

### NORTH NORTHUMBERLAND LOCAL AREA COUNCIL

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### PLANNING APPEALS

Report of the Interim Executive Director of Place

Cabinet Member: Councillor JR Riddle

#### **Purpose of report**

For Members' information to report the progress of planning appeals.

#### **Recommendations**

To note the contents of the report in respect of the progress of planning appeals that have been submitted to and determined by the Planning Inspectorate.

### **Link to Corporate Plan**

This report is relevant to all of the priorities included in the NCC Corporate Plan 2018-2021 where identified within individual planning applications and appeals.

#### **Key issues**

Each planning application and associated appeal has its own particular set of individual issues and considerations that have been taken into account in their determination, which are set out within the individual application reports and appeal decisions.

### 1. Appeals Received

Reference No	Description and Address	Appeal Start Date and Decision Level
18/01370/OUT	Outline application (with some matters reserved) for 4 dwellings - land south east of Greensfield Moor Farm, Alnwick	6 February 2019  Delegated  Decision - Officer

	Main issues: development in the open countryside that would adversely affect the rural setting and character of the area.	Recommendation: Refuse
18/02843/FUL	Change of use to residential (C3 use) comprising 24 no. houses, access road and landscaping - land west of Hawthorns, Longframlington  Main issues: obtrusive development in the rural landscape that would adversely affect the rural setting; and fails to address issues of drainage discharge.	18 March 2019  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
18/02506/FUL	Proposed detached dwelling and garage, also garaging for No 13 and 14 Rothesay Terrace - 14 Rothesay Terrace, Bedlington  Main issues: development would appear excessively large, isolated and incongruous that would be harmful to the character and appearance of the area.	21 March 2019  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
18/04471/FUL	Replace Velux rooflight with a Cabrio Velux Rooflight - 3 Mizen Court, Bamburgh  Main issues: unacceptable impact on residential amenity	2 May 2019  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
18/04268/FUL	Insertion of two dormers and construction of porch to front elevation; rear roof extension dormer and erection of rear ground floor single storey extension to provide living accommodation - 21 Windsor Crescent, Ovingham  Main issues: out of keeping in terms of design, scale and siting and harmful impact upon amenity of adjacent residents.	7 May 2019  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse

18/02665/FUL	Residential development for 4 no.	7 May 2019
	dwellings (amended plans and description) - land north-west of Millfield Court Bardon Mill	Appeal against non-determination
	Main issues: the applicant has appealed against non-determination although officers have advised that the application could not be supported due to matters of location and harmful impacts upon the character and appearance of the area.	
19/00151/FUL	Construction of two-storey extensions to the side and rear and porch to front -	15 May 2019
	Blackhall Mill, The Mill, Juniper, Steel	Delegated Decision - Officer
	Main issues: inappropriate development in the Green belt and very special circumstances do not exist.	Recommendation: Refuse
18/03951/OUT	Outline application for the construction of two semi-detached one and a half storey houses (with appearance, landscaping, layout and scale reserved) - land north-west of Woodhouse Farm, Coanwood	20 May 2019  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
	Main issues: development within the open countryside and not a sustainable location; inadequate standards of amenity; and lack of information on impact upon trees and ecological value of the site.	
18/04344/FUL	Ground and first floor extension to cottage - Rose Cottage, Longhoughton Road, Lesbury	4 June 2019  Delegated  Decision - Officer
	Main issues: the development would result in less than substantial harm and have an adverse effect on the Conservation Area; and the design would not represent an appropriate form of development.	Recommendation: Refuse

18/03943/FUL	Part demolition of existing single storey rear extension, construction of first floor extension, internal alterations and formation of new parking area - Woodhouse Farm, Coanwood  Main issues: design not in keeping with the character and appearance of the existing building and surrounding area; and detrimental impact on residential amenity	11 June 2019  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
18/03964/FUL	Erection of 1 dwelling (C3 use) as self-build/custom plot - land east of Townfoot Steading, Lesbury  Main issues: development in the open countryside in an unsustainable location outside of the settlement; and development would be out of character with and have a detrimental visual impact upon the surrounding countryside.	17 June 2019  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
14/01898/OUT	Outline application for construction of single detached dwelling house - land west of Bramblings, Tranwell Woods, Morpeth  Main issues: inappropriate development in the Green Belt.	17 June 2019  Committee  Decision - Officer  Recommendation:  Refuse
18/03397/FUL	Erection of a new dwelling house - land north of Cheviot View, Netherton  Main issues: development in the open countryside in an unsustainable location outside of any settlement; insufficient information to assess the risk of potentially contaminated land; and obtrusive form of development in the rural landscape.	18 June 2019  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
18/03053/FUL	Demolition of existing two storey, flat roofed extension and replacement with a new two storey, pitched roof	27 June 2019  Delegated  Decision - Officer

	extension with single storey flat roofed garden room projection - Ridley Mill House, Ridley Mill Road, Stocksfield  Main issues: the development by virtue of its overall design, form and materials palette, would introduce an incongruous form of development upon the listed building that would be harmful to its character as a building of special architectural and historic interest.	Recommendation: Refuse
18/03054/LBC	Listed Building Consent for the demolition of existing two storey, flat roofed extension and replacement with a new two storey, pitched roof extension with single storey flat roofed garden room projection - Ridley Mill House, Ridley Mill Road, Stocksfield Main issues: the development by virtue of its overall design, form and materials palette, would introduce an incongruous form of development upon the listed building that would be harmful to its character as a building of special architectural and historic interest.	27 June 2019  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
18/01223/FUL	Demolition of existing modern structures, Change of Use of existing agricultural buildings to residential use including internal and external alterations and construction of 1.5 storey extension on footprint of previous building - Riding Farm, Riding Mill  Main issues: proposal would result in substantial harm to the listed buildings and any limited public benefits would not outweigh the harm.	27 June 2019  Committee  Decision - Officer  Recommendation:  Refuse
18/01224/LBC	Listed building consent for demolition of existing modern structures, Change of Use of existing agricultural buildings to residential use including internal and external alterations and construction of	27 June 2019  Committee  Decision - Officer

	1.5 storey extension on footprint of previous building - Riding Farm, Riding Mill  Main issues: proposal would result in substantial harm to the listed buildings and any limited public benefits would not outweigh the harm.	Recommendation: Refuse
18/01246/FUL	Construction of two one and a half storey dwellings and alterations to parking and access arrangements - Riding Farm, Riding Mill  Main issues: development would harm the setting and special character of listed buildings; and adverse impacts on residential amenity.	27 June 2019  Committee  Decision - Officer  Recommendation:  Refuse
18/04546/FUL	Construction of 1 no. detached dwellinghouse (C3 use) - land north-west of Clifton Lodge, Great North road, Clifton  Main issues: unnecessary and unjustified development in the open countryside outside of a defined settlement boundary; inappropriate development in the Green Belt; and insufficient information to assess impacts upon protected species and their habitats.	2 July 2019  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
18/04514/VAR YCO	Variation of condition 6 (Doors and Windows) pursuant to planning permission 13/01496/VARYCO - The Byre, The Hopps and The Meadows, Summerfield Farm, Allensford, Consett Main issues: inappropriate form of development that would erode and have an adverse effect upon the character and appearance of the traditional former agricultural buildings,	2 July 2019  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse

	and the overall development and surrounding area.	
18/01850/FUL	Proposed two semi detached, three bedroom properties, including landscaping and parking - land north of Mags Newsagents, Main Street, Haltwhistle	2 July 2019  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
	Main issues: by virtue of its scale and design, the development is considered to be inappropriate to the character of the application site and its surroundings; the development would not provide suitable standards of amenity for future occupants; and access to the site is substandard in terms of width preventing vehicles being able to pass.	
19/01031/OUT	Erection of 3 no. dwellinghouses (C3 use) plus new access road - land east of 21 Station Road, Station Road, Stannington  Main issues: cumulative impact of development would diminish and fail to respect the rural, dispersed and open character of the settlement.	4 July 2019  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
18/04275/OUT	Outline application with all matters reserved for nine residential dwellings (as supplemented by information received 20th December 2018 and 4th March 2019) - land north-east of 51 Station Road, Station Road, Stannington	5 July 2019 Appeal against non-determination
	Main issues: development in the Green Belt and effects on the character of Station Road, Stannington	
18/03573/FUL	Extension to existing bed and breakfast establishment - 88 Main Street, North Sunderland	5 July 2019  Delegated  Decision - Officer

	Main issues: detrimental effect on the amenity of neighbouring properties; the AONB; Conservation Area; and the character of the area.	Recommendation: Refuse
18/02671/FUL	Demolition of existing buildings and erection of 9 residential units with associated access (Amended Site Location Plan and Red Line Boundary, and Reduction in number of units in scheme 04.11.2018) - West Road Garage, Rothbury Road, Longframlington	5 July 2019  Committee  Decision - Officer  Recommendation:  Approve
	Main issues: significant adverse visual impact on the immediate area surrounding the site; and significant adverse impact on the setting of adjacent listed buildings	
17/04451/OUT	Outline permission with some matters reserved for the development of 11no. detached 2 storey dwellings with associated access works and removal of trees (as amended 03/05/18) - land north-west of Blue House Farm, Netherton Colliery	8 July 2019  Committee  Decision - Officer  Recommendation:  Refuse
	Main issues: development within the open countryside outside of any defined settlement boundary; substantial harm to the setting of the adjacent listed building; and failed to address concerns in regards to highway safety.	
17/03167/FUL	Demolition of existing former piggeries, stores, saw mill and joiner's shop. Erection of a single storey dwelling including basement. New timber garage and log store. Retain existing access - Wright house, Howden Dene, Newcastle Road, Corbridge	15 July 2019  Committee  Decision - Officer  Recommendation:  Refuse
	Main issues: inappropriate development in the Green Belt.	

19/00750/FUL	Side extension (retrospective) - Whitethorn, Oakwood, Hexham Main issues - disproportionate addition over and above the size of the original dwelling resulting in inappropriate development in the Green Belt.	18 July 2019  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
19/00508/FUL	Erect a fence as an extension to the current fence at the rear of the property, thereby extending the yard area - 18 Scott Street, East Hartford, Cramlington Main issues: uncharacteristic addition to the surrounding streetscene and fails to enhance the visual amenity of the area.	18 July 2019  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
18/04365/FUL	Erection of a dwellinghouse - land east of Valley View, Carterway Heads, Consett  Main issues: development in the open countryside that would not be a sustainable location for new housing; domestic incursion into the countryside impacting on the undeveloped character of the site and harm to the character and appearance of the landscape in this area; and removal of trees would have an adverse impact upon the character, amenity and local landscape.	19 July 2019  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse

# 2. Appeals Withdrawn

None

## 3. Inquiry and Hearing Dates

Reference No	Description and Address	Inquiry/Hearing	
		date and	
		<b>Decision Level</b>	

16/04486/FUL	Detailed planning proposal for 53 residential dwellings and associated infrastructure - land North of The Garth, Pottery Bank, Morpeth  Main Issues: insufficient information submitted to assess whether the development will not have a severe residual cumulative impact on highway network; site is not designated for housing development; insufficient information to demonstrate the development will not increase the risks of flooding; and by virtue of its design, height and massing the development would have an adverse impact on residential amenity	Inquiry date: 4 - 7 June 2019  Committee Decision - Officer Recommendation: Approve
18/01014/FUL	Proposed construction of 7 dwellings - land west of Station Road, Embleton  Main issues: incursion into the open countryside impacting on character and beauty of the countryside; and fails to protect and enhance landscape character	Hearing date: 16 July 2019  Committee Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse

# 4. Planning Appeals Dismissed

Reference No	Proposal and main planning considerations	Award of Costs?
18/00162/OUT	Outline Application (All Matters Reserved); 40 Dwellings - As Amended 23/07/18 - land south of Lightpipe farm, Longframlington  Main issues: benefits of junction improvements not considered to outweigh environmental impact; overdevelopment of the site and adverse impact on the area; and	N

	adverse impact upon the character of the village.  Committee Decision - Officer Recommendation: Approve  Comments: The Inspector concluded that the proposed development would not have a harmful effect on the character and appearance of the surrounding area and there was no overriding evidence to indicate that the proposal would have a significantly harmful environmental effect on the area. The Inspector also concluded that identified contributions are required for the development, although a completed Section 106 Agreement had not been submitted as part of the appeal. Given the obligations are necessary, the Inspector dismissed the appeal on this basis.	
18/04030/ADE	Advertisement Consent application for the erection of 1no. totem sign advertising housing development at Guilden Road - land south of Morwick Road, Warkworth  Main issues: significant detrimental impact on visual amenity affecting the character and appearance of the surrounding area.  Committee Decision - Officer Recommendation: Approve	N
18/02411/FUL	Demolition of outbuilding and construction of one dwelling (retrospective) as variation to permission 13/03141/OUT - Witton Shield House, Pigdon  Main issues: development in the open countryside; and the development is in an unsustainable location.  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse	N

18/01671/VARYC O	Variation of condition 10 (holiday occupancy) pursuant to planning permission A/2008/0543 - Netherton Burnfoot Steading, Netherton  Main issues: removal of the occupancy condition would, by virtue of its location in the open countryside, result in the construction of new unrestricted dwellings in an unsustainable location and no demonstrated need, justification or other material consideration that would justify the construction of a new dwelling in this unsustainable location  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse	N
18/01672/VARYC O	Variation of condition 10 (holiday occupancy) pursuant to planning permission A/2008/0543 - Netherton Burnfoot Steading, Netherton  Main issues: removal of the occupancy condition would, by virtue of its location in the open countryside, result in the construction of new unrestricted dwellings in an unsustainable location and no demonstrated need, justification or other material consideration that would justify the construction of a new dwelling in this unsustainable location  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse	N
18/04028/FUL	Extension to dwelling - North Side Farm, Oatens Park, Horsley  Main issues: inappropriate development in the Green belt and very special circumstances do not exist; and harmful impact upon character of dwelling  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse	N

18/03108/AGTRE S	Proposed change of use of agricultural building to residential - the Gin Gan, Whalton Main issues: the proposal would not constitute permitted development due to the extent of proposed building operations  Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse	N - claim refused
18/01508/FUL	Construction of two dwellings - land north of Lynebank, Ulgham  Main issues: inappropriate development in the Green Belt and no very special circumstances that outweigh the harm; development in the open countryside and no essential need justified; and not a sustainable location for new housing  Committee Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse	N
18/02189/FUL	Residential development (use class C3) for six single storey dwellings with associated landscaping and access - 26 Station Road, Stannington, Morpeth  Main issues: inappropriate development in the Green Belt and no very special circumstances that outweigh the harm.  Committee Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse	N

## 5. Planning Appeals Allowed

Reference No	Proposal and main planning considerations	Award of Costs?
18/04155/FUL	Change of use from three bay garage to single dwellinghouse with adjacent change of use of adjacent land to garden - land	N - claim refused

north-west of Hague Cottage, Wylam Wood Road, Wylam

Main issues: inappropriate development within the Green Belt; harm to the amenity of local residents; adverse impact upon the character of the area and urbanising effect on the site

Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse

Comments: The Planning Inspector concluded that the proposal would not result in inappropriate development in the Green Belt on the basis that the building on site was felt to be more than partially constructed and would not therefore involve the construction of a new building in the Green Belt, whilst there would be no harm to the openness of the Green Belt. In addition the Inspector concluded that the proposal would not result in harm to the living conditions of neighbouring properties or the character of the area.

### 6. Planning Appeals Split Decision

None

### 7. Planning Casework Unit Referrals

None

### 8. Enforcement Appeals received

None

Reference No	Description and Address	Appeal Start Date
18/00595/COU	Change of use from shop to ground floor flat - 55 Woodhorn Road, Ashington	11 February 2019

Main issues: planning permission	
refused under delegated powers due to	
external alterations being out of	
character with the building and locality -	
appeal against Enforcement Notice	
served in respect of unacceptable	
works that have been undertaken.	

## 9. Enforcement Appeals Dismissed

None

## 10. Enforcement Appeals Allowed

None

## <u>Implications</u>

Policy	Decisions on appeals may affect future interpretation of policy and influence policy reviews
Finance and value for money	There may be financial implications where costs are awarded by an Inspector or where Public Inquiries are arranged to determine appeals
Legal	It is expected that Legal Services will be instructed where Public Inquiries are arranged to determine appeals
Procurement	None
Human Resources	None
Property	None
Equalities (Impact Assessment attached)	Planning applications and appeals are considered having regard to the Equality Act 2010
Yes □ No □ N/A □	
Risk Assessment	None
Crime & Disorder	As set out in individual reports and decisions
Customer Consideration	None

	Each application/appeal may have an impact on the local environment and have been assessed accordingly
Wards	All where relevant to application site relating to the appeal

### **Background papers:**

Planning applications and appeal decisions as identified within the report.

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