

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 13th November 2023

Present: Councillor K McKay (Chair), Mrs C Thomas, Mrs N Whalley, Mrs L Willis, Mrs F C-Wilson, Mrs J Atherton, Mrs D Dickinson, T Fiddler, Mrs N Griffiths, Mrs P Mulholland.

- 1) **To accept Apologies for Absence.** - None
- 2) **To record declaration of interest from members in any item to be discussed.** - None
- 3) **Public participation** - None
- 4) **The following applications were reviewed:**

| App. No. | Location | Description | Decision |
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| 23/0278 | 4 Richardson Close Freckleton Preston PR4 1PF | Erection of single storey extension to side and rear following demolition of existing rear conservatory | Freckleton Parish Council support this application |
| 23/0660 | Land Near Quakers Wood Lower Lane Freckleton PR4 1TS | Erection of 2no. agricultural buildings ancillary to existing equine use on the site. | Freckleton Parish Council support this application |
| 23/0717 | Land Adjacent Poolside Farm / Naze Lane East (Emmanuel Lodge) Naze Lane East Freckleton PR4 1UN | Retrospective application for change of use of land to form a 1 pitch family traveller caravan site (1 static & 2 trailer caravans) with 1 no. associated day room, erection of 1.8m and 2.1m high boundary fence and gates around site, and the installation of a septic tank. | Freckleton Parish council object to this application. See notes below. |
| 23/0561 | British Aerospace Plc Southside Collaboration Centre Bae Systems Warton Lytham Road Bryning with Warton PR4 1AX | Installation of 180 roof-mounted solar photovoltaic panels with associated protective barriers, gantry, walkway and access staircase | Freckleton Parish Council have no objections to this application. |
| 23/0686 | Ashley Preston New Road Freckleton PR4 1TU | Porch to front elevation of dwelling | Freckleton Parish Council support this application |

Signed.....P Mulholland, Chairman.....

Date...04/12/2023.....

Application 23/0717

- We must re-iterate our previous objections to this development. The area of this development is designated countryside. The development represents a new, isolated dwelling in this area and should not be permitted. It has never formed part of the curtilage of the property called Poolside Farm, or the ECO house development proposed under application 16/0991, which did form part of Poolside Farm until this was sold. All previous applications in adjacent properties have been rejected as being development in countryside.
- There are drainage issues with both the septic waste, which needs EA approval as the site lies close to a main river feeding the Ribble RAMSAR site, and surface water which should not be routed to a sewer.
- Road access to and from the area is dangerous, being on the middle of a blind bend and has been subject of complaints to LCC Highways. There are also issues relating to footpaths 8 and 19, the latter being the only access to the proposed related development site.
- The Parish Council have concerns relating to public safety and public liability. This application would affect the operation of the Warton Aerodrome, by reducing the applied safety margins. This is a private civilian aerodrome that is engaged in the testing of new military aircraft types, which may involve carriage of live weapons, or new variants with advanced avionic displays. It also handles various freight operations which may involve hazardous cargo. Previously, when owned by MoD, a guarded area was implied by the nature of the work and military use. Although now a civilian operation, the implications remain unchanged in respect of assessments of the risks, hazards and safe operations. Consequently, no development of permanent residence types should be permitted under the approach flight paths to the airfield, and for this class of use, the available guidance set out by the CAA/MAA implies now such development should not be permitted within a box defined by 900 metres from the runway threshold at either end, in line with the 150m width either side of the extended centrelines of the runway.