

PLANNING COMMITTEE – 15 AUGUST 2019

PART 5

Report of the Head of Planning

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Decisions by County Council and Secretary of State, reported for information

- **Item 5.1 – Land At Crown Quay Lane, Sittingbourne**

APPEAL DISMISSED

ENFORCEMENT APPAL

Observations

Full support for the Council's decision to serve an enforcement notice on this harmful development close to Sittingbourne Creek.

- **Item 5.2 – Newington Working Men's Club, Newington**

APPEAL ALLOWED

DELEGATED REFUSAL

Whilst the Inspector has allowed the appeal. Members will note however that of the two conditions that were at issue (conditions (2) and (11) of 17/504342/FULL) the Inspector concluded, at paragraph 48, that condition (2)(noise mitigation) should not be varied and that condition (11)(non-openable windows on front façade and mechanical ventilation from rear) should not be removed because of noise impacts arising from traffic on the A2, and should simply be varied to require that all windows on the front façade are non-opening only.

- **Item 5.3 – Greenacres Farm, Norton Road, Norton**

APPEAL DISMISSED

DELEGATED REFUSAL

Observations

A complex case revolving around the same information and other appeal decisions that officers had considered, with the Inspector supporting that analysis and decision.

- **Item 5.4 – Black Cottages, Mutton Lane, Ospringe**

APPEAL DISMISSED

DELEGATED REFUSAL

Observations

This decision only rejects the development on technical grounds and leaves the door open for a re-submission which the Council will find hard to resist. Approval appears to be based on the Council's current lack of secure five year housing land supply and to this extent the decision is inconsistent with several other recent appeal decisions where this lack of land supply has not been found to be a significant factor when only single or small numbers of houses have been proposed.