Application No:10/0346MLocation:WOODSIDE POULTRY FARM, STOCKS LANE, OVER PEOVER,
KNUTSFORD, WA16 8TNProposal:ERECTION OF 15 NO. AFFORDABLE HOUSES

For DEAN JOHNSON FARMS LTD/ DANE HOUSING

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SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION	Approve subject to conditions & the prior completion of a S106 legal agreement
MAIN ISSUES	
 Whether the consultation on the amended plans raises any new issues that need to be considered The impact of the proposal on protected species 	

REASON FOR REPORT

On 15 September 2010, the Board delegated power to the Head of Policy & Planning to determine the above planning application after reconsultation regarding amended plans submitted at/just before the meeting. The amendments repositioned 6 houses 2m further from a boundary with neighbouring properties. There was an underlying understanding that the delegated decision would be based on the report recommendation plus consultation responses commenting on the repositioning. However, during the reconsultation period a new issue has arisen regarding Great Crested Newts. In these circumstances the Head of Planning and Housing is exercising his discretion to refer the application back to the Board for decision.

The background to the application is set out in the attached committee report and update report prepared for 15 September 2010.

DESCRIPTION OF SITE AND CONTEXT

See original report.

DETAILS OF PROPOSAL

See original report.

RELEVANT HISTORY

See original report.

POLICIES

See original report.

CONSULTATIONS (External to Planning)

The following consultations have been received in relation to the reconsultation on the amended plans.

Environment Agency – no objection subject to the imposition of a condition regarding potential contamination.

CEC Landscape – as previously, no objections to the proposal subject to conditions.

Housing – no comments.

Manchester University (Jodrell Bank) – would like to see the incorporation of materials to reduce electromagnetic interference.

OTHER REPRESENTATIONS

NO additional representations were received in relation to the amended plans.

APPLICANT'S SUPPORTING INFORMATION

See original report.

OFFICER APPRAISAL

It is not considered that the additional comments received from the landscape officer, the housing department or Manchester University raise any new issues that were not previously considered by Committee or were not covered by the conditions attached to the original recommendation.

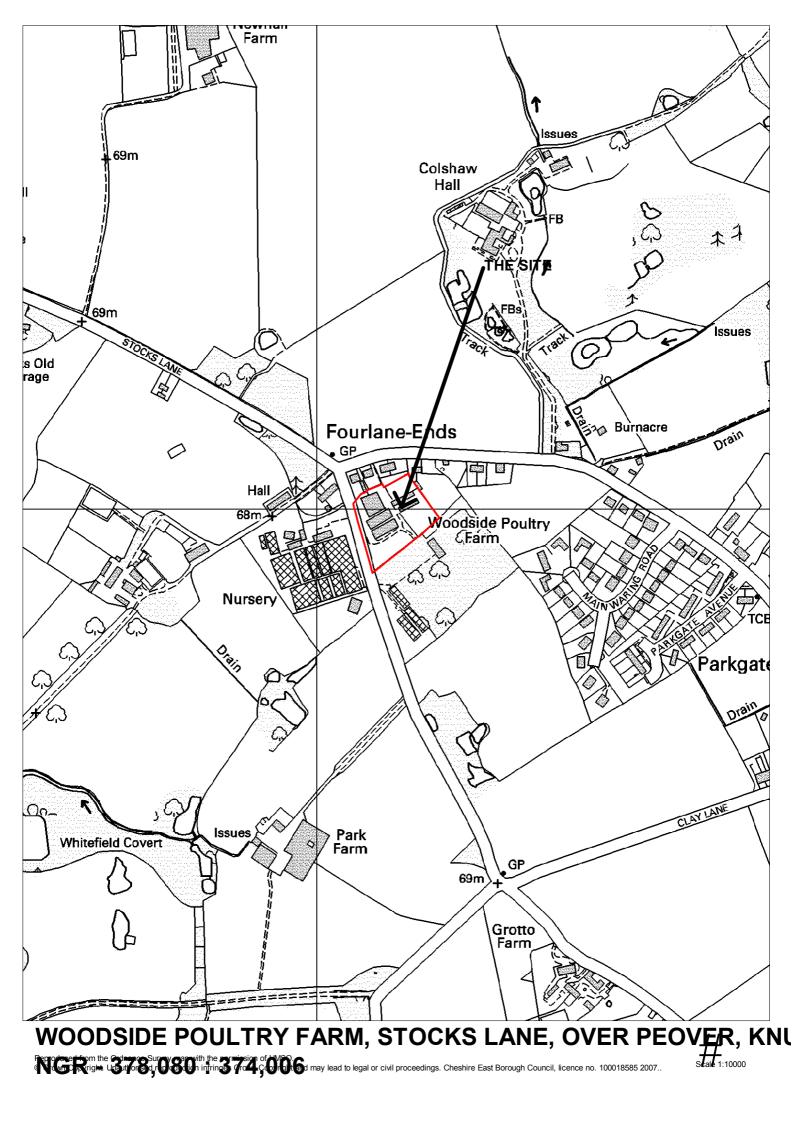
With regard to the comments received from the Environment Agency, these replicate those previously received in relation to the original scheme. Whilst the condition suggested by the Environment Agency was not attached to the original recommendation, a condition proposed by the Council's contaminated land officer was. This requires the submission of a Phase II Contamination report and would cover the requirements of the Environment Agency.

Another issue that has become apparent since the proposal was considered at committee is that whilst there were a number of conditions listed regarding nature conservation issues (provision of a bat loft, bat nesting boxes, protection and provision for breeding birds), no conditions were suggested regarding great crested newts which were recorded in garden ponds adjacent to the proposed development. In order to mitigate the risk of killing, injuring or disturbing any animals present on site, the applicant's ecologist has recommended the removal and exclusion of newts from the development site by means of amphibian fencing and pitfall trapping in association with Natural England guidelines. This is standard practice and is acceptable to the Council's Nature Conservation Officer. However, in order for this to be ensured, this would need to be covered by a condition which requires the development to be carried out in accordance with the submitted ecological reports. This additional condition has therefore been added to the list attached to the original report.

Heads of Terms

Should the Council be minded to approve the application, then a S106 legal agreement would be required to include the following matters:

- dwellings will be retained as affordable housing in perpetuity and that occupation is restricted to those in genuine need who are employed locally or have local connection to the parish of Over Peover and then cascaded initially to adjoining parishes before being offered to residents of other areas of the Borough (it is likely that this would initially be Bucklow Ward, then former MBC, then wider CEC though the final details of this is to be agreed in consultation with Plus Dane Housing and the Parish Council)
- provision of off site ecological works and habitat management plan
- commuted sum of £45,000 to be paid to the Council to make additions, enhancements and improvements to the Local Parish play facility in Over Peover



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RECOMMENDATION : Approve subejct to a Section 106 Agreement and the following conditions

- 1. A03FP Commencement of development (3 years)
- 2. A01AP Development in accord with approved plans
- 3. A05EX Details of materials to be submitted
- 4. A10EX Rainwater goods
- 5. A12EX Fenestration to be set behind reveals
- 6. A20EX Submission of details of windows/doors including materials and finish
- 7. A01GR Removal of permitted development rights
- 8. A07GR No windows to be inserted
- 9. A22GR Protection from noise during construction (hours of construction)
- 10.A12HA Closure of access
- 11.A07HA No gates new access
- 12.A01HP Provision of car parking
- 13.A30HA Protection of highway from mud and debris
- 14.A01LS Landscaping submission of details
- 15. A04LS Landscaping (implementation)
- 16.A12LS Landscaping to include details of boundary treatment
- 17.A04MC Electromagnetic protection (Jodrell Bank)
- 18. A08MC Lighting details to be approved
- 19.A17MC Decontamination of land (Phase II Report required)
- 20.A19MC Refuse storage facilities to be approved
- 21.A06NC Protection for breeding birds
- 22.A01TR Tree retention
- 23.A02TR Tree protection
- 24.A05TR Arboricultural method statement
- 25. A02NC Implementation of ecological report
- 26. Construction of new junction prior to construction of any other part of the development
- 27. Construction of highways (manual for streets layout)
- 28. Provision of Bat Loft
- 29. Provision of Barn Owl Nesting Boxes
- 30. Provision of facilities for breeding birds
- 31. Prior to the occupation of the dwellings, in the absence of a scheme for redevelopment having been implemented, Building A shall be demolished