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**Meeting:** North Northamptonshire Strategic Planning Committee

Date: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023

**Time:** 7:00 pm

Venue: Council Chamber, Corby Cube, George Street, Corby, NN17 1QG

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To members of the North Northamptonshire Strategic Planning Committee

Councillors North (Chair), Bell (Vice Chair), Best, Dalziel, Dearing, Marks, McEwan, Powell, Rielly, Smyth, Tebbutt, Waters

Substitute Members: Councillors, Jackson, Carter, O'Hara, Prentice , Keane, Fedorowycz ,Lyn Buckingham and Anslow

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\*The reports on this agenda include summaries of representations that have been received in response to consultation under the Planning Acts and in accordance with the provisions in the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) Order 2015.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee

At 7.00 pm on Monday 17th October, 2022 in the Council Chamber, Corby Cube, George Street, Corby, NN17 1QG

# Present:-

### <u>Members</u>

Councillor Steven North (Chair) Councillor Mark Dearing Councillor Alison Dalziel Councillor Paul Marks Councillor Jan O'Hara Councillor Lyn Buckingham Councillor Paul Bell Councillor Simon Rielly Councillor Joseph John Smyth Councillor Kevin Thurland Councillor Bert Jackson Councillor Simon Rielly

**Officers** 

Jasbir Sandhu	<b>Development Services</b>
Louise Holland	<b>Development Services</b>
Richard Marlow	<b>Development Services</b>
Farjana Mazumder	<b>Development Services</b>
Simon Aley	Legal Representative
Callum Galluzzo	Democratic Services

### 71 Apologies for non-attendance

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Councillors Ross Armour, Tim Allebone, Charlie Best, Mike Tebbutt and Malcom Waters

It was noted that Councillors Jan O'Hara, Kevin Thurland and Lyn Buckingham and Bert Jackson were present and acting as substitutes.

# 72 Minutes of the meeting held on 22nd August 2022

### RESOLVED

that the minutes of the meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee held on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2022 be approved as a correct record.

# 73 Members' Declarations of Interests

The chair asked members to declare any interests on items present on the agenda.

No declarations were made.

# 74 Applications for planning permission, listed building consent and appeal information\*

The Committee considered the following applications for planning permission, which were set out in the Development Control Officers Report and supplemented verbally and in writing at the meeting. Six speakers attended the meeting and spoke on

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applications in accordance with the Right to Speak Policy. Two written statements were also submitted and provided to members of the committee.

The reports included details of applications and, where applicable, results of statutory consultations and representations which had been received from interested bodies and individuals, and the Committee reached the following decisions:-.

# a) NK/2021/0356

Proposed Development	Decision
*4.1 Approval of Reserved Matters: All details in respect of KET/2017/0169 for residential development of 700 dwellings at Desborough North (land at), Desborough for Bellway Homes (East Midlands) Application No: NK/2021/0356	Members received a report about a proposal for which approval of Reserved Matters was being sought for 700 dwellings further to outline planning permission being granted in April 2014. It was noted that 20% of the dwellings would be affordable (40% intermediate and 60% social rent) which was in accordance with the outline requirements.
	The plopping officer addressed the
Matthew Peleszok submitted a written statement as a third party objector to the proposed development that raised several objections including concerns with vehicular access through existing	committee and provided an update which stated that an additional objection had been received.
residential areas. Concerns were also raised to highway safety and surface water drainage. Conditions were also encouraged in order for the applicant to phasing proposals and commitment that construction traffic would not enter via the Grange development.	Members sought clarification regarding residential parking within the development. It was stated that three bedroom houses would have an room for two vehicles, four bedroom houses would have three spaces with garages on some plots with additional parking throughout for visitors.
Cllr Ben Murphy-Ryan submitted a written statement as a representative of Desborough Town Council that stated The Town Council continued to have concerns with the approval of reserved matters on the site – since the last meeting there have been no	Members heard that the developer was committed to the development and estimated time for delivery to be ten years through a phasing strategy to be provided.
discussions of contact by the developer. Concerns were also raised regarding surface water and flood risks.	Members sought clarification regarding any proposed traffic calming measures and sough clarification regarding further
Cllr David Howes attended the meeting and addressed the meeting as the ward councillor for the proposed	developments to the local centre and proposed schools.
development. Cllr Howes raised objections due to highways access	It was heard that a phasing plan was to be approved and covered by proposed

concerns along with water drainage schemes and urged members to defer	conditions and that there would be traffic calming measures in place within the local
the application.	centre with regards to the used materials
Georgina Doyle attended the meeting and addressed the committee as the agent on behalf of the applicant. The applicant provided further clarification on the development stating that 20% of the site would be affordable housing with a wide range of properties.	for construction. Members also heard that the local centre and school would be covered under separate full planning applications and that colleagues within NNC Education were fully engaged with the development.
	It was stated to members that the development had opted for a management company in order to operate and maintain the play areas and open spaces within the proposed development.
	Following debate it was proposed by Councillor Bell and seconded by Councillor Nortth that the application be approved in line with the officer's recommendation.
	It was agreed that the application be <b>APPROVED</b> subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The development hereby permitted shall not be carried out other than in accordance with the approved plans and details listed below.
- 2. Prior to commencement of construction of the first dwelling, full details of all windows (and their surrounds), doors, porches/canopies, verge detailing, rainwater goods, chimneys and external meter boxes shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.
- 3. All external surfacing works (materials) shall be carried out in accordance with the approved materials plan listed below unless otherwise agreed in writing by local planning authority.
- 4. Notwithstanding the approved boundary treatment plans the approved fencing within scheme shall be a minimum of 1.8m in height and shall include the provision of 'hedgehog holes', unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Any access to communal alleyways/rear accesses shall be gated at the opening of the alleyway.
- 5. No external lighting shall be erected on site until details have been first submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Details shall include technical specification, siting and design and appearance. Any external lighting erected shall be in accordance with the approved details.

- 6. Prior to the commencement of construction of dwellings, a phasing plan shall be submitted which sets out the timing of delivery of each of the public open spaces including their landscaping, play areas, trim trail, allotments, community orchard or any other approved features within them. The open spaces shall be delivered in accordance with the approved plans and the approved phasing plan unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Any trees or plants which, within a period of 5 years from the date of planting die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased shall be replaced in the next planting season with others of similar size and species.
- 7. All planting, seeding or turfing comprised in the approved details of landscaping (outside of the public open spaces which is dealt with pursuant to condition 2) shall be carried out in the first planting and seeding seasons following the occupation of the buildings to which those areas of landscaping are associated with, unless these works are carried out earlier. Any trees or plants which, within a period of 5 years from the date of planting die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased shall be replaced in the next planting season with others of similar size and species.
- 8. Prior to first occupation of the first dwelling on site a landscape management plan, including long term design objectives, management responsibilities and maintenance schedules for all landscape areas, other than small, privately-owned, domestic gardens, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The landscape management plan shall be carried out as approved.

(Members voted on the officers' recommendation to approve the application)

(Voting: For 9, Against 2)

The application was therefore APPROVED

# 75 NC/21/00063/REM

Proposed Development	Decision
*4.2 Approval of reserved matters of access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for principal site access and associated realignment of A43/Stamford Road junction at Cowthick Plantation, Stamford Road, Stanion for Mulberry Commercial Developments Limited	Members received a report about a proposal for which approval of the reserved matters was being sought for the access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the construction of the principal site access and associated realignment of the existing A43/Stamford Road junction.
Application No: NC/21/00063/REM	associated with the proposed roundabouts.

Speaker:	Members sought to ensure that no HGV were to access through Weldon and stick to approved Traffic Regulation Orders.
Gywn Stubbings attended the meeting and addressed the committee as the agent on behalf of the applicant sating that the application was consistent with existing outline planning and that a transport assessment was still under consideration	Following debate it was proposed by Councillor Dalziel and seconded by Councillor Dearing that the application be approved in line with the officer's recommendation.
	It was agreed that the application be <b>APPROVED</b> subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The development shall conform in all aspects with the plans and details as indicatively shown in the application as listed below, unless variations are agreed by the Local Planning Authority in order to discharge other conditions attached to this decision or outline permission 18/00817/OUT:
  - Topographical Survey, Dwg ref: 24561\_T\_Phase\_2 Rev.0
  - Location Plan, Dwg Ref: 4345-034 Rev.P2
  - General Arrangement, Dwg ref: 1807-03-111
  - Section 278 Planting Matrix & Schedules, Dwg ref: BMD.18.023.SP.P004
  - Section 278 General Arrangement, Dwg ref: BMD.018.023.DR.P201
  - Section 278 Planting Plan, Dwg ref: BMD.018.023.DR.P202
  - Proposed A43 & Stamford Road Swept Path Analysis, Dwg ref: 1807-03 SP02
  - Proposed A43 & Stamford Road Visibility Splays, Dwg ref: 1807-03 002
  - Proposed A43 & Stamford Road Longitudinal Sections, Dwg ref: 1807-03 102

- Technical Note, ref: 1807/TN09 Rev.B, dated 5th July, prepared by Transport Planning Associates (TPA)

Informative Note:

Prior to commencement of the development full engineering, drainage, lighting and constructional details shall be submitted and approved in writing by North Northants Council through the Highways Adoptions Technical Approval process. The approved Plans shall then be implemented prior to the first occupation in accordance with the agreed Plans Targets to the satisfaction of the council.

(Members voted on the officers' recommendation to approve the application)

(Voting: Unanimous)

The application was therefore APPROVED

Proposed Development	Decision
*4.3 Outline application (with all matters other than access reserved) for the development of up to 45,000 square metres (sq.m) of B8 warehousing/logistics premises with ancillary office space and associated infrastructure at Land At The North Side Of Birchington Road, Corby, Northamptonshire for Barmach Limited	Members received a report about a proposal for which outline planning permission was being sought (with all matters other than access reserved) for the development of up to 45,000 square metres of B8 warehousing/logistics premises with ancillary office space and associated infrastructure on land on the north of Birchington Road, Corby.
Application No: NC/21/00366/OUT <u>Speaker</u> :	Members sought clarification regarding adjacent road infrastructure in the area and noted that this fell outside of the development area.
Cllr Michael Page attended the meeting and addressed the committee as a representative of Weldon Parish Council stating that there were concerns regarding the size of the building and that a clear buffer was needed between residential and commercial properties using green screening. Simon Machen attended the meeting and addressed the committee as the agent on behalf of the applicant stating that the brownfield site had been allocated for employment use and had a long history of allocation so represented a well established suitability. It was also stated that the applicant was committed to working with Weldon Parish Council throughout the reserved matters stage.	Members also sought to ensure the proposed development would result in a biodiversity net gain and would also include a strategic approach to biodiversity. Following debate it was proposed by Councillor Smyth and seconded by Councillor Bell that the application be approved in line with the officer's recommendation. It was agreed that the application be <b>APPROVED</b> subject to the following conditions:

1. Application for approval of the reserved matters shall be made to the council before the expiration of 3 years from the date of this permission. The development hereby permitted shall begin no later than the expiration of 2 years from the date of approval of the last of the reserved matters to be approved.

The development shall conform in all aspects with the plans and details shown in the application as listed below, unless variations are agreed by the Local Planning Authority in order to discharge other conditions attached to this decision:

- Existing Site Location Plan, Dwg. No.-PL100
- Site Parameters Plan, Dwg. No.-PL108 P02
- Planning Statement, Rev-02
- Design and Access Statement, Rev-P06, August 2022
- LVApp Land at Birchington Road V2 12.08.21 sfs AA.
- B024896 Birchington Road PEA Issue v3;
- Birchington Road Transport Assessment AA Rev 2 with Appends;
- Transport Assessment Addendum 21st April 2022 AA with Appends;
- 220708 Council response AA with Appends (003);
- 2208 Council Response AA with Appends; and
- HGV Distn Sensy Test.
- 2021.11.16 NC-21-00366-OUT Response to LLFA; and
- Birchington Road FRDA Rev A.
- Sustainable Design and Energy Statement final
- 784-B024896 Birchington Road Corby 15Oct21 (AQA)
- 784-B024896 Birchington Road Corby NOISE 12Aug21; and
- 784-B024896 Birchington Road, Corby Noise Response 04Nov21.
- C8278 Corby Desk Study April 19; and
- C8278, Gretton Road, Corby Geoenvironmental Appraisal -Morrisons Land AUG 19 FINAL.
- 2. Details of all the reserved matters for relevant phase shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority before any development is commenced:
  - a. Scale
  - b. Appearance
  - c. Landscaping, and
  - d. Layout
- 3. Approval of all reserved matters shall be submitted within 5 years of this permission. The development shall thereafter be completed in accordance with the approved details.
- 4. Each reserved matters application shall comply with the approved Site Parameters Plan Drawing PL108 Rev.P02 and the Design and Access Statement Rev.P06. August 2022.

# **ENVIRONMENT**

5. Development on land potentially affected by contamination

Unless otherwise agreed by the Local Planning Authority, development other than that required to be carried out as part of an approved scheme of remediation must not commence until parts A to C have been complied with.

A. Site Characterisation

An investigation and risk assessment, in addition to any assessment provided with the planning application, must be completed in accordance with a scheme to assess the nature and extent of any contamination on the site, whether or not it originates on the site. The contents of the scheme are subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority. The investigation and risk assessment must be undertaken by competent persons and a written report of the findings must be produced. The written report is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority. The report of the findings must include:

(i) a survey of the extent, scale and nature of contamination;

(ii) an assessment of the potential risks to:

- human health,
- property (existing or proposed) including buildings, crops, livestock, pets, woodland and service lines and pipes,
- adjoining land,
- groundwaters and surface waters,
- ecological systems,
- archaeological sites and ancient monuments;
- (iii) an appraisal of remedial options, and proposal of the preferred option(s).

This must be conducted in accordance with DEFRA and the Environment Agency's 'Land Contamination: Risk Management' (or any guidance revoking and replacing this guidance with or without modification)'.

Informative (must be included): Geoenvironmental Appraisal Report reference C8278/GA dated August 2019 by Sirius Geotechnical Ltd references that the site has been divided into two areas, A and B. Area A appears to cover the majority of the proposed development site, however it also includes a section of Area B. The report should be revised to encompass the whole of the proposed development site excluding the part of Area B that is not included or a separate, updated report should be submitted that also includes the following:

The results and recommendations from the remainder of the gas monitoring visits as indicated in section 4.6. 'Gas and Groundwater Monitoring', as at the time of writing the report, only two post-investigation ground gas / groundwater monitoring visits had been undertaken, out of a planned programme of six visits and the results of the full ground gas risk assessment stated to be undertaken following completion of the gas monitoring programme as indicated in section 8.6. Ground Gas.

Proposals regarding the presence of asbestos-impacted granular made ground are acknowledged however 2 of the 3 samples positive for asbestos are located in the southern portion of Area B therefore clarification is required that TP 123 is or is not within the development boundary.

### B. Submission of Remediation Scheme

A detailed remediation scheme to bring the site to a condition suitable for the intended use by removing unacceptable risks to human health, buildings and other property and the natural and historical environment must be prepared, and is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority. The scheme must include all works to be undertaken, proposed remediation objectives and remediation criteria, timetable of works and site management procedures. The scheme must ensure that the site will not qualify as contaminated land under Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 in relation to the intended use of the land after remediation.

C. Implementation of Approved Remediation Scheme

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The approved remediation scheme must be carried out in accordance with its terms prior to the commencement of development other than that required to carry out remediation, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The Local Planning Authority must be given two weeks written notification of commencement of the remediation scheme works. Following completion of measures identified in the approved remediation scheme, a verification report that demonstrates the effectiveness of the remediation carried out must be produced, and is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority.

6. Reporting of Unexpected Contamination

In the event that contamination is found at any time when carrying out the approved development that was not previously identified it must be reported in writing immediately to the Local Planning Authority. An investigation and risk assessment must be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of part A of condition \*, and where remediation is necessary, a remediation scheme must be prepared in accordance with the requirements of part B of condition \*, which is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority.

Following completion of measures identified in the approved remediation scheme a verification report must be prepared, which is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority in accordance with part C of condition \*.

7. Noise - External Plant/Operational Noise

Any reserved matters application must be accompanied by a noise assessment submitted for approval that outlines the likely impact from any fixed plant or operational noise on any noise sensitive property, and the measures necessary to ensure that the noise from any aspect of the authorised development does not affect the local amenity of residents. The assessment shall be determined by measurement or prediction in accordance with the guidance and methodology set out in BS 4142:2014+A1:2019. Once approved the development shall commence according to the approval and thereafter be maintained in this approved state unless consent is given in writing by the LPA. The assessment shall include an operational noise management plan, which shall contain measures for addressing noise from (but not limited to) refrigerated vehicles, loading and unloading, broadband (white noise) reversing alarms and location of fixed plant.

Informative: The applicants acoustic consultant should further inform document reference 784-B024896 dated 4th November 2021 by including a BS 4142:2014+A1:2019 assessment for operational noise from the development and not just for the fixed plant. This type of activity is covered by the BS and may indicate further mitigation is required or support that there is no potential for an adverse impact. I acknowledge a prediction and comparison with existing background noise levels for cumulative operational noise has been included and the conclusion is that it falls within the LOAEL criteria.

The development should be further assessed with respect to the context of the local noise environment and how it may impact on this. The new building may create a noise barrier between existing housing and the existing warehouse/service yard to the south of the proposed development, however there

is potential for the creation of standing waves if noise from the existing warehouse is reflected off the new building and vice versa.

Consideration should be given to a noise barrier that wraps around and extends westwards along the corner of the access road in the vicinity of survey point LT2. From the noise contours (Figure 5.2 Noise Assessment reference 784-B024896 revision 2 dated 12th August 2021) this coincides with an intersection of the noise contours of 50 and 50-60dBLAeq15mins. Survey data from LT2 (Table 4.3 Aug 2021) reports 49.2dBLAeqT for the weekend night time and 46.9dBLAeqT (Table 2.3 Nov 2021). This noise barrier may offer anything up to 8dB reduction in noise.

It is strongly advised that the access road on the eastern side of the proposed development should not be used for HGV vehicle movements around the site and that any fixed plant is placed on the side of the building overlooking the service yard only, rather than on the south eastern corner as illustrated on Figure 5.1 of document reference 784-B024896 dated 4th November 2021.

The applicant should be aware that the local planning authority requires that noise from any external plant in a noise sensitive location to be a minimum of 5dB(A) below the existing background level of noise, with no significant tonal characteristics. This is to ensure that there is no impact on residential amenity and reduces the likelihood of a cumulative increase in background noise from all developments in the area. The applicant should also demonstrate they have considered the 'agent of change' principle in accordance with paragraph 187 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021 and have regard to the ProPG: Planning & Noise Professional Practice Guidance on Planning & Noise and the WHO Guidelines for Community Noise as appropriate.

- 8. The recommended mitigation measures detailed in Air Quality Assessment reference 784-B024896 dated 15th October 2021 by Tetra Tech must be implemented in full during the construction and operational phases, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.
- 9. No development shall take place until a Construction Management Plan (CMP) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The approved CMP shall be adhered to throughout the construction period and the approved measures shall be retained for the duration of the construction works unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The CMP shall detail (but is not limited to) the following:
  - the parking and turning of vehicles of site operatives and visitors;
  - loading and unloading of plant and materials;
  - storage of plant and materials used in constructing the development;
  - the erection and maintenance of security hoarding including decorative displays and facilities for public viewing, where appropriate;
  - details of measures to prevent mud and other such material migrating onto the highway from construction vehicles;
  - wheel washing facilities;
  - measures to control the emission of dust and dirt during construction;
  - a scheme for waste minimisation and recycling/disposing of waste resulting from the construction works.
  - design of construction access
  - hours of construction work
  - measures to control overspill of light from security lighting

The approved CMP shall be adhered to throughout the construction period and the approved measures shall be retained for the duration of the construction works.

Informative: Contractors and sub contractors must have regard to BS 5228-2:2009+A1:2014 "Code of Practice for Noise and Vibration Control on Construction and Open Sites" and the Control of Pollution Act 1974.

Local residents that may be affected by the work shall also be notified in writing, after approval is received from the LPA or Environmental Health.

Works audible at the site boundary outside the approved hours may result in the service of a Notice restricting the hours. Breach of the notice may result in prosecution and fines of up to £5000 plus £50 for each further breach and/or six months imprisonment.

10. There shall be no external illumination on the site at any time other than in accordance with a detailed scheme which shall first have been submitted to and approved by the LPA. The scheme shall include an assessment of the impact of the lighting on the vertical facades of sensitive properties and the measures necessary to reduce the impact. Once approved the scheme shall be implemented in full before first use according to this approval and thereafter maintained in this approved state.

Informative: The external illumination should be designed and installed by competent persons. The system should be designed according to best practice in respect of glare, light spill and efficiency. Advice can be obtained from:

Institution of Lighting Professionals

Regent House, Regent Place, Rugby, Warwickshire, CV21 2PN

Telephone: 01788 576492

Email: info@theilp.org.uk

# LANDSCAPING AND ECOLOGY

- 12.
- Prior to the commencement of any development:
  - details to establish a fair pre-site clearance biodiversity value a. baseline (the 'baseline condition');
  - b. a biodiversity net gain assessment using the Defra 3.1 metric (or successor metric in force at the time of carrying out the assessment) and based on the approved baseline condition; and
  - a biodiversity net gain scheme based on the results of the C. approved biodiversity net gain assessment, to compensate for any identified biodiversity loss, either through onsite mitigation and/or by offsite offsetting, which scheme shall include the timing of the mitigation/offsetting measures, as well as proposals for ongoing management and maintenance for a minimum 30 year

period (the minimum period) and how such management and maintenance shall be secured and funded for the minimum period

shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority

The recommendations of the biodiversity net gain scheme shall be implemented as approved and shall inform the Biodiversity Monitoring Strategy to be approved under condition 13.

Informative: limb (a) of this condition is required to establish the baseline condition before a biodiversity net gain assessment is carried out, because of site clearance and preparatory works carried out prior to grant of permission.

- 13. Prior to the commencement of any development a Biodiversity Monitoring Strategy (BMS) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The BMS shall include the following:
  - d. Identification of the baseline condition approved under condition 12;

e. Aims and objectives of monitoring to match the findings of the approved biodiversity net gain scheme and the stated purpose of the BMS;

f. Appropriate success criteria, thresholds, triggers and targets against which the effectiveness of the various biodiversity net gain measures being monitored can be judged;

g. Methods for data gathering and analysis;

h. Location of monitoring;

i. A timetable for the submission of monitoring reports;

j. Identification of responsible persons and lines of communication; and

k. A timetable for review, and where appropriate, publication of results and outcomes.

A report describing the results of monitoring shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority at intervals identified in the strategy. The report shall also set out (where the results from monitoring show that biodiversity net gain aims and objectives are not being met in accordance with the approved biodiversity net gain scheme) how contingencies and/or remedial action will be identified, agreed with the Local Planning Authority, and then implemented so that the development still delivers the fully functioning biodiversity objectives of the originally approved biodiversity net gain scheme and BMS.

The BMS shall be implemented as approved.

Reason: To ensure that the development makes a contribution towards a net gain in biodiversity across the plan period, in accordance with Policy 4 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

14. No development shall take place (including demolition, ground works, vegetation clearance) until a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP: Biodiversity) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority.

The CEMP (Biodiversity) for that phase or sub-phase or the development as a whole shall include the following:

a) Risk assessment of potentially damaging construction activities

b) Identification of 'biodiversity protection zones'

c) Practical measures (both physical measures and sensitive working practices) to avoid or reduce impacts during construction (may be provided as a set of method statements)

d) The location and timing of sensitive works to avoid harm to biodiversity features
 e) The times during construction when specialist ecologists need to be present on site to oversee works

f) Responsible persons and lines of communication

g) The role and responsibilities on site of an ecological clerk of works (ECoW) or similarly competent person

h) Use of protective fences, exclusion barriers and warning signs.

The approved CEMP shall be adhered to and implemented throughout the construction period strictly in accordance with the approved details, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority.

Reason: To ensure that the development makes a contribution towards a net gain in biodiversity across the plan period, in accordance with Policy 4 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

15. The approved details for soft landscaping, and other landscaping details approved under Condition 3 above (reserved matters) shall be carried out in the first planting and seeding season following the completion of development on the relevant phase and any trees or plants which, within a period of five years from occupation die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased, shall be replaced in the next planting season with others of similar size and species, unless the Local Planning Authority gives written consent to any variation. The approved details shall be thereafter retained.

Reason: To ensure that the appearance of the development is satisfactory in accordance with Policies 3 and 8 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

# <u>HIGHWAYS</u>

16 . Prior to the commencement of any phase of the development, a Construction Traffic Management Plan for that phase or sub-phase shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The Plan shall provide for: i. Detailed work programme/timetable.

ii. Site HGV delivery/removal hours to be limited to between 10:00-16:00 unless otherwise approved as part of the CTMP.

iii. Detailed routeing for demolition, excavation, construction and abnormal loads. iv. Supply of pre-journey information on routing and site restrictions to contractors, deliveries and visitors.

v. Detailed plan showing the location of on-site stores and facilities including the site compound, contractor & visitor parking and turning as well as un/loading point, turning and queuing for HGVs.

vi. Breakdown of number, type, size and weight of vehicles over demolition & construction period.

vii. Details of debris management including location of wheel wash, programme to control debris spill/tracking onto the highway to also include sheeting/sealing of vehicles and dust management.

viii. Details of public impact and protection to include road, footway, cycleway and PRoW.

Details of TROs and road/footway/cycleway/PRoW closures and re-routeing as well as signage, barriers and remediation.

ix. Public liaison position, name, contact details and details of public consultation/liaison.

x. Route details as required covering culverts, waterways, passing places, tracking of bends/junctions and visibility splays.

xi. Pre and post works inspection of the highway between points A and B as requested to identify remediation works to be carried out by the developer. Inspections are to be carried out in the presence of a member of the Highway Authorities Inspection team. To also include the removal of TROs, temporary signage, barriers and diversions. xii. Details of temporary construction accesses and their remediation post project. xiii. Provision for emergency vehicles.

The approved Construction Management Plan shall be adhered to throughout the construction period and the approved measures shall be retained for the duration of the construction.

# DRAINAGE

17. Before any above ground works commence a detailed design of surface water drainage scheme for the site based on sustainable drainage principles and an assessment of the hydrological and hydro geological context of the development should be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The scheme shall subsequently be implemented in accordance with the approved details before the development is completed. The scheme shall include:

i) Details (i.e., designs, diameters, invert and cover levels, gradients, dimensions and so on) of all elements of the proposed drainage system, to include pipes, inspection chambers, outfalls/inlets, and attenuation structures
ii) Details of the drainage system are to be accompanied by full and appropriately cross-referenced supporting calculations.

iii) Cross sections of the control chambers (including site specific levels mAOD) and manufacturers' hydraulic curves should be submitted for all hydrobrakes and other flow control devices.

iv) Detailed scheme for the ownership and scheduled maintenance for every element of the surface water drainage system.

v) Confirmation of site-specific soil conditions.

- 18. All subsequent reserved matters applications for the development plots shall make reference to the original approved Flood Risk Assessment &Sustainable Drainage Strategy, ref Birchington Road FRDA Rev A prepared by Tetra tech and shall be accompanied by a compliance statement with the original approved scheme. In addition, an accompanying revised and updated Flood Risk Assessment with full drainage details shall be submitted with each future reserved matters application, indicating whether any further works are required. Development shall be implemented in accordance with the originally approved scheme, or the updated scheme as approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority pursuant to that application.
- 19. No development shall take place until a detailed scheme for the ownership and maintenance for every element of the surface water drainage system proposed on the site has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority and the maintenance plan shall be carried out in full thereafter. Details are required of which organisation or body will be the main maintaining body where the area is multifunctional (e.g., open space play areas containing SuDS) with evidence that the organisation/body has agreed to such adoption.

The scheme shall include, a maintenance schedule setting out which assets need to be maintained, at what intervals and what method is to be used. A site plan including access points, maintenance access easements and outfalls.

Maintenance operational areas to be identified and shown on the plans, to ensure there is room to gain access to the asset, maintain it with appropriate plant and then handle any arisings generated from the site.

Details of expected design life of all assets with a schedule of when replacement assets may be required.

20. No Occupation shall take place until the Verification Report for the installed surface water drainage system for the site based on the approved Flood Risk Assessment &Sustainable Drainage Strategy, ref Birchington Road FRDA Rev A prepared by Tetra tech has been submitted in writing by a suitably qualified drainage engineer and approved by the Local Planning Authority The report shall include:

a) Any departure from the agreed design is keeping with the approved principles

b) Any As-Built Drawings and accompanying photos

c) Results of any Performance testing undertaken as a part of the application process (if required / necessary)

d) Copies of any Statutory Approvals, such as Land Drainage Consent for Discharges etc.

e) CCTV Confirmation that the surface water drainage system is free from defects, damage, and foreign objects

f) Confirmation of adoption or maintenance agreement for all SuDS elements as detailed within the drainage strategy is in place

No building works which comprise the erection of a building required to be served by water services shall be undertaken until full details of a scheme including phasing, for the provision of mains foul sewage infrastructure on and off site has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. No building shall be occupied until the works have been carried out in accordance with the approved scheme.

- 22. Within 6 months of occupation of the development the following information shall be provided to the Local Planning Authority in respect of that building, unless otherwise agreed in writing: a BREEAM post construction report to confirm that BREEAM very good (2018), (or the equivalent standard which replaces the British Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Method which is to be the assessment when the buildings concerned are to be assessed) and that the recommended Low and Zero Carbon technologies have been installed.
- 23. Prior to the commencement of the relevant part of the development, the details of the boundary treatments (including details of the fences, gates, bollards and turnstiles) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. This should include a copy of the supplier's technical instructions, showing the type of fence panels and posts being proposed, and the style and locking mechanisms for the gates and turnstiles. The approved details shall be implemented and retained thereafter.

24. No development other than groundworks and the erection of the steel frame shall take place until a scheme and timetable detailing the provision of the fire hydrants, sprinkler systems and their associated infrastructure has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The fire hydrants, sprinkler systems and associated infrastructure shall thereafter be provided in accordance with the approved scheme and timetable.

Informative: With reference to Condition above, the developer will be expected to meet the full costs of supplying and installing the fire hydrant, sprinkler system and associated infrastructure.

25. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (or any Order revising, revoking and reenacting that Order with or without modification) or provisions of the Use Classes Order (England) 1987 (as amended), no other uses other than those hereby approved (B8 with ancillary office use) shall be carried out at the application premises. No extensions, new buildings or structures or additional hard surfaced areas shall be constructed or erected without further planning permission.

(Members voted on the officers' recommendation to approve the application)

(Voting: Unanimous)

The application was therefore APPROVED

# 77 Delegated Officers Report

None

# 78 Exempt Items

None

# 79 Close of Meeting

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm

Chair

Date



# North Northamptonshire Strategic Planning Committee 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Application	NC/22/00294/DPA
number:	
Case Officer	Fidel Miller
Location	Land North of Gretton Road, Corby, Northamptonshire, NN17 3AS
Development	Erection of logistics warehouse with associated offices, car parking,
	landscaping, engineering, drainage and infrastructure works,
	including creation of new access onto Corby North Orbital Road
Applicant	Mulberry Commercial Developments (Midlands) Limited
Agent	Pegasus Group
Ward	Corby Rural Ward
Overall Expiry Date	17/10/2022
Agreed Extension	28/02/2022
of Time	

# 1. List of Appendices

# Appendix A – Site Location Plan

# 2. Scheme of Delegation

2.1. This application is brought to committee because it falls outside of the Council's Scheme of Delegation because there are material objections to the proposal and comes before the Strategic Planning Committee for determination.

# 3. **Recommendation**

3.1. That planning permission be APPROVED subject to conditions and legal agreement.



# 4. **Proposal**

- 4.1. The proposed development involves the erection of a logistics storage and distribution facility (Use classes B2, B8 and E(g)(i) with a gross area of 45,000sqm. The building would have a rectangular footprint predominantly consisting of open warehouse with associated office accommodation in the southwestern end with hub offices centrally sited to the north and south. The overall dimensions of the building would be 335m(L) x 132m(W) with two bays of 13 dock levellers set in each of the northern and southern sides. The associated office accommodation would be set across three floors while the hub offices would be two storeys in height. The main building would be of low pitch bay construction, providing an internal haunch height of 18m and a maximum height of 21m.
- 4.2. In terms of the external appearance of the warehouse the building would be finished in trapezoidal profile cladding, with the main walling being of Hamlet RAK 9002 colour, with contrasting Anthracite Dark RAL 7016 and Pure Grey RAL 000 55 00 for the loading dock doors and banding elements. The elevations would also feature Horizontal flat/micro rib panel cladding in Colour Blue Sargasso RAL 5003 and Pure Grey RAL 7016. The roof is proposed to be Goosewing Grey. The Horizontal flat/micro rib panel cladding in Colour Blue Sargasso RAL 5003 and Pure Grey RAL 7016. The roof is proposed to be Goosewing Grey. The Horizontal flat/micro rib panel cladding in Colour Blue Sargasso RAL 5003 and Pure Grey RAL 7016 along with external treated Glulam feature columns. The scheme would also include the provision of photovoltaic panels on sections of the main roof.
- 4.3. The vehicular access point is proposed to the west of the application site and would provide access for employees, HGVs and visitors. A separate pedestrian/ cycle connection at the eastern corner of the car park would also be created. A new 'T' junction onto the Corby Northern Orbital Road (CNOR) would be formed to enable access. The northern stub arm of the roundabout to the immediate south of the site would not be used as the main vehicular access and the stub access be removed to enable additional planting.
- 4.4. To the west of the site 388 parking spaces would be provided within the employee and visitor car park along with accessibility and electric vehicle charging points provided within this quantum. 16 motorcycle parking spaces would be provided along with 100 dedicated cycle parking spaces adjacent to the pedestrian access point.



- 4.5. In respect to HGV parking and manoeuvring, space would be provided within the yard area surrounding the warehouse. 111 HGV spaces, 11 trailer spaces and 17 van spaces would be laid in several parking bays across three locations along the north and southern boundaries of the application site.
- 4.6. The woodland boundary along the northern side of the site would be retained and supplemented by new woodland planting with an additional woodland buffer consisting of 600 trees would be created to the eastern and southern sides of the site to provide a degree of screening in relation to the Weldon Lodge Heritage Asset.
- 4.7. A grassland tree planted landscape would be created along the main frontage of the site adjacent to Gretton Road. Further areas of amenity planting around the corners of the main warehouse are also proposed.
- 4.8. In respect to the provision of sustainable drainage, a new attenuation pond is proposed to the north-eastern side of the site, which would incorporate areas of marginal planting and provide a further buffer to this aspect.

# 5. Site Description:

- 5.1. The application site is located within the defined settlement boundary for the Growth Town of Corby to the northeast and has an area of 12.06 Hectares. The site is identified as Rockingham Gateway at land to the North of Gretton Road.
- 5.2. The site features undeveloped shrub and grasslands and is relatively flat with higher ground levels along its southern boundary. Along the northern boundary there is a dense woodland area which slopes down to the Willow Brook which separates the application site from the disused Rockingham Speedway further to the north. The woodland continues around the eastern boundary of the site which is shared with the Grade II listed Weldon Lodge which is currently in a state of disrepair. Gretton Road continues around the southern boundary of the site and connects to a four-armed round about which forms part of phase 1 of the CNOR and terminates further to the west adjacent to the BCA storage facility on the Steel Road. There exists a drainage lagoon to the western section of the site along with sections of vacant shrublands.
- 5.3. Framed within the context of the northern four-armed roundabout of the CNOR the surrounding area features a mix of undeveloped land to south, commercial premises (storage and distribution facilities) further to the south and residential development to



the east currently being delivered within Zone 1 of the Priors Hall Sustainable Urban Extension (SUE).

- 5.4. Highway infrastructure within the area consists of various components of the incomplete CNOR. The southern arm of the northern roundabout links to a feeder road and onwards to a second four-armed roundabout connecting the A6116 and Birchington Road near the Morrison's Distribution warehouse. The eastern arm provides through access into Prior Hall Park.
- 5.5. The application site is subject to the following planning policy designations:
  - Rockingham Enterprise Area (Strategic Sites)
  - Adjacent to the Urban Area Boundary
  - Neighbourhood Green Infrastructure Corridor
  - Indicative Local Green Corridor
  - UK BAP Priority Habitats
  - Nene Valley Nature Improvement Area
  - Rockingham Forest for Life

### 6. **Relevant Planning History:**

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Reference	Description	Date approved	Location
05/00119/OUT	Outline application for	06/09/2007	Land At The North Side
	development of B1/B2 and		Of Birchington Road
	B8 uses, including		Corby
	infrastructure works		Northamptonshire
04/00216/DPA	Freezer warehouse with	06/12/2004	Land At The North Side
	associated staff facilities,		Of Birchington Road
	service yard and car parking		Weldon North Industrial
			Estate Corby Northants
04/00416/DPA	Freezer warehouse unit with	01/04/2004	Land At The North Side
	associated staff amenity		Of Birchington Road
	facilities, service yard and		Weldon North Industrial
	car parking		Estate Corby Northants
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18/02062/FUL	The change of use of	17/01/2018	Rockingham Motor
	Rockingham Motor		Speedway Mitchell
	Speedway for automotive		Road Corby
	logistics, including open		Northamptonshire
	storage of vehicles, vehicle		NN17 5AF
	parts and refurbishment of		
	vehicles (Use Class B8). In		
	addition permission is also		
	sought for the removal of the		
	external (open air) speedway		
	stands		
NC/21/00366/	Outline application (with all	Presented to strategic	Land At The North Side
OUT	matters other than access	planning committee on	Of Birchington Road,
	reserved) for the	17/10/2022. Officer	Corby,
	development of up to 45,000	approval	Northamptonshire
	square metres (sq.m) of B8	recommendation	
	warehousing/logistics	accepted by members	
	premises with ancillary office	and delegated authority	
	space and associated	to determine	
	infrastructure	application has been	
		given officers pending	
		final LHA comments.	

# 7. Consultation Responses:

6.1. The following is a summary of key consultee comments on the application. A full copy of all comments received can be found on the Council's public access system however a summary is provided below:

### 6.2. Internal consultees

Consultee	Comments
Planning policy	There is a framework for supporting the proposed development subject to addressing technical criteria.
Trees and landscaping	Green Infrastructure Plan and the general layout for new planting appears to be acceptable however detailed planting plan required in order to fully assess the proposed scheme.



Local Highways	The LHA identified 6:
Authority	- Redline boundary matter has been addressed.
	- Highway safety concerns in relation to right in and left
	out approach arrangements, Road safety audit required.
	- Access junction drawings unclear.
	$\circ$ 2 x bus stops should be provided. Shelter should also
	be provided with a commuted sum for maintenance.
	$\circ$ Lack of pedestrian provision along Gretton Road
	south. S106 contributions required to secure
	upgrades to pedestrian crossing points on Birchington
	Road.
	<ul> <li>Accident data required to fully assess future safety of</li> </ul>
	all road users.
	- Development proposals
	• Additional parking spaces required for the E(g)(i)
	element circa 108 spaces. 10 of these will need to
	be disabled parking spaces. Cycle parking should
	be provided for the E(g)(i) element in addition to the
	B8 element. 33 staff cycle spaces should be
	provided.
	- 10% electric vehicle charging facilities required with
	infrastructure to retrofit the remaining spaces in future.
	- Trip Attraction
	$\circ$ applicant has failed to provide how they have
	distributed the trips on the network to the site from
	residential areas.
	<ul> <li>Traffic assignment in vehicles and HGV as part of the</li> </ul>
	traffic impact assessment is requested.
	- Highway/junction capacity
	- Further information required for assessment with respect
	to various junctions. Junction 2 inconsistency between
	the flow diagram and table.
	Following technical exchanges with the applicant's
	highways expert the LHA have confirmed that their



	concerns have been addressed subject to conditions and
	s106 contributions.
Developer	No objection suggested informative in relations to superfast
contributions	broadband guidance.
LLFA	Following technical exchanges with the applicant Drainage
	engineer the LLFA have confirmed that their concerns have
	been addressed subject to conditions.
Environmental	- Air quality - no objection following revisions.
Services	- Noise impact acceptable.
Conservation	Proposed development would cause harm to the Heritage
	Asset. The building would benefit from a considered
	renovation and refurbishment plan to return it to habitable
	condition.
Ecology	On site biodiversity net gain not achieved, offsite
	contributions required to deliver net gain contributions. No
	objections subject to conditions. Works affecting great
	crested newts shall be in accordance with Regulation 55 of
	The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017
	(or any legislation modifying or replacing this provision).
Archaeological	The site has been subject to historic quarrying consequently
Advisor	the archaeological potential of the site is negligible

# 6.3. External consultees

Consultee	Comments
Anglian Water	No objection subject to conditions and informative.
Crime prevention	No objection subject to the implementation of detailed
and community	measures indicated in amended plans.
protection	
Newt Officer	No objection subject to conditions.



Northamptonshire	Objection – the developer is encouraged to provide onsite
Wildlife Trust	biodiversity net gain as opposed to contributing to an offsite
	habitat bank.
Environment	No objection subject to a condition requiring a remediation
agency	strategy to be submitted in the event that contamination is
	identified throughout development.
Historic England	No comments.
County Fire	No comments
Officer	
Natural England	No comments or response.
Weldon Parish	Objection
Council	- Oversupply of employment land
	- Health Impact Assessment not submitted originally (this
	has now been submitted)
	- Air quality assessment not available for review at time of
	representation (this has now been made public).
	- Cycle use and pedestrian friendly environment
	promotion not adequately outlined in the transport
	statement.
	- Electric and other low emission forms of transport not
	adequately addressed.
	- Lack of visual amenity and sound insulation from
	residents in the way of Green Infrastructure (S106
	contributions suggested for the delivery of this).
	- Proposed development out of proportion for its plot
	resulting in 90% plot coverage, 50% of the site should
	be retained for green infrastructure and soft landscaping.
	- Proximity to Grade II listed building Weldon Lodge.
	- 25m in height comparable to 9 storeys in height which is
	excessive.
	- Proximity to the residential properties on Osprey Drive
	near the southeast corner of the proposed development
	would result in noise pollution.



- Proximity of HGV parking to residential properties on
Hobby Drive would result in noise pollution and visual
obtrusion.
- Suggested noise level exceeded limits should be
adopted for all boundaries facing residential areas
including southern and eastern boundaries.
- Brindle and Green Illustrative Green Infrastructure Plan
Woodland buffer would not enhance the green
infrastructure corridor contrary to policy 6 of the P2LP.
- Excessive footprint further increase in separation
distance from the eastern boundary is required.
- Concern over harm to established ecosystem.
- Non-compliance for emerging Part 2 Local Plan for
Corby.
- Harm to residents and existing ecosystems.
- Siting of commercial vehicle activity inappropriate.

# 6.4. Publications

Site Notice:	A site notice was placed outside of the site on 09/08/2022
Press Notice:	Notice was placed in the Evening Telegraph on 11/08/2022

# 6.5. Neighbouring occupiers

Neighbour Notification	
397 neighbouring occupiers were consulted and 32 representations were received	
both objecting and supporting the proposed development. Full details of	
representations made can be found on the Council's Public Access system,	
however, these have also been summarised below:	
Representation	



### Objecting:

- Proximity to Priors Hall Residential Development Site.
- Too high.
- Inadequate Green Infrastructure proposed.
- Pollution from commercial vehicle operation.
- Light pollution
- Lack of Regard for onsite biodiversity enhancement.
- Detrimental impact on visual and landscape amenity.
- Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment inadequate.
- Woodland Buffer insufficient.
- Out of scale with nearby residential units.
- Out of character with the area.
- Harm to the Grade II listed building, public benefits do not outweigh harm.
- Noise pollution compounded by its potential to operate 24/7.
- Details such as acoustic barriers should be provided prior to determination.
- Impact should be considered in conjunction with impact of application NC/21/00366/OUT.
- Air pollution
- Pedestrian and Cycle path enhancements required.
- Impact on Great Crested Newts inadequately considered.
- Harm to residential amenity.
- Baseline noise level should not take the Morrisions facility into account as it has been identified as a statutory nuisance.
- Public Health Impacts should be taken into account.
- Increased road traffic and waste.
- Loss of views.
- Surplus number of warehouses in Corby.



- Not enough jobs will be created as a result of automation.
- Loss of Habitat.
- Loss of privacy.
- Excessive, bulk, mass and scale.
- Overshadowing.
- Inadequate community involvement in the development of the proposal.
- Stub end of the roundabout will not be utilized.
- Pedestrian access inadequately considered.
- No access to adopted highway.
- Bus link improvements needed.
- Highway safety concerns.
- Sapling trees proposed.

Priors Hall neighbours' association.

Supporting:

- The proposed development is needed.
- The proposal would secure Corby as a prosperous enterprise area for employment and regeneration.
- Traffic and noise impacts will be within an acceptable tolerance.

Noise impact assessment does not take Morrisons into account.

### 8. Relevant Planning Policies and Considerations

### 8.1. <u>Statutory Duty</u>

- 8.1.1. Section 54A of the Town and Country Planning (1990) (as amended) states "Where in, making any determination under the Planning Acts, regard is to be had to the development plan, the determination shall be made in accordance with the Plan unless material consideration indicate otherwise." This correlates with Section 38(6) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.
- 8.2. <u>National Policy</u>



- The key parts of the NPPF (2021) in relation to this proposal are as follows:
- Chapter 2 Achieving sustainable development
- Chapter 4 Decision-making
- Chapter 6 Building a strong competitive economy
- Chapter 8 Promoting health and safe communities
- Chapter 9 Promoting sustainable transport
- Chapter 11 Making effective use of land
- Chapter 12 Achieving well-designed places
- Chapter 14 Meeting the challenge of climate change, flooding and coastal change
- Chapter 15 Conserving and enhancing the natural environment
- Chapter 16 Conserving and enhancing the historic environment
- 8.3. Local Plan Policies
- 8.3.1. The following development plan policies are considered relevant for this application:

#### 8.3.1.1. North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy (JCS) 2016

- Policy 1 (Presumption in favour of Sustainable Development)
- Policy 3 (Landscape Character)
- Policy 4 (Biodiversity and Geodiversity)
- Policy 5 (Water Environment, Resources and Flood Risk Management)
- Policy 6 (Development on Brownfield Land and Land affected by contamination)
- Policy 8 (North Northamptonshire Place Shaping Principles)
- Policy 9 (Sustainable Buildings)
- Policy 10 (Provision of Infrastructure)
- Policy 11 (The Network of Urban and Rural Areas)
- Policy 15 (Well-connected Towns, Villages and Neighbourhoods)
- Policy 18 (HGV Parking)
- Policy 19 (Delivery of Green Infrastructure)
- Policy 22 (Delivering Economic Prosperity)
- Policy 23 (Distribution of New Jobs)
- Policy 24 (Logistics)
- Policy 25 (Rural Economic Development and Diversification)
- Policy 27 (Rockingham MRC Enterprise Area)

### 8.3.1.2. Part 2 Local Plan (2021)

- Policy 2 Health and Wellbeing
- Policy 6 Green Infrastructure Corridors

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### 8.3.1.3. Other Guidance

- Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) 2017
- Biodiversity SPD 2013
- Sustainable Design Supplementary Planning Document 2009
- Northamptonshire Highway Development Management Strategy 2013
- Rockingham Development Framework (RDF)
- Landscape character assessment 2010
- National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG)
- National Design Guide (NDG) (2019)

### 8.4. Development Plan:

- 8.4.1. Section 38(6) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 provides that if regard is to be had to the development plan for the purpose of any determination to be made under the Planning Acts, the determination must be made in accordance with the plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise. Section 70(2)(a) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 provides that in dealing with an application for planning permission a LPA shall have regard to the provisions of the development plan, so far as material to the application. The NNJCS is the strategic Part 1 Local Plan for Corby, East Northamptonshire, Kettering and Wellingborough. It is a development plan for the purposes of Section 38(6) and Section 70(2) and is the starting point for the LPA's decision-making in connection with this application.
- 8.4.2. The NNJCS outlines 'the big picture' for the area that is then developed in more detail through the Part 2 Local Plans prepared by the District and Borough Councils and by Neighbourhood Plans prepared by Neighbourhood Planning Groups. The Part 2 Local Plans and Neighbourhood Plans are also development plans for the purposes of Section 38(6) and Section 70(2).
- 8.4.3. The Part 2 Local Plan for Corby (2011-2031) was formally adopted at North Northamptonshire's Full Council Meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2021. This sets out the non-strategic development allocations and a number of detailed policies to manage development in line with the vision, strategy and strategic policies of the NNJCS.



- 8.4.4. Policies in both the Part 1 (NNJCS) and the Part 2 (Corby) Local Plans are considered below, alongside policies in the National Planning Policy Framework, which is a material planning consideration.
  - 9. <u>TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT)</u> <u>REGULATIONS 2017</u>
- 9.1.1. North Northamptonshire Council has concluded the details for a screening response under Part 3, Regulation 8. The proposed development does not fall within the types of development listed under Schedule 1 of the EIA Regulations for which and Environmental Impact Assessment is mandatory. the relevant section of Schedule 2 for this application is Column 1, (10) (a) Industrial Estate Development Projects, which in Column 2 has a threshold of 0.5 hectares for a site area.
- 9.1.2. As such the proposal would need to be assessed against the criteria set out in Schedule 3 of the EIA Regulations, which relate to 'Characteristics of Development', 'Location of Development' and 'Types and Characteristics of the Potential Impact'. This has been outlined within the matrix available on the public access system which concludes that an EIA is not required in this instance and that a negative screening opinion is issued.

# 10. Evaluation:

- 10.1. Key issues for consideration are:
  - Principle of Development
  - Employment
  - Landscape and Visual Impact and related design considerations
  - Heritage, Conservation and Archaeology
  - Ecology and Nature Conservation
  - Highways and Traffic Issues
  - Flood Risk and Drainage
  - Health Impacts
  - Sustainability
  - Air Quality, Noise and Vibration
  - Ground conditions and contamination
  - Residential Amenity impacts and Crime prevention
  - Planning obligations



Conditions

### 11. **Principle of Development:**

- 11.1. One of the key aims of the NNJCS is 'to make North Northamptonshire more self-reliant by achieving a sustainable balance between local jobs and workers and a more prosperous and diverse economy.' The NNJCS has a 'challenging' target of 31,100 net additional jobs for the period 2011-2031. Officers have had regard to this overarching objective and target in their consideration of the principle of development proposed.
- 11.2. Policy 1 of the NNJCS is clear that when considering development proposals, the LPA will take a positive approach that reflects the presumption in favour of sustainable development in the NPPF (Paragraph 11). This requires:

c) approving development proposals that accord with an up-to-date development plan without delay; or

d) where there are no relevant development plan policies, or the policies which are most important for determining the application are out-of-date, granting permission unless: the application of policies in this Framework that protect areas or assets of particular importance provides a clear reason for refusing the development proposed; or any adverse impacts of doing so would significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits, when assessed against the policies in this Framework taken as a whole.

- 11.3. In this case, officers consider that the principle of development accords with the development plan, as well as the Government's broader growth agenda, as set out below.
- 11.4. Chapter 6 of the NPPF 2021 provides that the Government is committed to securing economic growth. Paragraph 81 states that significant weight should be placed on the need to support economic growth and productivity, taking into account both local business needs and wider opportunities for development.
  - 11.5. Policy 11 of the joint Core Strategy sets out the distribution of development with a strong focus on the Grown Towns for infrastructure investment and higher order facilities to support major employment development. Policies 22, 23 and 24 of the



NNJCS address some of the themes in Chapter 6 of the NPPF and are particularly relevant to this application. In broad terms, these seek to safeguard existing employment uses and provide for a diverse economy.

- 11.6. Policy 22 of the JCS safeguards existing and committed employment sites unless it can be demonstrated that there is no reasonable prospect of the site being used for that purpose and/or an alternative use would meet certain criteria. In addition, the opportunities provided by the priority sectors, including logistics, are recognised to support the jobs targets. Policy 23 outlines net job growth target in all sectors, the target for Corby specifically is 9.700 over the plan period. Policy 24 relates to logistics and it supports proposals that comply with the spatial strategy, facilitate the delivery of a mix of jobs and are of the highest viable standards of design and sustainability, as well as comply with certain criteria, including provision of a proportion of floorspace in the form of smaller employment units over 9300sqm subject to market demand and viability, good access to the strategic road network, highest possible standards of design and environmental performance and locations that allow 24-hour operations with acceptable environmental, community and landscape impact.
- 11.7. The supporting paragraphs to Policy 24 (logistics) highlights that North Northamptonshire's central location and excellent strategic road connections has made it a centre for the logistics (B8) industry with a substantial increase in the stock of buildings over the last 10 years. Technical studies and market analysis have identified that this sector remains strong and that failure to meet this demand in North Northamptonshire through the provision of suitable sites will lead to activity being displaced away from the area and opportunities to capture investment, unlock other uses and the potential for high quality investment will be lost. Officers have had regard to the benefits of capturing inward investment from logistics development, as per the aspirations of Policy 24. For the reasons outlined above officers consider that the development accords with the detailed criteria in Policy 24, as well as its broader employment-generation aspirations.
- 11.8. The site is within the defined urban settlement boundary for the Growth Town of Corby and forms part of the Rockingham Enterprise Area designated within the adopted North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy. Policy 27 of the Joint Core Strategy states that Development proposals must include a land remediation strategy for the


decontamination of the site and should demonstrate how, subject to viability, the proposal will contribute towards infrastructure requirements for the Enterprise Area such as phase 2 of the Northern Orbital Road. The Enterprise Area will be a focus for employment development within and beyond the plan period and proposals will be supported where they deliver a mix of high-quality employment, particularly in priority employment sectors. The policy includes a series of place shaping principles to guide the development of the site for employment use.

## 11.9. Table 1.0 (Consideration against policy 27 place shaping principles).

Principle	Complies?
The creation of a landscaped spine to the development along the route of the Northern Orbital Road, which allows for pedestrian and cycle movements; Clear definition of public and private	Planting is proposed along the southern boundary of the application site which contributes to the partial landscaping of the CNOR by creating green visual stop. On balance it is therefore considered that the proposed development would comply with this standard.
space, with frontages facing onto the main routes where feasible, and high quality public realm and landscape treatment to help create a strong and identifiable image for the area;	standard.
The establishment of a strong green infrastructure corridor along the Willow Brook, which connects to the Gretton Brook. The corridor will act as a natural habitat, whilst at the same time forming a pedestrian and cycling route through the development, linking Corby town centre and Priors Hall;	The proposed development would not undermine the green infrastructure corridor along the Willow Brook. However a pedestrian and cycling route through the development would not be delivered the proposed development would not comply with this standard.
The creation of a landscape/green infrastructure corridor along the Gretton Brook which provides an opportunity for wildlife connections into the plantation as well as along the stream course itself; Ensuring that the development protects, and where possible, enhances the setting of Weldon Lodge and heritage assets and setting at Kirby Hall;	N/A As a result of the proposed development the setting of the Weldon Lodge (currently in a state of disrepair) will be protected and enhanced.



Provision of a small local centre within the	N/A
site to provide small scale service or	
convenience shopping facilities to cater	
for employees within the area.	

- 11.10. Overall, the development of this employment site is welcomed in principle; however, compliance with other relevant policies of the Development Plan will be assessed to determine the acceptability of the scheme. Policy 1 of the JCS states that development should contribute to delivering the Plan Vision and Outcomes through compliance with the relevant policies of this Plan. Development that conflicts with policies of the Plan will be refused unless material considerations indicate otherwise.
- 11.11. Due consideration has been given to part 6, Article 32 of the DMPO 2015 (as amended) which states that a local planning authority may subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by directions given by the Secretary of State under this Order, grant permission for development which does not accord with the provisions of the development plan in force in the area in which the land to which the application relates is situated. In this context officers have attributed significant weight to the socio-economic benefits of the development, in terms of its ability to generate inward investment into Corby and to secure future jobs which is material consideration.

## 12. Employment

- 12.1. Policy 22 Delivering Economic Prosperity stresses the need for safeguarding the existing and committed employment sites which are of the right quality and suitably located in relation to infrastructure and neighbouring uses. The Plan also aims to ensure that, as a minimum, North Northamptonshire delivers enough new jobs for the labour force arising from planned population growth, plus additional jobs in the southern area to help reduce levels of out commuting.
- 12.2. The significant potential of this area has been recognised in a number of technical studies including the Rockingham Development Framework (RDF) endorsed by Corby and East Northamptonshire Councils in 2011, and in the Northamptonshire Enterprise Partnership's 2015 bid for the designation of an Enterprise Zone. The partners are continuing to promote the economic potential of the area. Policy 27 provides a positive planning framework to help achieve this.



- 12.3. The Application Site forms part of the proposed Rockingham Enterprise Area (REA). Policy 27 provides flexibility for a range of employment uses to come forward in response to market demands. The above policy also identifies significant opportunities to deliver high performance technologies and future vehicle technologies by attracting motorsport/automotive sector businesses. The Enterprise Area is also well placed to support other priority economic sectors including logistics and food and drink. The development of the Enterprise Area to its full potential is a long-term opportunity that will be delivered during and beyond the plan period and consequently the Plan is not reliant on the delivery of the site to meet its minimum jobs targets.
- 12.4. However, the policy stresses the need for demonstrating how the development of individual parcels of land relate or connect to the wider area, contributing to the delivery of the place-shaping principles and ensuring they do not prejudice the delivery of other development within the Enterprise Area.
- 12.5. The net developable area within the development framework area extends to some 228 hectares of land (i.e. 75% of the gross land area), which constitutes a significant employment area. The Rockingham development framework assumes the following for the B-class employment uses: B1 offices 20% site coverage, B1c light industrial/B2 40% site coverage and B8 warehousing 40% site coverage. The proposed development falls within these parameters. The proposed development would not align with the spatial parameters of the Concept Plans contained within the RDF. However the applicant has produced additional highway information in support of their case to seek to demonstrate that the proposal would not undermine the delivery of the identified catalyst Rockingham Speedway Site which is currently not in use (see drawing no. RS01-PHP-XX-XX-DR-A-4543-012-P1).
- 12.6. The proposed development would result in 100% (45,000m2) B8 use (Storage and distribution/Warehouse) with ancillary office uses and associated infrastructure. In terms of the FTE jobs generated by this supply of employment land, the RDF assumes a density of 1no warehousing job per 88 sqm GIA. The proposed development upon completion and occupation would create up to 725 FTE jobs along with somewhere in the region of a minimum of 520 part time jobs during the construction period. The proposed development would on the basis of the information submitted be consistent with this standard. The site is allocated within an up-to-date development plan for employment use. The proposed scheme for the employment development is therefore



in accordance with the NPPF 2021. Part 2 Local Plan policy also supports deliverable employment sites and encourages employment diversity.

- 12.7. An Economic Benefits Statement was submitted in support of this application. It considers the current contribution of the logistics sector to the national and regional economy and quantifies the economic benefits associated with the proposed development. The report found that the logistics sector in North Northamptonshire currently supports 22,000 jobs and accounts for 14% of total employment. Between 2015 and 2022 there was a growth rate of 11,000 making it the fastest growing sector in North Northamptonshire.
- 12.8. With due regard to the above outlined trends officers acknowledge that concerns have been raised over the overprovision of storage and distribution facilities within the Corby. While the existence of smaller storage and distribution facilities is acknowledged consideration has been given to the limited provision of larger individual warehousing units for which there is also local demand. It is considered that the proposed development would be a suitable response to this demand.
- 12.9. Paragraph 80 of the NPPF states that planning decisions should help create the conditions in which businesses can invest, expand and adapt. Significant weight should be placed on the need to support economic growth and productivity, taking into account both local business needs and wider opportunities for development. The Framework in Para 82 states that planning decisions should recognise and address the specific locational requirements of different sectors.
- 12.10. In the light of the above, it is considered that the proposed development would support the economic growth and productivity by taking into account both local needs and wider opportunities for development. The proposed development would contribute towards the significant employment needs of the wider area. Therefore, the proposed scheme conforms with the NPPF in building a strong, competitive economy and the objectives of the above outlined policies. Moreover, the Rockingham Enterprise Area (REA) will go beyond the plan period and is not expected to contribute to employment delivery targets within the development plan.

## 13. Design, Visual and Landscape Considerations

13.1. Policy 27 of the JCS 2016 relates to the REA and aims to provide flexibility for a range of employment uses to come forward in response to market demands. Policy 27



stresses the need for demonstrating how the development of individual parcels of land relate or connect to the wider area, contributing to the delivery of the place-shaping principles and ensuring they do not prejudice the delivery of other development within the Enterprise Area.

- 13.2. Policy 8 of the JCS 2016 stresses the need for creating distinctive local character by responding to the site's immediate and wider context and local character to create new streets, spaces and buildings which draw on the best of that local character without stifling innovation.
- 13.3. JCS Policy 3 sets out the importance of existing landscape character, to retain distinctive qualities where possible. Criteria b) states development should make provision for the retention and where possible enhancement of features of landscape importance. The above policies seek to minimise the environmental impacts through sensitive design to reduce the impact on the landscape, townscape and wider setting and by achieving the highest possible standards of design and environmental performance.

## **Design considerations**

- 13.4. The gross site area is 15.07ha (150,700sqm) with a net site area of 12.06ha (120600sqm). The distribution warehouse would have an area of 43,700sqm, the office element including the central hub would comprise 660sqm. The building would have a rectangular footprint with an east west axis with four loading docks with 13 dock levellers set in each of the northern and southern sides. The associated office accommodation would be set across three floors while the hub offices would be four storeys in height.
- 13.5. The proposed development does not involve the use of the fourth arm of the in situ roundabout. It is understood that it is the intention of the applicant to remove the northern stub arm of the roundabout to enable the introduction of landscaping. The existing four-armed roundabout is identified as a main node along the CNOR within the RDF. The frontages of parcels surrounding this node have been identified as primary frontages while the current northern stub arm would feed into the central boulevard forming a secondary Road leading to the Rockingham Motor Sports facility. While the siting of the proposed development would obstruct this route the above outlined policy framework allows for flexibility to respond to market conditions and demand. Moreover, weight is given to the socio-economic benefits that the proposed development would



deliver in terms of job creation and investment into Corby. Furthermore, as outlined in section 11.5 of this report drawing no.RS01-PHP-XX-XX-DR-A-4543-012-P1 demonstrates that the proposed development would not necessarily undermine the delivery and operation of the Rockingham speedway site which is a catalyst site within the REA. For these reasons it is considered that on balance its siting and quantum of development in this location would be acceptable, subject to other factors such as highway safety.

- 13.6. The main building would be of low pitch bay construction, providing an internal haunch height of 18m from the finished floor level and 21m from the external ground level. The RDF outlined the potential form of development across the allocation but noted that the exact scale of the employment would be tested through the planning process.
- 13.7. The RDF sets out building height parameters, which have been determined based on visibility constraints in terms of building prominence in the wider landscape (e.g. Kirby Hall and the rural landscape on the eastern edge of Corby). It is indicated that the maximum height of buildings of the subject site at the time should not exceed 16.5m. The proposed development would exceed these parameters; however, it is considered to be within an acceptable tolerance mitigated by the landscape screening. This involves a woodland buffer (see drawing no.BG21.387.16 BG21.387.16-BRGR-ZZ-ZZ-DR-L-00001 Revision P01), along with the separation distances explored in section 21 of this report and the visual and landscape considerations further explored within this section.
- 13.8. In terms of the external appearance of the warehouse the building would be finished in trapezoidal profile cladding, with the main walling being of Hamlet RAK 9002 colour, with contrasting Anthracite Dark RAL 7016 and Pure Grey RAL 000 55 00 for the loading dock doors and banding elements. The elevations would also feature Horizontal flat/micro rib panel cladding in Colour Blue Sargasso RAL 5003 and Pure Grey RAL 7016. The roof is proposed to be Goosewing Grey. The e Horizontal flat/micro rib panel cladding in Colour Blue Sargasso RAL 5003 and Pure Grey RAL 7016 along with external treated Glulam feature columns. The scheme would also include the provision of photovoltaic panels on sections of the main roof saving energy.
- 13.9. The proposed development would be typical of modern logistics buildings. The proposed development is consistent with the surrounding pattern of development given its siting adjacent to the former motor racing circuit to the north, the Lloyds Horizon Data centre to the east. Plus, the extensive built form of Willowbrook East Industrial Estate. Taken



together with screening provided by the woodland buffer the proposal would not be a significant detraction in this regard. Visual and landscaping impacts will be explored in the following part of this section of the report. The relationship between the application proposal and Weldon Lodge is explored in section 13 of this report.

### Visual and Landscape considerations

- 13.10. The woodland boundary along the northern side of the site would be retained and supplemented by new woodland planning with an additional woodland buffer created to the eastern side of the site to provide a degree of screening in relation to the Weldon Lodge Heritage Asset. In support of the application, the applicant submitted a Landscape and Visual Appraisal (LVApp) which considers key viewpoints; the degree of likely impact and who would be affected by that impact; and the suitability of the mitigation to reduce or mitigate the harm.
- 13.11. The site falls partly within the Kirby and Gretton Plateau Landscape Character assessment (LCA) and partly within the urban context of Corby. Viewpoints from eleven locations within the zones of theoretical visibility were identified. Four receptor groups were identified: residents, users of recreational routes, users of recreational facilities, users of highways and workers.
- 13.12. In respect to the proposed development's impact on the wider landscape while construction activity is incongruous within the LCA, no other characteristic elements are lost or altered. The effects were considered to be minor adverse at construction, reducing to negligible in year 1 and year 15 of operation as such the extent of the change within the wider LCA is considered to be within an acceptable tolerance. Viewpoints from Gretton Road, kestrel Road and Hobby drive were all identified as having low visual quality and value as the site is unlikely to be visited to experience the view or for its scenic quality.
- 13.13. In respect to visual amenity viewpoints 1, 2, 3 A, B and C the visual assessment indicates that between year 1 and 15 of operation the visual amenity impact to receptor groups is considered to be substantially adverse reducing to moderate adverse by year 15 of operation by reason of the maturing landscape and planting.
- 13.14. In order to reduce the time taken for the for the visual amenity impact to reduce to be reduced to moderate adverse, 45% of the trees within the proposed new landscape area would be semi-mature with heights and girths of 4m and 14cm respectively. Against the



baseline it is acknowledged that the identified moderate adverse impacts will permanently alter the visual amenity of residents to the east. However, this impact would be consistent with the commercial development plan allocation and would be adequately mitigated by reason of virtue of the new landscape area.

- 13.15. Introducing over 600 trees along the eastern and southern boundaries the Green Infrastructure plan would align with the designated parameters outlined in the planning policy proposals map which would provide a suitable framework for the protection and enhancement of Green Infrastructure corridors. The GI framework and its onsite applicability to minimise landscape and visual effects identified in the LVA is therefore considered to be acceptable.
- 13.16. For the reasons considered above the development proposed by reason of its design, scale, siting, and landscape setting would on balance be acceptable and therefore consistence with the objectives of Policies 3, 8 and 27 of the of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy 2016 and advice within NPPF 2021.

## 14. Heritage, Conservation Archaeology

- 14.1. Chapter 16 Para 199 of the NPPF 2021 states when considering the impact of a proposed development on the significance of a designated heritage asset, great weight should be given to the asset's conservation (and the more important the asset, the greater the weight should be). This is irrespective of whether any potential harm amounts to substantial harm, total loss or less than substantial harm to its significance.
- 14.2. Para 202 of the NPPF 2021 states that where a development proposal will lead to less than substantial harm to the significance of a designated heritage asset, this harm should be weighed against the public benefits of the proposal including, where appropriate, securing its optimum viable use.
- 14.3. Policy 2 of the JCS (Historic Environment) states the distinctive North Northamptonshire historic environment will be protected, preserved and, where appropriate, enhanced. Where a development would impact upon a heritage asset and/or its setting: a) Proposals should conserve and, where possible, enhance the heritage significance and setting of an asset or group of heritage assets in a manner commensurate to its significance.



- 14.4. The supporting text of Policy 27 of the JCS states that there is high quality landscape to the north of the Enterprise Area and designated heritage assets to the east of the eastern boundary include the Grade I listed Kirby Hall. Weldon Lodge (Grade II) is located on the edge of the development site on Gretton Road. Applicants will be required to provide appropriate mitigation measures, in accordance with the relevant policies, to protect and enhance these assets and ensure high quality developments. These include controlling noise levels, defining an appropriate maximum height of buildings and introducing well-considered landscaping in accordance with a Landscape Strategy. Further criteria (e) Ensuring that the development protects, and where possible, enhances the setting of Weldon Lodge and heritage assets and setting at Kirby Hall.
- 14.5. This is consistent with the Council's Heritage officer's advice which concludes that In order to enable the long term retention of the Lodge, which is an important and inherent part of the history of Weldon, Corby and Rockingham Forest, the building itself needs to be subject to a complete renovation and repair prior to construction of the new logistics building to further mitigate against any potential vibration damage attributable to the construction phase of the site. Officers consider that it will be important to make the Listed building watertight to prevent further deterioration and be the subject of a schedule of LB works safeguarded by and relevant clauses in a Town and Country Planning Act s106 agreement.
- 14.6. Subject to the above safeguards officers consider the proposed development would result in less than substantial harm to the significance of the designated heritage asset Weldon Lodge. While it is acknowledged that the delivery of the Rockingham Enterprise area would have some impact on the heritage asset provisions policy 27 (e) provides scope for development proposals to provide public benefits to outweigh the harm caused. Within this context it will be necessary to restore the listed building by way of a S106 agreement within 2 years of the approval in the event that planning permission is granted. There is a well established legislative requirement to ensure the protection and enhancement of the heritage asset. Its repair and restoration would represent a public benefit to offset the identified less than substantial harm. The Council's archaeological officers have raised no objections.
- 14.7. For the reasons outlined above the proposed development would be acceptable in respect to heritage, conservation and archaeology.

## 15. Ecology and Nature Conservation



- 15.1. Policy 4 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy protects existing biodiversity and geodiversity assets, including refusing development proposals where significant harm to an asset cannot be avoided, mitigated or, as a last resort, compensated.
- 15.2. Paragraph 179 of NPPF also suggests the need for minimising the impacts on and providing net gains for biodiversity, including by establishing coherent ecological networks that are most resilient to current and future pressures. This approach is further supported by Policy 3 in the adopted plan which requires significant weight to be given to the conservation and enhancement of natural beauty. It also states that minimising impacts on and providing net gains for biodiversity, including by establishing coherent ecological networks that are more resilient to current and future pressures.
- 15.3. Paragraph 180 of NPPF also advocates that if significant harm to biodiversity resulting from a development cannot be avoided (through locating on an alternative site with less harmful impacts), adequately mitigated, or, as a last resort, compensated for, then planning permission should be refused.
- 15.4. Applicant has submitted a Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (PEA) in order to form a baseline assessment along with a biodiversity net gain matrix. These have been reviewed by the Council's Ecologist, Newt officer and the Wildlife Trust.
- 15.5. The Council's Ecologist has concluded that while mitigation measures for most of the species surveyed can be secured through a combination of licensing and precautionary working there are two issues that need to addressed prior to determination.
  - 15.5.1. First the ground level tree assessment has identified three trees with 'moderate' bat roosting potential that can be affected by the proposed works. The survey report indicates that the affected trees have not been identified as the proposed drainage channel location has not been finalised. Policy 4 of the JCS and NPPF para 180 requires that drainage is designed to avoid impacts to trees as a first measure. If this cannot be achieved, then climbing or activity surveys would be required prior to determination so any mitigation measures can be conditioned. In light of this the applicant has provided additional commentary in the EcIA regarding replanting and the inclusion of a belt of woodland into appropriate management. This has been reviewed by the Council's Ecologist who no raised any objection to this approach.
  - 15.5.2. Secondly a GCN district license will be required for this application considering the complicated and declining GCN situation in the area. This position is shared



by the district newt officer (NatureSpace). A NatureSpace report has been submitted in support of this application which contains conditions and an informatives which will be attached to the approval in the event that planning permission is granted. The applicant has opted to have a condition attached that requires compliance with a licence issued by Natural England pursuant to Regulation 55 of The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017. Should the applicant wish to apply for a district level license through NatureSpace this will need to be facilitated by way of a section 73 or 96a application.

- 15.6. The applicant has submitted a biodiversity net gain assessment which was also reviewed by the Council's Ecologist who has concluded that the net loss increases slightly to 8.86 biodiversity units. At present the applicant's two options are to provide the offset on other land within their ownership/control, or to purchase the required units from a habitat bank. The Wildlife Trust has raised concerns highlighting that currently the biodiversity net gain assessment does not proposed the net gain in biodiversity required by the NPPF. They have encouraged the applicant in their response to consider onsite habitat protection, enhancement and creation before looking at off-site proposals especially when consideration is given to the siting of the application site adjacent to the Willow Brook corridor.
- 15.7. The applicant has opted to utilize a third party biodiversity land bank which will ensure the provision of biodiversity is appropriately managed. This approach is considered to be acceptable.
- 15.8. Officers consider that the diverse range of wildlife at the application site and its ecological value has been adequately considered, addressed or mitigated. In this context the proposed development would be acceptable in respect to ecology and nature considerations subject to conditions.

#### 16. Highways and Traffic Issues

16.1. Policy 8 of the NNJCS 2016 sets out several requirements that new development should achieve with regards to highway, pedestrian and other sustainable transport matters. Policy 15 states Connectivity will be strengthened within and around settlements by managing development and investment. The NPPF, at Chapter 9, sets out the Government's views on the role planning decisions should play, in promoting sustainable development and achieving related health objectives. Non-residential



parking standards are contained within the Northamptonshire Parking Standards (2016) document.

16.2. The Local Highway Authority LHA has reviewed the submitted TAA and noted that walking distances to bus stops would be more than 400m and encouraged the applicant to engage with bus providers to discuss measures to improve bus service accessibility to and from the site. A s106 contribution would be acceptable for bus stop/ megarider ticket provisions. Works to existing pedestrian crossing facilities would need to be secured through a nil-detriment scheme under a s278 agreement. The LPA will ensure that the Travel Plan addresses the concerns of the Megarider ticket provision as well as the measures to improve bus service accessibility as per requirement. The LPA will also ensure that Section 106 financial contributions are appropriate to address improvements to the existing pedestrian crossing facility on Birchington Road and that this is approved in writing by the Highway Authority.

## Existing traffic safety matters

- 16.3. Appendix D with regard to accident data submitted by the applicant's consultant is noted. The applicant has been requested to share the study boundary as well as exact years for which PIA data from Council has been requested. A study area needs to include links and junctions which would be used by most vehicular traffic to and from the site. In this instance, we consider it reasonable to assess accident data on Gretton Brook Road, A6116 (west and south), and A43 (for the A43, this needs to be up to and including the next junctions after the A6116 junction).
- 16.4. The applicant has attached PIA data for latest 5-year period along with the study area outline in Appendix B of Technical Note dated December 2022. The applicant has provided a detailed account of the accidents that have occurred on Gretton Brook Road, A43 S & E and A6116. Overall, there were seven serious accidents and 15 slight accidents in the study area over five years.
- 16.5. There are 3 slight accidents that occurred on Arnsley Road/ A43 E/ A43 S/ A6116 roundabout. One of them is due to driver error and the other 2 accidents have no contributory reasons listed. However, as per the Technical Note dated December 2022, the applicant mentions that this junction has been identified for highway improvements which will provide better lane discipline and aid circulatory traffic which will reduce the risk of collision in the roundabout.



16.6. A contributory reason for accident E082320 was road layout (eg- bend, hill, narrow road) which could be a concern for people travelling west from the site. However, overall the vast majority of the accidents do not appear to have contributory factors related to the specific location. As such, there are no objections to the proposal on the grounds of accident history.

#### Proposed parking arrangements

16.7. It is noted that proposed car (inc. disabled), cycle, motorcycle parking would meet the minimum requirements for B8 use as per Northamptonshire Parking Standards (2016). At least 116 HGV spaces are required (58 parking bays & 58 un/loading bays). 111 spaces are proposed which would fall below the above outlined standard. A condition has been attached that requires the application to demonstrate 116 HGV parking spaces can be provided within the application site. The applicant has provided 10% of car parking spaces for EV charging which would be acceptable.

#### Alternative Access Proposal

- 16.8. As previously mentioned, the applicant does not intend to use the fourth arm of the existing roundabout. Instead, they propose the creation of a new T junction to the west of the application site that would then cut north through the central reservation to access the application site. This would block off the orbital road and is as set out in the applicant's scaled plan detailing how the central reservation will be re-designed to allow for right turn movements. Highway officers have expressed reservations and need to be satisfied that it would not prejudice highway safety. Having reviewed the applicant's further submissions LHA are satisfied that suitable access arrangements are deliverable in principle and have suggested a site access prior to commencement condition to ensure it is delivered to appropriate standards.
- 16.9. Officers consider that it is important that the applicant provides a RRRAP assessment considering the private status of the CNOR as this is likely to facilitate further commercial, development when in operation. This and all other material considerations are important if the application is to be approved. Several access design issues were raised by the LHA and the alternative access does not appear to be significantly design-constrained and is considered to be deliverable in principle subject to adequate designs being provided and will be secured by and managed by



way of conditions and provisions within the s106 that manage triggers for its reinstatement.

### Trip Attraction

- 16.10. Initially the LHA highlighted that based on a trip distribution exercise, there are substantial differences. Further details of outputs for trip distribution to check which locations align with which roads for route distribution are requested. A large difference in distribution has been noticed for A6116 Steel Road/ Phoenix Parkway (N) and A43S. Following a response from the applicant to this comment the LHA has reviewed Table 2.1 and Appendix G and based on applicant's explanation of trip distribution, considering the capacity assessment constitutes a worst case assessment which loads maximum development traffic on Junction 3 (Arnsley Road / A43 (E) / A43 (S) / A6116 junction) which is the most sensitive to changes in RFC.
- 16.11. The LHA noted there were some errors in the models of Junction 1 the 3-arm Gretton Rd roundabout. However, the results are so far below capacity with very low queuing that there is sufficient margin for error without causing concerns. As such, this is merely noted for the record, but this is not an obstacle to the development in this instance.
- 16.12. The LHA note that the proposed development incorporates an under provision of car parking, disabled spaces, and cycles. This is because the proposed parking does not take account of the B1 use. However, it is also noted that the applicant's response regarding the type of B1 use (ancillary only). The LHA also highlighted that that the provision of robust measures to discourage car trips could bring down parking requirement for cars. This will be considered further when the Travel Plan is submitted and reviewed; we will ensure that the Travel Plan provides genuine, viable alternatives and thus avoids overspill parking.
- 16.13. In respect to Construction Management and Air Quality the LHA maintains that the list of construction specific documents noted in the TAA will be assessed and reviewed once submitted these include:
  - Construction Traffic Management Plan;
  - Site Logistics Plan;
  - Site Management Plan;



- Site Contract Programme;
- Site Set Up Plan to support the construction of Phase 1 of the proposed development.
- 16.14. The LHA notes that the applicant has provided high level information for the proposed construction management and sites logistics plan; however, the full documents will be assessed and reviewed once submitted. Conditions have therefore been attached that requires the above outlined details to be submitted and approved by the LPA. For the reasons outline above the proposed development would on balance be acceptable in respect to highways and traffic subject to conditions.

## 17. Flood Risk and Drainage

- 17.1. Policy 5 (Water Environment, Resources and flood risk management) of Joint Core Strategy reflects how development should contribute to reducing the risk of flooding and also protecting the quality of the water environment. The above policy also states that 'development should be designed from the outset to incorporate Sustainable Drainage Systems wherever practicable, to reduce flood risk, improve water quality and promote environmental benefits'. This consideration is reiterated in the NPPF, which states that development should ensure that flood risk is not increased elsewhere.
- 17.2. The subject site is located within Flood Zone 1 and therefore has a low probability of flooding. Surface water runoff will be discharged from the surface water drainage network to the Willow Brook North via two outfall points at a restricted 'greenfield' rate. Excess flows will be attenuated within the site area within detention basins and plot-level geo-cellular storage tanks.
- 17.3. The applicant has submitted Flood Risk and Drainage Assessment report to assess the potential effects of the Proposed Development on drainage and flood risk, both on site and to the immediate surrounding area. Due to the size of the application site, a Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) has also been undertaken to consider the impact of the development upon flood risk and vice versa, in line with national policy guidance
  - 17.4. The mitigation and enhancement measures have been identified and all the significant affects have been considered which are related to various stages of the design life. The Environment Agency, Anglian Water and Surface Drainage Water team were consulted on this proposal. The LLFA following an initial objection have confirmed that



the revised flood risk assessment subject to a verification condition. The EA and Anglian Water have raised no objections, subject to conditions and informatives regarding the surface water management strategy and foul water infrastructure details. At this stage based on all the information provided by the applicant, it is considered that the drainage strategy, hydrology and flood risk mitigation is aligned with the policy requirements.

## 18. Health Impacts

- 18.1. Policy 2 of the NNJCS states that the potential for achieving positive health and wellbeing outcomes will be taken into account when considering development proposals. Qualifying development schemes will require proposals to include a Health Impact Assessment and/or Air Quality Assessment. Where any potential adverse impacts are identified, the applicant will be expected to demonstrate how these will be addressed and mitigated. Development proposals should promote, support and enhance health and wellbeing by: (c) Ensuring that development will not have adverse environmental health impacts, such as noise, vibration, smell, light or other pollution, remediation of contaminated land and measures are taken to mitigate the risk associated with climate change; (d) Monitoring to ensure that there is no further decline in air quality.
- 18.2. The results of the submitted Health Impact Assessment conclude that the proposed development has the potential to provide minor benefits to the health and wellbeing of people who will work at and live near the site. This relies on the successful implementation of recommended mitigation measures and other assessments submitted in support of this application specifically in relation to environmental and air quality considerations.
- 18.3. For the reasons considered above the proposed development would be consistent with the above outlined policy objective.

## 19. Sustainability

19.1. As noted above Policy 24 of the NNJCS provides that logistics proposals will be supported where they, inter alia, are of the "highest viable standards of sustainability.". Policy 9 of the NNJCS provides that all development should incorporate measures to ensure high standards of resource and energy efficiency and reduction in carbon emissions. Paragraph 1 provides that, subject to economic viability, developments of



1000+ square metres of non-residential floorspace should, as a minimum meet BREEAM very good or equivalent nationally recognised standards.

- 19.2. The building has been designed to achieve BREEAM 'Excellent' standard and would include a number of key sustainable and environmental features such as solar photovoltaic panels, Garde A and A+ rated construction materials, grey water harvesting and LED lighting. Overall construction of the unit would seek to achieve a BREEAM 'Excellent' standard, including the provision of photovoltaic panels on sections of the main roof.
- 19.3. The application is accompanied by an energy statement, and it is considered that the energy strategy contained within it has been developed in accordance with Policy 9 'Sustainable Buildings' of the North Northamptonshire Core Strategy 2016 (July 2016). For the reasons outlined above on balance it is considered that there would be no conflict with the provisions of Policy 9.

## 20. Air Quality, Noise and Vibration

- 20.1. The NPPF, Paragraph 185, requires the LPA to "ensure that new development is appropriate for its location taking into account the likely effects (including cumulative effects) of pollution on health, living conditions and the natural environment, as well as the potential sensitivity of the site or the wider area to impacts that could arise from the development."
- 20.2. The Council's environmental health officer has highlighted that the former Corby Borough Council has, in conjunction with the East Midlands Air Quality Network produced a reference document 'Air Quality and Emissions Mitigation Guidance for Developers' that we request developers have regard to when making applications that will inherently increase road transport emissions, both during the construction and operational phases. The approach in this document seeks to minimise or offset road transport emissions wherever practicable, by securing reasonable emission mitigation while also seeking to counter the cumulative impacts arising from all developments and maximise potential benefits to health and the environment.
- 20.3. The aim of the EMAQN document is to strongly encourage developers to make their proposals acceptable on-air quality grounds; to reduce new emission sources where possible and prevent a cumulative increase in background levels of air pollution by encouraging emission reductions through mitigation and behavioural change.

## Air Quality



- 20.4. The council's EHO has reviewed the submitted Air Quality assessment and has confirmed that it is not accepted. While the revised AQA made references to mitigation there appears to be no firm plan to implement the majority of them in the event that permission is granted. Officers acknowledge the intention outlined in section 4.4 of the Transport Assessment Addendum (21/10/2022) that electric vehicle charging facilities should be supplied at 10% of the parking spaces with infrastructure in place to retrofit the remaining spaces in future as demand requires. There needs to be a crossover between the AQA and the Travel Plan to ensure the proposed mitigation measures can reasonably link in with the travel plan which the applicant has demonstrated in their resubmission.
- 20.5. There is no further reference to the potential for ground stabilisation works that may include surcharging, in accordance with the Ground Investigation Report. In response to this the applicant has submitted a dust emission management plan which the Council's EHO has confirmed is acceptable.
- 20.6. A prior to commencement condition has been attached that requires details of proposed construction phase mitigation measures and the recommendation a Dust Management Plan (DMP) be approved by the LPA prior to works commencing on site.

<u>Noise</u>

20.7. Following an initial objection, the Council's EHO officers have confirmed that the updated noise impact assessment adequately addresses the previously identified points of contention. The report recommends that further assessment should be undertaken once details about the noise emission of plant are available in order to confirm noise break out from each louvre does not exceed the limits set out in paragraph 5.2.3 of the report. For this reason, a condition has been attached that requires the submission and approval of the acoustic details of the plant and machinery to be installed.

## Light pollution

20.8. The submitted external lighting assessment report job number 21-318 rev 1 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2022 has been reviewed by the Council's EHO and is considered to be acceptable.

## 21. Ground conditions and contamination

21.1. NNJCS Policy 6 provides that in determining planning applications, the LPA will seek to maximise the delivery of development through the reuse of suitable previously



developed land and buildings and, where appropriate, seek remediation strategies to manage land contamination.

- 21.2. NPPF paragraphs 183 and 184 underscore that where a site is affected by contamination or land stability issues, responsibility for securing a safe development rest with the developer/landowner but planning decisions should ensure that after remediation, at a minimum, and should not be capable of being determined as contaminated land under Part II A of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 and a site should be suitable for its proposed use.
- 21.3. The Council's EHO has reviewed the Ground Investigation Report reference 146959/R4.0 dated June 2022 by Fairhurst and advise it is accepted, from a geoenvironmental perspective. The EHO suggested that the report is reviewed the by Environment Agency with regard to controlled waters and an appropriately qualified geo-technical engineer with regard to the reported uncontrolled nature of the backfill at the site and the potential for ground stabilisation to ensure the site is suitable for the proposed development.
- 21.4. The Council's EHO does not therefore raise any objection subject to the following condition and informative:
  - In the event that unexpected contamination is found at any time when carrying out the development hereby approved, it must be reported immediately to the Local Planning Authority. Development works at the site shall cease and an investigation and risk assessment undertaken to assess the nature and extent of the unexpected contamination. A written report of the findings shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority, together with a scheme to remediate, if required, prior to further development on site taking place. Only once written approval from the Local Planning Authority has been given shall development works recommence.

**Informative**: This must be conducted in accordance with DEFRA and the Environment Agency's '<u>Land Contamination: Risk Management</u>' (or any guidance revoking and replacing this guidance with or without modification)'.

**Reason**: To ensure that risks from land contamination to the future users of the development and neighbouring land are minimised and to ensure that the development can be carried out safely without unacceptable risks to workers, neighbours and other offsite receptors



- 21.5. The EA highlighted that the site is understood to comprise filled ground and as such there is potential for areas of contamination encountered during the development. Therefore the EA recommended a condition is attached that required a remediation strategy is submitted in the event that contaminated land is identified throughout the development.
- 21.6. Officers are satisfied that appropriate investigations, remediation strategies and postcompletion verification processes can be secured via appropriate contaminated land conditions, to ensure compliance with the development plan and NPPF policies outlined above.

#### 22. Residential Amenity Impacts and crime prevention

- 22.1. Policy 8 of the NNJCS states that development should (e) Ensure quality of life and safer and healthier communities by: (i) Protecting amenity by not resulting in an unacceptable impact on the amenities of future occupiers, neighbouring properties or the wider area, by reason of noise, vibration, smell, light or other pollution, loss of light or overlooking.
- 22.2. With due regard to the mitigation measures explored in section 19 of this report officers are satisfied that the proposal will not result in any unacceptable adverse impact on the surrounding residential areas by way of noise, vibration, lighting or smell.
- 22.3. In terms of the residential amenity impact, it is clear that the occupiers of residential units to the east of the application site will be most impacted by the proposed development. Located on the eastern side of Gretton Road the affected dwellings are within zone 1 of the Priors Hall SUE. The affected parcels would be R23 within the Woodlands character to the north of Kestrel Road which is a primary street into the development and specifically the dwellings along Lake Drive which intersects the Kestrel Road from the north. The built form is characterised by 2 storey low density housing set within large plots.
- 22.4. To the south of Kestrel Road is Parcel R21b within the Willowhurst Character Area which is served by Osprey Drive which intersects Kestrel Road from the south and is bounded by Hobby Drive to the south which is a secondary road into the development. Parcel R21a also within the Willowhurst Character Area is served by Hobby Drive along its northern boundary and is bounded by and converges with Gretton Road to the west. The residential built form of the Willowhurst area contains a mixture of 2 to



2.5 storey detached, semi-detached and short terraces with some single storey houses with higher densities. In addition to the above outlined receptors Weldon Lodge which is currently vacant and in a state of disrepair lawfully has a C3 use class.

- 22.5. The eastern and southern elevations of the proposed development would 18m in height and would be set back from the western edge of Gretton Road by 65m. 26 loading bays are located in the southern elevation and 74 HGV parking spaces would be sited along the southern edge of the hard surfaced area of application site. To the east and south of the site native woodland buffer planting is proposed which would provide 600 trees with 45% of these being semi-mature.
- 22.6. In light of the above the dwellings that are likely to be most impacted by the proposed development as a result of privacy/overlooking, loss of light and overshadowing, loss of outlook and increased sense of enclosure are outlined below:
- 22.7. Table 1.1 (Separation Distances from proposed and HGV bays).

Plots	Separation distance from proposed development and HGV bays (m)
Lake Drive	
1	162
2	165
4	163
5	167
6	172
Osprey Drive	
1	106
2	123
3	110
4	109
5	101
6	100
7	94
8	93
9	89 - 73 from HGV bay
Hobby Drive	

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1	94 – 67 from HGV bay
2	115 – 83 from HGV bay
4	123 – 97 from HGV bay
130	137 <i>–</i> 95 from HGV bay

#### Privacy/ overlooking

22.8. With due regard to the above outlined separation distances and the intervening proposed planting it is considered that there would be no unacceptable loss of privacy or outlook to the occupiers of the above outlined dwellings as a result of the proposed development.

#### Loss of light/ shadowing

- 22.9. The applicant has submitted a shading study which models the amount of solar access to neighbouring occupiers at various times of the day throughout the year. The study indicates that Weldon Lodge would experience some form of shading twice a year. These include spring equinox at 4-5pm 21<sup>st</sup> March and the summer solstice from 6-7pm on 21<sup>st</sup> of June. The dwellings along Osprey Drive and Hobby Road will also be impacted twice a year during the spring equinox at 5pm on 21<sup>st</sup> March (nos.1,2,3,4 and 5) and during the summer solstice at 7pm on the 21<sup>st</sup> of June (nos.6,7,8 and 9 and no.1 Hobby Road).
- 22.10. An external LED lighting assessment was also submitted in support of the proposed development. This report focuses on the impact of external Artificial lighting. The assessment indicates that the illumination that would normally be free flowing from site boundaries has been restricted and has been further designed to mitigate any potential impact to properties adjacent to the proposed site. Also careful consideration has also been taken to ensure no loss of amenity due to glare through shielding of the lamps, choice of luminaries and efficient mounting heights. As outlined in paragraph 20.1 of this report the Council's EHO has confirmed that the conclusions reached within the report are acceptable.
- 22.11. Following an initial objection, the Council's Designing out crime officer has confirmed that proposed development would be acceptable in respect to Crime Prevention.
- 22.12. For the reasons considered above while it is acknowledged that the proposed development would result in some impact to neighbouring occupiers it is considered that this would be within acceptable tolerances. The proposed development is therefore



not considered to result in any significant adverse impact to the residential amenity of neighbouring occupiers and would as such comply with the policies outlined above.

## 23. Planning Obligations

- 23.1. Guidance for the use and application of planning obligations is contained within the Corby Planning Obligations SPD 2017. North Northamptonshire which seeks the following contributions by way of section 106.
  - 2 x Bus stops and shelter maintenance
  - Operator Travel Plan and associated Monitoring Fee
  - Megarider ticket for the local area, for employees
  - Employment Skills and training
  - Weldon Lodge restoration
  - Upgrade the crossing point on Birchington Road to a controlled crossing facility
  - CNOR central reservation reinstatement in the event of the completion of the final phase of its delivery.
- 23.2. Officers are satisfied the contributions/obligations meet the 3 tests for planning obligations.

## 24. Planning Conditions

- 24.1. Officers are satisfied that the conditions set out below satisfy these 6 tests:
  - necessary;
  - relevant to planning;
  - relevant to the development to be permitted;
  - enforceable;
  - precise; and
  - reasonable in all other respects.
- 24.2. Officers have also followed the relevant procedures in connection with precommencement conditions proposed.

## 25. Conclusions and recommendation:

25.1. After careful consideration, officers consider that the proposed development accords with the employment policies of the Council's development plan, involving considerable inward investment and substantial job creation. The building itself would be of an acceptable design size and position and there are environmental safeguards, a green

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boundary bund together with a substantial planting scheme to screen the building and parking areas (HGV and car spaces) which would reduce its visual impact in the locality. The harm resulting from the proposed development namely environmental, visual, amenity and other impacts then need to be balanced with the economic benefits in terms of investment and employment. The environmental impacts can mitigated through safeguarding planning conditions and section 106 obligations. In reaching this conclusion, officers have attributed significant weight to the socio-economic benefits of the development, in terms of its ability to generate inward investment into Corby and to secure future jobs. Officers consider that these concerns can be appropriately addressed through a planning condition. Also subject to conditions and a s106 agreement the designated heritage asset can be made watertight and then restored to comply with LB legislation and brought back into a beneficial residential use.

## Recommendation:

25.2. For the reasons outlined above officers consider the proposed development to be acceptable on balance and therefore consistent with Development Plan policies. Within this context officers respectfully request delegated authority from members to grant planning permission subject to the conditions outlined below and enter into the Section 106 Agreement based of the Heads of Terms set out in this report.

## 25.3. Conditions

## **Compliance**

1. <u>Time limited permission</u>

The development hereby permitted shall be begun not later than three years from the date of this permission.

Reason: As required by Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended by Section 51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

## 2. Approved drawings and documents

The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans and documents, unless variations are agreed by the Local Planning Authority in order to discharge conditions attached to this permission:

- Topographical Survey 42674\_T Rev.1
- Site Location Plan 4543-003 P11



- Site Plan 4543-004 P18
- Application Red Line Plan 4543-005 P6
- Option 2 One Unit Cross Decked Elevations 4543-006 P16
- GA Plans Office 4543-007 P8
- GA Plans -Hub Office 4543-008 P6
- GA Plans Level 00 4543-009 P9
- GA Plans Roof 4543-010 P7
- Car Park & EV Charging Details 4543-011 P4
- Site Section North East Boundary 4543-016P03
- Cut and Fill / Earthworks Volume Plan 146959/0200 A
- Preliminary Levels 146959/0201 C
- Drainage Strategy 146959/0202 D
- Existing Ditch No Number. Dated 05/01/23
- Illustrative Green Infrastructure Plan BG21.367.19-BRGR-ZZ-ZZ-DR-00001 P06
- Hard and Soft Landscape Plan Overview Sheet 1 of 4 BG22.387.17-BRGR-ZZ-ZZ-DR-L-00001 P06
- Hard and Soft Landscape Plan Overview Sheet 2 of 4 BG22.387.17-BRGR-ZZ-ZZ-DR-L-00002 P06
- Hard and Soft Landscape Plan Overview Sheet 3 of 4 BG22.387.17-BRGR-ZZ-ZZ-DR-L-00003 P06
- Hard and Soft Landscape Plan Overview Sheet 4 of 4 BG22.387.17-BRGR-ZZ-ZZ-DR-L-00004 P06
- Photomontage A BG21.387.15-BRGR-ZZ-ZZ-DR-L-00001 P03
- Photomontage B BG21.387.15-BRGR-ZZ-ZZ-DR-L-00002 P03
- Photomontage C BG21.387.15-BRGR-ZZ-ZZ-DR-L-00003 P03
- Proposed Site Access and Modifications (Drawing contained within Transport Assessment) 2201-086/PL01 D
- External Lighting Plan 21-295-EX-001 P1
- Rockingham Photo 1 2023-01-09 4543
- Rockingham Photo 2 2023-01-09 4543
- Rockingham Photo 3 2023-01-09 4543
- Rockingham Photo 4 2023-01-09 4543
- Air Quality Assessment 22-0515.01 / 87514.544726 Issue 2. Dated 21st October 2022
- Air Quality Mitigation Technical Note 87514.550345 20th December 2022
- Dust and Emissions Management Plan 87514.550345 Issue 1. Dated 20th December 2022
- Arboricultural Report BG21.387.3 October 2022 Rev.1 Dated 24th October 2022
- Biodiversity Metric BG21.387.3 28.10.22
- BREEAM Pre-Assessment BREEAM Pre-Assessment. Rev.1 19th April 2022
- Design Access Statement February 2022 P02
- Economics Benefits Statement P21-3517 V1. Dated 24<sup>th</sup> March 2022
- Economics Benefits Statement Update Note P21-3517 N001v1 dated 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022
- Ecological Impact Assessment BG21.387.2 November 2022 Dated 15.11.22
- Energy Report P2 dated 27.10.22
- External LED Lighting Assessment Report 21-295 Rev.2 dated 27.10.22
- Ground Investigation Report 146959 Rev.R4.0 Rev.R4.0 dated 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022
- Health Impact Assessment P21-3517 Version 1 dated 21st October 2022
- Site Investigation Report CCL03378.CM57 dated December 2020
- Heritage Statement BG21.359.5 Rev.5 October 2022
- LVIA includes Figures 1 to 15 BG21.387.4 dated October 2022 Rev.2 dated 21st October 2022



- Micro Drainage Calculations 146959 Corby Gateway Eastern SW 1 in 100+25%CC Dated 05.01.23
- Micro Drainage Calculations 146959 Corby Gateway Eastern SW 1 in 100+40%CC Dated 05.01.23
- Micro Drainage Calculations 146959 Corby Gateway Western SW 1 in 100+25%CC Dated 05.01.23
- Micro Drainage Calculation 146959 Corby Gateway Western SW 1 in 100+40%CC Dated 05.01.23
- Noise Impact Assessment 22-0515.02 / 87514.544727 Issue 4. Dated 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022.
- Preliminary Ecological Assessment BG21.387 March 2002 Dated 5th April 2022
- Planning Statement P21-3517 R.001 v3 June 2022
- Pre-Planning Assessment Report 146959 PPE-0141327 25.02.22
- Flood Risk Assessment 146959 R1.0 dated 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022
- Shading Study Rockingham Gateway October 2022
- Statement of Community Involvement P21-3517 V1 June 2022
- Technical Note Supplementary Note relating to Surface Water Drainage Strategy 146959 R.5.0 24.10.22
- Transport Assessment 2201-086/TA/01 Issue 13th July 2022
- Transport Assessment Addendum 2201-086/TA/01 Addendum 21st October 2022
- Technical Note 2201-086/TN/01 Rev.A 19th December 2022
- Technical Note 2201-086/TN/02 26th January 2023

Reason: In the interests of proper planning and to ensure a suitable form of development in accordance with Policy 8 and Policy 24 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

#### 3. <u>Unexpected contamination</u>

In the event that unexpected contamination is found at any time when carrying out the development hereby approved, it must be reported immediately to the Local Planning Authority. Development works at the site shall cease in the area affected by the contamination and an investigation and risk assessment undertaken to assess the nature and extent of the unexpected contamination. A written report of the findings shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority, together with a scheme to remediate, if required, prior to further development on site taking place. Only once written approval from the Local Planning Authority has been given shall development works recommence.

Informative: This must be conducted in accordance with DEFRA and the Environment Agency's 'Land Contamination: Risk Management' (or any guidance revoking and replacing this guidance with or without modification)'. Further guidance on Contaminated Land investigations can be found in the Northants Contaminated Land Group Developers Guide.



Reason: To ensure that risks from land contamination to the future users of the development and neighbouring land are minimised and to ensure that the development can be carried out safely without unacceptable risks to workers, neighbours and other offsite receptors, in accordance with Policy 8 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy 2016.

## 4. Removal of permitted development rights

Notwithstanding the provisions of The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (or any Order revising, revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification) and/or the provisions The Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended from time to time):

- A. The development and no part of the development shall be used for any use other than the uses hereby approved (warehousing/logistics uses within Use Class B8 with ancillary office accommodation)
- B. No extensions, new buildings or structures or additional hard surfaced areas shall be constructed or erected without express planning permission.

Reason: In the interest of amenities and retaining employment floor space in accordance with Policy 22 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

## 5. TOTAL FLOORSPACE MAXIMA

The total floor space shall not exceed 500,000 square feet including ancillary office accommodation.

Reason: To ensure that the level of visual and highways impact is comparable to that which has been assessed, and to reflect the terms of the application with restricted main use office space.

## 6. Building heights

No building shall exceed heights of 18m to the underside of the haunch and 21m maximum above finished floor levels.

Reason: In the interest of the visual quality of the area and to ensure consistency with the visual assessment of the development.



## 7. No additional external illumination

No external lighting, other than that specified in the approved External LED Lighting Assessment Report (Ref: 21-295 Rev.2 dated 27.10.22), shall be erected on the site or building.

Reason: To prevent undue environmental and amenity impacts in accordance with Policy 8 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

## 8. Infiltration:

No infiltration of surface water drainage into the ground is permitted other than in accordance with details that have been approved in advance by the Local Planning Authority, and such details will have to demonstrate that there will be no resultant unacceptable risk to controlled waters. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details and a timetable for implementation.

Reason To prevent problems arising from Surface Water Drainage.

## Prior to above groundwork

## 9. Boundary treatment

Prior to the commencement of construction of any building, a scheme detailing the position, design, materials, and type of boundary treatment and fencing to be erected, shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority. The boundary treatment and fencing shall then be implemented in accordance with the approved scheme prior to the first occupation of the development and shall, thereafter, be retained as such.

Reason: To secure an adequate appearance consistent with Policy 8 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

## Prior to construction above slab level

## 10. Foul water drainage



Prior to the construction above slab level, a scheme for on-site foul water drainage works, including connection point and discharge rate to the public network, shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority. The drainage infrastructure shall then be provided in accordance with the approved scheme prior to the occupation of the development hereby permitted.

Reason To prevent environmental and amenity problems arising from flooding.

## Prior to occupation

## 11. Stub arm of roundabout

Prior to the occupation of the development hereby permitted, and subject to obtaining permission from the landowner, the northern stub arm of the roundabout to the immediate south of the application site shall be removed and the land reinstated and landscaped in with accordance drawing no. 2201-086 PL03 Rev A.

Reason: To mitigate the visual effect of the development in accordance with Policy 8 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

Informative: The plans submitted to the Local Planning Authority under this condition will also need to be submitted to the Local Highway Authority at a level facilitating full technical details approval to the satisfaction of the Local Highway Authority. The applicant is advised not to seek the discharge of this condition with details which have not first received technical approval from the Local Highway Authority as this may delay the discharge of the condition or result in the rejection of such a submission.

Informative: In the event that Halley Road and the associated roundabout are adopted highway prior to the implementation of the works, then it should be noted that no works within or affecting the existing highway may commence without the express written permission of the Local Highway Authority. Such consent would be subject to the completion of a legal agreement under Section 278 of the Highways Act 1980 for which full engineering drainage, street lighting and constructional details are required. Such details would be subject to technical and safety audits which may result in changes to any indicative scheme.

## 12. Refuse and Recycling



Prior to the first occupation of any part of the development hereby permitted, provision shall be made for the storage of refuse and recycling awaiting collection arising from the building in accordance with details which shall previously have been approved by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: In the interests of amenity of occupiers of the development and also the visual amenity of the development in accordance with Policy 8 of the North Northamptonshire Core Spatial Strategy.

## 13. Photovoltaic panel details

Prior to first occupation details of the Photovoltaic system in terms of its design, size and location within the development hereby permitted, together with a timetable for its installation shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority. The Photovoltaic system shall then be provided in accordance with the approved scheme and timetable.

Reason: In accordance with Policy 9 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy Paragraph 157 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2021

## 14. <u>Noise</u>

Prior to the first occupation of the development hereby permitted, an assessment demonstrating compliance for all fixed plant with the noise limits set out in the approved Noise Impact Assessment (ref: 22-0515.02 dated October 2022) shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority. The assessment shall include details of any mitigation measures required to achieve the stated noise limits, together with a timetable for the implementation of any such mitigation. The development shall be built in accordance with the approved scheme and any mitigation installed in accordance with the approved timetable, and be retained and maintained thereafter in accordance with the agreed scheme.

Reason: In the interests of the amenities of surrounding occupiers during the construction of the development accordance with Policy 8 and Policy 15 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.



## 15. Electric Car Charging Points

Prior to first occupation of development hereby permitted, electric car charging points shall be installed in 10% of the allocated car parking spaces at the development, as indicated on the approved plans. The charging points shall be supplied to a minimum standard of an independent 32amp radial circuit and must comply with BS7671. Standard 3 pin, 13 amp external sockets will be required. The sockets shall comply with BS1363, and must be provided with a locking weatherproof cover if located externally to the building.

Reason: In the interests of protecting and enhancing air quality through reducing and minimising emissions from vehicles.

16. Signage and Road Markings to be placed adjacent to private Road

Prior to the first occupation of the development hereby approved a scheme of highway signage and road markings to highlight the private nature of the access road serving the development and improve highway safety, together with a timetable for its implementation shall be submitted to and approved by Local Planning Authority. The signage shall then be erected in accordance with the approved scheme and timetable and shall be maintained as such thereafter unless otherwise removed at the request of the Highway Authority.

Reason: In the interest of Highway safety.

## 17. Drainage verification report

The development (or any phase of the development) shall not be occupied until a Verification Report for the installed surface water drainage system for the site has been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority. The Verification Report must be prepared by a suitably qualified drainage engineer. It shall include the following details:

- Demonstration that the drainage system has been constructed as per the agreed principles (or detail any minor variations)
- As-Built Drawings and accompanying photos;



- Results of any performance testing undertaken as a part of the implementation and verification process (as required); and
- CCTV confirmation that the drainage system is free from defects, damage and foreign objects.

Reason: To ensure the installed surface water drainage system is satisfactory and in accordance with the approved details for the site.

## 18. BREEAM POST CONSTRUCTION REPORT

Prior to the occupation of the building hereby permitted, the following information shall be provided to the Local Planning Authority, unless otherwise agreed in writing:-

- a. a BREEAM post construction report to confirm that BREEAM very good (2018) (or the equivalent standard which replaces the British Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Method which is to be the assessment when the building(s) concerned are to be assessed) has been achieved;
- b. that the carbon emissions from regulated energy will be at least 40% better than that required by Part L2a 2021; and
- c. the approved low and zero carbon technologies have been installed.

Reason: In accordance with Policy 9 of North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy which aspires to BREEAM performance of at least 'very good'.

## 19. BREEAM FINAL CERTIFICATES

Within six months of completion of the building hereby approved, a copy of the Final BREEAM Certificate (or equivalent) shall be provided to the Local Planning Authority to demonstrate that the scheme has been completed in accordance with the approved Sustainability and Energy Statement.

Reason: In accordance with Policy 9 of North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy which aspires to BREEAM performance of at least 'very good'.

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## 20. VEHICLE PARKING AND SERVICING ARRANGEMENTS

Prior to the bringing into use of the building hereby approved, the car, HGV, motorcycle and cycle parking facilities and manoeuvring areas shall be provided in accordance with the approved plans and maintained as such available for use thereafter.

Reason: To ensure the development has a suitable relationship with the highway network and complies with the Council's parking standards, in accordance with Policies 8 and 15 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

#### Prior to commencement

## 21. Protected species (excluding Great Crested Newts)

No works or activity affecting any protected species shall commence until the Local Planning Authority has been provided with either:

- a licence issued by Natural England pursuant to Regulation 55 of The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (or any legislation modifying or replacing this provision) authorising the specified activity/development to go ahead; or
- b. written confirmation from Natural England that a licence is not required; or
- c. a statement in writing from a suitably qualified ecologist to the effect that they do not consider that the specified activity/development will require a licence.

Reason: In order to ensure that adverse impacts on protected species are adequately mitigated.

## 22. Great Crested Newts

No works or activity affecting Great crested newts (GCN) shall commence on this site until the Local Planning Authority has been provided with either:

- a licence issued by Natural England pursuant to Regulation 55 of The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (or any legislation modifying or replacing this provision) authorising the specified activity/development to go ahead; or
- e. written confirmation from Natural England that a licence is not required; or



f. a statement in writing from a suitably qualified ecologist to the effect that they do not consider that the specified activity/development will require a licence.

Reason: In order to ensure that adverse impacts on protected species are adequately mitigated.

## 23. Hard and soft landscaping Implementation

The approved landscaping scheme shall be carried out in the first planting and seeding season following the completion of that part of the development to which it relates and any trees or plants which, within a period of five years from occupation die, are removed, or become seriously damaged or diseased, shall be replaced in the next planting season with others of similar size and species, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Due to the presence of habitats suitable to support nesting birds any works affecting trees and the site clearance of arable land shall be undertaken outside of the nesting bird season (March – August). Where works are required within this period all vegetation affected must first be checked by an ecologist prior to works.

Reason: To ensure compliance with Policy 3, Policy 4 and Policy 8 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy 2016

## 24. Landscape ecological management plan

No development shall commence until a Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (LEMP) for the development (or phase, if applicable) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The LEMP shall include the following information:

- a. Description and evaluation of features to be managed;
- b. Ecological trends and constraints on site that might influence management;
- c. Aims and objectives of management;
- d. Appropriate management options for achieving aims and objectives;
- e. Prescriptions for management actions;

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- f. Preparation of a work schedule (including an annual work plan capable of being rolled forward over a five-year period);
- g. Details of the body or organisation responsible for implementation of the plan; and

h. Ongoing monitoring and remedial measures and how these will be secured for the duration of the plan.

The LEMP shall also include details of the legal and funding mechanism(s) by which the long-term implementation of the plan will be secured by the developer with the management bodies responsible for its delivery. The LEMP shall set out (where the results from monitoring show that conservation aims and objectives of the LEMP are not being met) how contingencies and/or remedial action will be identified, agreed and implemented so that the development still delivers the aims and objectives of the originally approved plan.

The LEMP shall be implemented as approved.

Reason: To ensure compliance with Policy 4 and Policy 8 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

25. Biodiversity monitoring strategy

Prior to the commencement of any development (or phase, as applicable) (including for the avoidance of doubt, demolition, groundworks and vegetation clearance), a Biodiversity Monitoring Strategy (BMS) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The BMS shall include the following:

- a. Identification of baseline conditions prior to the start of development;
- b. Aims and objectives of monitoring to match the stated purpose of the BMS;
- c. Appropriate success criteria, thresholds, triggers and targets against which the effectiveness of the various biodiversity net gain measures being monitored can be judged;
- d. Methods for data gathering and analysis;
- e. Location of monitoring;



f. A timetable for the submission of monitoring reports;

g. Identification of responsible persons and lines of communication; and

h. A timetable for review, and where appropriate, publication of results and outcomes.

A report describing the results of monitoring shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority at intervals identified in the strategy. The report shall also set out (where the results from monitoring show that biodiversity net gain aims and objectives are not being met) how contingencies and/or remedial action will be identified, agreed with the Local Planning Authority, and then implemented so that the development still delivers the fully functioning biodiversity objectives of the originally approved BMS.

The BMS shall be implemented as approved.

Reason: To ensure that the development makes a contribution towards a net gain in biodiversity across the plan period, in accordance with Policy 4 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

## 26. <u>CEMP (Biodiversity)</u>

Prior to the commencement of any development (or phase, as applicable) (including for the avoidance of doubt, demolition, groundworks and vegetation clearance), a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP: Biodiversity) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The CEMP: Biodiversity shall provide for:

- a. Risk assessment of potentially damaging construction activities;
- b. Identification of 'biodiversity protection zones';
- c. Practical measures (both physical measures and sensitive working practices) to avoid or reduce impacts during construction (may be provided as a set of method statements);
- d. The location and timing of sensitive works to avoid harm to biodiversity features;
- e. The times during construction when specialist ecologists need to be present on site to oversee works;


- f. Responsible persons and lines of communication;
- g. The role and responsibilities on site of an ecological clerk of works (ECoW) or similarly competent person; and
- h. Use of protective fences, exclusion barriers and warning signs

The CEMP: Biodiversity shall be implemented as approved and adhered to throughout the construction period.

Reason: To ensure that the development makes a contribution towards a net gain in biodiversity across the plan period, in accordance with Policy 4 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

## 27. Construction Traffic Management Plan

Prior to the commencement of any development (or phase, as applicable) a Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) shall be submitted to and approved in

writing by the Local Planning Authority. The CTMP shall provide for:

- a. Detailed work programme/timetable (by reference to the latest build programme);
- b. HGV delivery hours;
- c. Detailed routeing for demolition, excavation, construction and abnormal loads;
- d. Supply of pre-journey information on routing and site restrictions to contractors, deliveries and visitors;

e. Detailed plan showing the location of on-site stores and facilities including the site compound, contractor and visitor parking and turning as well as un/loading point, turning and queuing for HGVs;

f. Breakdown of number, type, size and weight of vehicles over demolition & construction period;

g. Details of debris management including location of wheel wash, programme to control debris spill/tracking onto the highway to also include sheeting/sealing of vehicles and dust management;

h. Details of public impact and protection to include road, footway, cycleway and PRoW;

i. Details of any TROs and road/footway/cycleway/PRoW closures and rerouteing as well as signage and barriers;

j. Public liaison position, name, contact details and details of public



consultation/liaison;

k. Route details, as required, covering culverts, waterways, passing places, tracking of bends/junctions and visibility splays;

I. Programme for pre- and post- works inspection of the highway to identify remediation works to be carried out by the developer (including removal of TROs, temporary signage, barriers and diversions, as applicable);

m. Details of temporary construction accesses and their remediation post project;n. Provision for emergency vehicles.

The approved CTMP shall be adhered to throughout the construction period of development (or the phase to which it relates, as applicable) and the approved measures shall be retained for the duration of that construction period.

Reason: In the interests of safe operation of the highway in the lead into development

both during the demolition and construction phase of the development in accordance

with Policies 8 and 15 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

# 28. CEMP (Amenity)

Prior to the commencement of any development (or phase, as applicable), a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The CEMP shall provide for:

- a. Procedures for maintaining good public relations including complaint management, public consultation and liaison;
- b. Arrangements for liaison with the Council's Pollution Control Team;
- c. All works and ancillary operations which are audible at the site boundary, or at such other place as may be agreed by the Local Planning Authority, shall be carried out only between the following hours: 08 00 Hours and 18 00 Hours on Mondays to Fridays and 08 00 and 13 00 Hours on Saturdays and; at no time on Sundays and Bank Holidays;
- d. Deliveries to and removal of plant, equipment, machinery and waste from the site must only take place within the permitted hours detailed above;



- e. Mitigation measures as defined in BS 5528: Parts 1 and 2 : 2009 Noise and Vibration Control on Construction and Open Sites shall be used to minimise noise disturbance from construction works;
- f. Procedures for emergency deviation of the agreed working hours;
- g. Control measures for dust and other air-borne pollutants;
- h. Measures for controlling the use of site lighting whether required for safe working or for security purposes.

The CEMP shall be implemented as approved and adhered to throughout the construction period.

Reason: In the interests of the amenities of surrounding occupiers during the construction of the development accordance with Policy 8 and Policy 15 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

29. Surface Water

No development, other than the site preparation works, shall take place until a surface water drainage scheme based on sustainable drainage principles and an assessment of the hydrological context of the development in accordance with the approved Flood Risk Assessment (Ref: 146959 R1.0 dated 01.04.22) and accompanying Technical Note (Ref: TN05 dated 24.10.22) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The drainage strategy should demonstrate the surface water run-off generated up to and including the 1% (1-100 chance of occurring in any year) critical storm will not exceed the run off from the undeveloped site following the corresponding rainfall event."

Reason To ensure the future maintenance of drainage systems associated with the development for the lifetime of the development.

# 30. Air Quality and Dust Management

The development shall be carried out in accordance with the recommendations and measures set out in the approved documents of the Air Quality Assessment Report (Ref: 22-0515.01 / 87514.544726 Issue 2 dated 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022), its accompanying Air Quality Mitigation Technical Note (ref: 87514.550345 dated 20<sup>th</sup> December 2022) and the Dust and Emissions Management Plan (ref: 87514.550345 Issue 1 dated 20<sup>th</sup> December 2022.



Reason: To ensure compliance with NPPF Paragraph 185 and Policy 4 and Policy 8 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

Informative: The applicant's attention is drawn to the East Midlands Air Quality Network guidance documents

## 31. LIGHTING FOR CONSTRUCTION

Prior to the commencement of development, other than site preparation works, a construction period lighting strategy for the development (or phase, as applicable) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall then be carried out in accordance with the approved strategy.

Reason: To ensure compliance with the terms of the application and to prevent undue environmental and amenity impacts in accordance with Policy 8 of the North Northamptonshire Core Spatial Strategy 2016.

## 32. HIGHWAY WORKS AND ROAD SAFETY AUDIT

Prior to commencement of construction works for any building, full engineering, construction and drainage plans for improvements to the eastbound bus stop on the A6116 Steel Road shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority in consultation with the Local Highway Authority. The plans submitted under this condition shall be accompanied by a Road Safety Audit (RSA 1) where necessary.

The details approved under this condition shall then be implemented prior to the first occupation of the development.

Reason: In the interests of enhancing sustainable modes of transport to serve the development in accordance with Policies 8 and 15 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

Informative: The plans submitted to the Local Planning Authority under this condition will also need to be submitted to the Local Highway Authority at a level facilitating full technical details approval to the satisfaction of the Local Highway Authority. The



applicant is advised not to seek the discharge of this condition with details which have not first received technical approval from the Local Highway Authority as this may delay the discharge of the condition or result in the rejection of such a submission.

Informative: No works within the highway may commence without the express written permission of the Local Highway Authority. Such consent would be subject to the completion of a legal agreement under Section 278 of the Highways Act 1980 for which full engineering drainage, street lighting and constructional details are required. Such details would be subject to technical and safety audits which may result in changes to any indicative scheme.

#### 33. Site Access

Prior to the commencement of construction works for any building, full engineering, drainage, street lighting and constructional details of the proposed site access and works to the dual carriageway and roundabout exit from Halley Road including signing and lining works to highlight the private nature of the access road serving the development and improve highway safety shall be submitted to and approved by Local Planning Authority. The site access and works shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority. The access shall be provided in accordance with approved details prior to the first occupation of the development.

Reason: - In the interest of highway safety; to ensure a satisfactory access is provided to serve the development in accordance with Policies 8 and 15 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

Informative: The plans submitted to the Local Planning Authority under this condition will also need to be submitted to the Local Highway Authority at a level facilitating full technical details approval to the satisfaction of the Local Highway Authority. The applicant is advised not to seek the discharge of this condition with details which have not first received technical approval from the Local Highway Authority as this may delay the discharge of the condition or result in the rejection of such a submission.

Informative: In the event that Halley Road and the associated roundabout are adopted highway prior to the implementation of the works, then it should be noted that no works within or affecting the existing highway may commence without the express written



permission of the Local Highway Authority. Such consent would be subject to the completion of a legal agreement under Section 278 of the Highways Act 1980 for which full engineering drainage, street lighting and constructional details are required. Such details would be subject to technical and safety audits which may result in changes to any indicative scheme.

## 34. Fire hydrants and sprinklers

Prior to the commencement of construction works of any building, a scheme detailing the location, specification and timetable for implementation of the fire hydrants, sprinkler systems (if required) and associated infrastructure for that phase has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The fire hydrants, sprinkler systems and associated infrastructure shall then be provided and retained in accordance with the approved scheme and timetable.

Reason: To ensure adequate water infrastructure provision is made on site for the local fire service to tackle any property fire.

Informative: The developer will be expected to meet the full costs of supplying and installing the fire hydrant, sprinkler system and associated infrastructure.

### 25.4. Informatives

### 1. Investigation and site risk assessment

This must be conducted in accordance with DEFRA and the Environment Agency's 'Land Contamination: Risk Management' (or any guidance revoking and replacing this guidance with or without modification)'.

### 2. Anglian water

1. INFORMATIVE - Notification of intention to connect to the public sewer under S106 of the Water Industry Act Approval and consent will be required by Anglian Water, under the Water Industry Act 1991. Contact Development Services Team 0345 606 6087.

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3. INFORMATIVE - Protection of existing assets - A public sewer is shown on record plans within the land identified for the proposed development. It appears that development proposals will affect existing public sewers. It is recommended that the applicant contacts Anglian Water Development Services Team for further advice on this matter. Building over existing public sewers will not be permitted (without agreement) from Anglian Water.

4. INFORMATIVE - Building near to a public sewer - No building will be permitted within the statutory easement width of 3 metres from the pipeline without agreement from Anglian Water. Please contact Development Services Team on 0345 606 6087.

5. INFORMATIVE: The developer should note that the site drainage details submitted have not been approved for the purposes of adoption. If the developer wishes to have the sewers included in a sewer adoption agreement with Anglian Water (under Sections 104 of the Water Industry Act 1991), they should contact our Development Services Team on 0345 606 6087 at the earliest opportunity. Sewers intended for adoption should be designed and constructed in accordance with Sewers for Adoption guide for developers, as supplemented by Anglian Water's requirements.

### 3. Superfast Broadband

The North Northamptonshire Joint Core Spatial Strategy 2011-2031 policy 10 (e), Provision of Infrastructure, encourages developers to provide for fast broadband to new buildings (including but not exclusive to housing, commercial, retail or leisure) by partnering with a telecommunications provider or providing on site infrastructure to enable the premises to be directly served - this should be gigabit capable and where possible, full fibre connectivity. This supports the government's Gigabit programme and local targets to see 80% full fibre and 90% gigabit coverage by the end of 2028. Developers should approach telecoms providers at the earliest opportunity to agree gigabit-ready infrastructure and connectivity plans. The network capability delivered by full fibre technology supports the fastest broadband speeds available, is considered future proof, and will bring a multitude of opportunities, savings and benefits. It may also add value to the development and is a major selling point to attract potential homebuyers and occupiers, with many people now regarding fast broadband as one of the most important considerations. Efficiencies can be secured if ducting works and other network infrastructure is planned early and carried out in co-operation with the installations of standard utility works. Any works carried out should be compliant with



the Manual of Contract Documents for Highway Works- specifically Volume 1 Specification Series 500 Drainage and Ducts, and Volume 3 Highway Construction Details Section 1 - I Series Underground Cable Ducts. These documents can be found at: http://www.standardsforhighways.co.uk/ha/standards/mchw/index.htm. Streetworks UK Guidelines on the Positioning and Colour Coding of Underground Utilities' Apparatus can be found here National Joint Utilities Group (streetworks.org.uk).

Proposals should also be compliant with Part R, Schedule 1 of the Building Regulations 2010 (soon to be amended to strengthen requirements for gigabit connectivity to new dwellings) and the Approved Document R. Some telecoms network providers have dedicated online portals providing advice for developers, including: Openreach Developer Portal (openreach.co.uk) Virgin Media http://www.virginmedia.com/lightning/network-expansion/property-developers Gigaclear networkbuildcare@gigaclear.com (rural areas and some market towns) OFNL (GTC) http://www.ofnl.co.uk/developers CityFibre http://cityfibre.com/propertydevelopers Details of other fibre network providers operating locally can be found here <u>http://www.superfastnorthamptonshire.net/how-we-are-</u> <u>delivering/Pages/telecomsproviders.aspx</u>.

For help and advice on broadband connectivity in North Northamptonshire email the Superfast Northamptonshire team at bigidea.ncc@northnorthants.gov.uk Please note that the guidance contained above may be subject to change as a result of changes to planning policy and guidance at national and/or local level as applicable. Amendments are expected to be made to the Building Regulations 2010 in support of gigabit connectivity and therefore continued consultation with the Development Management team is recommended to ensure that the introduction of any such amendments can be taken into consideration at each stage of the planning process.





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