the access crossing reinstated as footway in accordance with Highway Authority standards. Reason: In the interests of highway safety.

13

No dwelling forming part of the development hereby permitted shall be occupied until its associated access/driveway/parking area is constructed with provision to prevent the unregulated discharge of surface water from the access/driveway/parking area to the public highway. The provision to prevent the unregulated discharge of surface water to the public highway shall then be retained for the life of the development.

Reason: To ensure surface water from the site is not deposited on the public highway causing dangers to road users.

14

No development shall commence until the off-site traffic management works comprising of waiting restrictions on the west side of Bowbridge Road are approved by the Highway Authority in accordance with details to be first submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning

Authority. Thereafter, such restrictions are to be implemented prior to occupation of the first dwelling.

Reason: To protect adequate visibility at the access to cater for the expected volume of traffic joining the existing highway network; in the interests of highway safety.

15

No part of the development hereby permitted shall be commenced until visibility splays of 2.4m x 47m {minimum} are provided at the junction with Bowbridge Road.

Reason: In the interests of Highway safety.

# 16

No development shall be commenced until details of the means of foul drainage and surface water disposal have been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The development shall be carried out thereafter in accordance with the approved details unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority.

Reason: To ensure the provision of satisfactory means of foul sewage/surface water disposal.

# 17

The ecological mitigation recommendations detailed in Section 6 of the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (prepared by RammSanderson) dated May 2018 shall be implemented in accordance with those recommendations unless any variations have previously been agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: In the interests of safeguarding interests of ecological importance in accordance with the requirements of Policies DM5 and DM7 of the DPD.

# 18

No hedge or tree that is to be removed as part of the development hereby permitted shall be lopped, topped, felled or otherwise removed during the bird nesting period (beginning of March to end of August inclusive) unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority. Reason: To ensure that adequate provision is made for the protection of nesting birds on site

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No building on site shall be occupied until details of integrated bat boxes, bird boxes (targeting swift, house sparrow and starling) and hedgehog boxes have been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The bat and bird boxes shall then be installed, prior to occupation, in accordance with the approved details and retained thereafter for the lifetime of the development unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority. Reason: In the interests of maintain and enhancing biodiversity.

20

Prior to first occupation details of any external lighting to be used in the development shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The details shall include location, design, levels of brightness and beam orientation, together with measures to minimise overspill and light pollution. The lighting scheme shall thereafter be carried out in accordance with the approved details and the measures to reduce overspill and light pollution retained for the lifetime of the development unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority. Reason: In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

# 21

No dwelling shall be occupied until bin storage facilities have been provided for that dwelling in accordance with design, siting and materials details, which have been first submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The bin storage facilities shall be provided

prior to occupation of that dwelling in accordance with the approved details and retained for the lifetime of the development unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority. Reason: To ensure that adequate bin storage is provided for occupiers in the interests of residential and visual amenity.

#### 22

The first floor bathroom window openings shall be obscured glazed to level 3 or higher on the Pilkington scale of privacy or equivalent and shall be non-opening up to a minimum height of 1.7m above the internal floor level of the room in which they are3 installed. This specification shall be complied with before the development is occupied and thereafter be retained for the lifetime of the development.

Reason: To safeguard against overlooking and loss of privacy in the interests of amenity of occupiers of neighbouring properties

23

Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (and any order revoking, re-enacting or modifying that Order), other than development expressly authorised by this permission, there shall be no development under Schedule 2, Part 1 of the Order in respect of:

Class B: The enlargement of a dwellinghouse consisting of an addition or alteration to its roof.

Class C: Any other alteration to the roof of a dwellinghouse.

Class E: Buildings etc incidental to the enjoyment of a dwellinghouse.

Unless consent has firstly be granted in the form of a separate planning permission.

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The development hereby permitted shall not be carried out except in accordance with the following approved plans, reference [insert] unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority through the approval of a non-material amendment to the permission. Site Layout Plan drg. no. 41040 001N

House Type B57 PAIR drg. no. 41040 004

House Type H68 PAIR Drg. No. 41040 005

House Type H98 PAIR Drg. No. 41040 006

House Type H82 PAIR Drg. No. 41040 007

House Type H68 H75 PAIR Drg. No. 41040 008

House Type H75 PAIR HANDED Drg. No. 41040 009

House Type H82 H75 PAIR Drg. No. 41040 010

House Type M46 FLATS Drg. No. 41040 011

House Type M46 FLATS SIDE ENTRANCE Drg. No. 41040 012

House Type H68 H68 H75 Terrace Drg No. 41040 13

House Type B57 Terrace Drg. No 41040 14

House Type H68 H82 Pair Drg. No. 41040 019

External Materials Drg. No 41040 017b

Tree Constraints Plan Drg. No. Rse-1511-Tcp V2

Tree Protection Plan Drg. No. Rse-1511-Tpp V2

Reason: So as to define this permission.

# **Informatives**

01

The District Planning Authority has accordingly worked positively and pro-actively, seeking solutions to problems arising in coming to its decision. This is fully in accordance with Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) Order 2010 (as amended).

# 02

The applicant is advised that all planning permissions granted on or after the 1st December 2011 may be subject to the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). Full details of CIL are available on the Council's website at www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/cil/

The proposed development has been assessed and it is the Council's understanding that CIL may not payable on the development hereby approved as the development is made up entirely of Social Housing provided by local housing authority, registered social landlord or registered provider of social housing and shared ownership housing. It is necessary to apply for a formal exemption to confirm this view, which must be made to the Council prior to the commencement of development on CIL 4 form which is also available on the Councils website.

03

The applicant should note that notwithstanding any planning permission that if any highway forming part of the development is to be adopted by the Highways Authority, the new roads and any highway drainage will be required to comply with the Nottinghamshire County Council's current highway design guidance and specification for roadworks.

04

The minor access reinstatement works referred to in the conditions involve work in the public highway and as such require the consent the consent of the County Council as highway Authority. The traffic management works referred to in the conditions require a Traffic Regulation Order before the development commences to provide safe access.

The developer should note that the Order can be made on behalf of the developer by Nottinghamshire County Council at the expense of the developer. This is a separate legal process and the Applicant should contact mike.barnett@viaem.co.uk. Please note this process can take 9-12 months.

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Your attention is drawn to an advisory booklet which is available – "A guide to Developing Land in Nottinghamshire". This is available from NSDC website using the following link:\_ http://www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk/landpollution/

Prior to undertaking an intrusive site investigation the applicant is advised to consult with:

Natural England Block 6 & 7 Government Buildings Chalfont Drive Nottingham NG8 3SN Tel: 0115 929 1191 Fax: 0115 929 4886 Email: eastmidlands@naturalengland.org.uk

English Heritage Ancient Monuments Inspector 44 Derngate Northampton, NN1 1UH Tel: 01604 735400 Fax 01604 735401 E-mail: eastmidlands@english-heritage.org.uk

Heritage Planning Specialists Nottinghamshire County Council Trent Bridge House Fox Road West Bridgford Nottingham NG2 6BJ Tel: +44 (0)115 977 2162 Fax: +44 (0)115 977 2418 E-mail: heritage@nottscc.gov.uk

BACKGROUND PAPERS Application case file. For further information, please contact Bev Pearson on ext. 5840 All submission documents relating to this planning application can be found on the following website <u>www.newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk</u>.

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