

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

DATE: 8 JANUARY 2019

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
17/00884/FUL	Conversion of existing Grade II listed building to accommodate 13 No. self contained residential apartments (C3 use class) and development of 4 dormer bungalows (3no. 3 bed and 1no.	21 May 2018 Committee Decision - Officer

17/02847/FUL	4 bed) within former car parking area - 94 Newgate Street, Morpeth Main issues: impact on amenity of neighbouring residents; and harm to heritage assets Proposed holiday accommodation (2 luxury tree house glamps) - land north-west of Southern Wood, Morpeth Main issues: unacceptable development in the open countryside and Green Belt, and insufficient information to assess ecological impacts.	Recommendation: Approve 6 September 2018 Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
18/00672/FUL	Development of 14 Dwellings; Conversion of Allerburn House to 3 Apartments including demolition of later extensions and Refurbishment of Lodge - Amended 27/03/18 - Allerburn House, Denwick Lane, Alnwick Main issues: adverse impact upon residential amenity; adverse visual impact; adverse impact on setting of non-designated heritage asset.	26 September 2018 Committee Decision - Officer Recommendation: Approve
18/00074/OUT	Outline application for construction of a 4 bedroom detached dwelling house (All Matters Reserved) - land west of St Philip & St James Church, Whittonstall Main issues: by virtue of its location, layout and setting the development would erode the rural character of the site and its surroundings. The construction of a dwelling in this location would appear incongruous and would not relate to the form of the village, extending development further into the surrounding countryside; this would detract from the character and	12 October 2018 Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse

	appearance of the site and surrounding area.	
18/00404/FUL	Proposed demolition of existing redundant workshop/storage building. Proposed construction of 3no. detached 1 1/2 storey dwelling houses - land north-west of Braeside, Branxton Main issues: development would be out of character and would have a detrimental visual impact due to design, scale, location and density.	15 October 2018 Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
18/02047/FUL	Proposed internal alterations to existing dwelling and including conversion of roofspace to provide additional floorspace - Cruel Syke, North Road, Haydon Bridge Main issues: extension would result in a disproportionate addition to the original house; would not be sympathetic to the character of the existing building and would be detrimental to visual amenity, rural character and street scene; and detrimental to amenity of adjacent residents.	29 October 2018 Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
18/02102/FUL	Removal of existing porch roof and rebuilding with new porch and orangery (previously approved) - Moore House, Whalton Main issues: proposal would result in an incongruous and inappropriate addition upon a non designated heritage asset with the loss of the existing canopy resulting in the loss of a sympathetic feature and harm to the host property.	1 November 2018 Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse
18/01174/FUL	Erection of a single family home with garden, garage and parking - land south of Laburnum House, Acomb	13 November 2018 Delegated Decision - Officer

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	Main issues: backland development out	Recommendation:
	of character with existing development;	Refuse
	subdivision would not reflect existing	
	character of the site and would have an	
	adverse effect on the character and	
	appearance of the area; harm to the	
	character and appearance of the	
	Conservation Area; and unsuitable	
	means of access.	
17/03367/OUT	Outline application for 2 pg. 2 F storey	15 November
17/03367/001	Outline application for 2 no. 2.5 storey	
	dwelling houses with garages all	2018
	matters reserved (re-submission of	Committee
	withdrawn outline planning application	Decision - Officer
	17/00666/OUT) - Plots 5 and 6, land	Recommendation:
	north of Dyke House, The Avenue,	Approve
	Medburn	
	Main issues: increase in vehicular traffic	
	and safe and suitable access cannot be	
	achieved along The Avenue; and not a	
	sustainable location for new	
	development.	

2. Appeals Withdrawn

None

3. Inquiry and Hearing Dates

Reference No	Description and Address	Inquiry/Hearing date and Decision Level
16/04486/FUL	Detailed planning proposal for 53 residential dwellings and associated infrastructure - land North of The Garth, Pottery Bank, Morpeth	Inquiry date: 4 - 7 June 2019 Committee Decision - Officer
	Main Issues: insufficient information submitted to assess whether the development will not have a severe residual cumulative impact on highway	Recommendation: Approve

	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	
17/01799/FUL	Development of 12no. Mobile Home Act compliant Twin Unit Residential Lodges/Bungalows (as amended 13/12/17) - land west of Treetops, Allally Road, Whittingham Main issues: development would not reflect local character or distinctiveness of Whittingham and its Conservation Area and would have an adverse impact on the setting of a historic rural village.	Hearing date: 30 January 2019 Committee Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse

4. Planning Appeals Dismissed

Reference No	Proposal and main planning considerations	Award of Costs?
17/01970/HED	High Hedge - 22 Hazelmere Crescent, Eastfield Glade, Cramlington Main issues: whether or not the trees are a High Hedge (HH) and if so whether or not it was reasonable for the Council to find that no action should be taken to remedy the effect of the HH upon the complainant's reasonable enjoyment of their property. Comments: The Inspector found that the HH does not materially affect the complainant's enjoyment of their property and it was	N

	reasonable for the Council to find that no action should be taken to remedy the effect of the HH upon the complainant's property.	
18/01165/FUL	Development of land to build American style timber barn incorporating stables with external hard standing, outdoor fenced horse riding arena and 3 bedroom static caravan - land south-west of Hill View, Longhorsley Main issues: unacceptable development in the open countryside and Green Belt. Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse	N
18/01598/FUL	Change of use/conversion of existing garage block/outbuilding to create 2no residential dwellings - Land north-east of Waren Lea Hall, Waren Mill Main issues: detrimental impact of dormer windows on rural setting and AONB. Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse	N
17/02225/FUL	Change of use of ground floor to retail. Upper floor extension to provide single maisonette - Workshop, Chantry Place, Morpeth Main issues: proposal would result in significant visual intrusion and unacceptable loss of daylight, sunlight and outlook to adjacent property; lack of information on flood risk; eaves and roof design along with timber cladding and loss of stonework would result in harm to the setting of the Conservation Area; and lack of satisfactory pedestrian access to dwelling and service access to retail unit. Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse	N
17/02595/OUT	Outline Application for 10 self build dwellings with all matters reserved, except for access (revised description, 18th August 2017) -	N

Land south-east of Parkside Place, West Woodburn	
Main issues: development outside of the settlement within the open countryside, and impacts on highway safety.	
Delegated Decision - Officer Recommendation: Refuse	

5. Planning Appeals Allowed

None

6. Planning Appeals Split Decision

None

7. Planning Casework Unit Referrals

None

8. Enforcement Appeals received

None

9. Enforcement Appeals Dismissed

None

10. Enforcement Appeals Allowed

None

Implications

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
Carbon reduction	Each application/appeal may have an impact on 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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