

Substantive response of the Local Highway Authority to a planning consultation received under The Development Management Order.



Response provided under the delegated authority of the Director of Environment & Transport.

APPLICATION DETAILS:

Planning Application Number: 23/00716/FUL

Highway Reference Number: 2023/0716/04/H/R1

Application Address: Barwell Constitutional Club 20 Chapel Street Barwell Leicestershire LE9 8DD

Application Type: Full

Description of Application: Re-consultation. Proposed 4no. residential dwellings with associated vehicular access, parking, amenity space and other works

GENERAL DETAILS

Planning Case Officer: David Spring

Applicant: Mr D Richardson

County Councillor: Ross Hills

Parish: Barwell

Road Classification: Adopted Unclassified

Substantive Response provided in accordance with article 22(5) of The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015:

The Local Highway Authority Advice is that, in its view, the impacts of the development on highway safety would not be unacceptable, and when considered cumulatively with other developments, the impacts on the road network would not be severe. Based on the information provided, the development therefore does not conflict with paragraph 111 of the National Planning Policy Framework (2023), subject to the conditions and/or planning obligations outlined in this report.

Advice to Local Planning Authority

Background

The Local Highway Authority (LHA) have been re-consulted by the Local Planning Authority (LPA) on application 23/00716/FUL for the erection of four dwellings in an existing garden area that currently serves Barwell Constitutional Club, 20, Chapel Street Barwell.

Following the previous response issued by the LHA on 23 August 2023, the Applicant has submitted Houseplans Direct drawing No. FP002 Rev. A along with revised floor plans for all four dwellings.

Site Access

The site is located on Chapel Street, an adopted, unclassified, one-way road that is subject to a 30mph speed limit. Running along the frontage of the site are on-street parking bays that do not appear to be currently covered by a Traffic Regulation Order however some or all of these would

be displaced by the proposed development.

The LHA welcome the amended access design shown in Houseplans Direct drawing No. FP002 Rev. A. The access is shown to measure 4.25m for the first 5m from the highway which the LHA advise is in accordance with Figure DG17 of Part 3 of the Leicestershire Highway Design Guide (LHDG).

Also shown is the provision of vehicular visibility splays of 2.4m by 43m on either side of the access which is in accordance with Part 3, Table DG4 of the LHDG. The LHA note that the splay to the north runs very close to the adjacent Constitutional Club however given Chapel Street is a one-way street in a south to north direction the LHA are prepared to accept the possible slight interference in the splay to the north.

The pedestrian visibility splays shown are located in the public footway. Pedestrian visibility splays should provide drivers sight of pedestrians before a vehicle leaves the development.

Notwithstanding this the LHA are satisfied that the pedestrian visibility splays can be re-located to be contained in the area marked *New planting* on drawing No. FP002 Rev. A. Planting is still permitted in this area so long as it remains below 0.6m in height.

The LHA confirm that the proposed access is safe and suitable for the proposed development and has been designed in accordance with Paragraph 110 of the National Planning Policy Framework (2023).

The Applicant will need to apply to the LHA for a Vehicle Access (dropped kerb) permit before undertaking any works. Further details of the requirements can be found at <https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/cars-and-parking/vehicle-access-dropped-kerbs>.

Any grant of planning permission by the LPA does not guarantee that an application for a dropped kerb would be successful.

Off-Site Implications

The Applicant will be required to remove/ amend the existing white lining delineating on-street parking spaces within the vicinity of the site and may be required to relocate the existing road sign fronting the site to an appropriate location. Signage or lining to highlight the one-way system may also be required.

The LHA advise that the above will be addressed as part of the post planning technical approval process and the Applicant will be liable for all associated costs.

Highway Safety

There has been no recorded personal injury collisions on Chapel Street in the previous five years. Therefore the LHA has no pre-existing highway safety concerns at this location.

Internal Layout

In accordance with Part 3, Paragraph 3.151 of the LHDG the Applicant proposes the provision of two off-street parking spaces to serve each three bedroom dwelling.

The LHA confirm that the dimensions of the parking spaces shown in drawing No. FP002 Rev. A accord with Part 3, Paragraph 3.188 of the LHDG and that the 5.5m- 6.5m aisle width will enable vehicles to turn so that the public highway is approached in a forward gear.

In addition, the LHA welcome that the proposed bin store is suitably located as not to interfere with the visibility splays.

Conditions

1. No part of the development hereby permitted shall be occupied until such time as the access arrangements shown on Houseplans Direct drawing number FP002 Rev. A have been implemented in full.

REASON: To ensure that vehicles entering and leaving the site may pass each other clear of the highway, in a slow and controlled manner, in the interests of general highway safety and in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework (2023).

2. Notwithstanding the submitted plans, the proposed access shall be surfaced in a bound material for a distance of at least 5 metres behind the highway boundary with a 5.5 metre dropped crossing. The access once provided shall be so maintained at all times.

REASON: To ensure that vehicles entering and leaving the site may pass each other clear of the highway, in a slow and controlled manner and to reduce the possibility of deleterious material being deposited in the highway (loose stones etc.), in the interests of general highway safety and in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework (2023).

3. No part of the development hereby permitted shall be occupied until such time as vehicular visibility splays of 2.4 metres by 43 metres have been provided at the site access. These shall thereafter be permanently maintained with nothing within those splays higher than 0.6 metres above the level of the adjacent footway/verge/highway.

REASON: To afford adequate visibility at the access to cater for the expected volume of traffic joining the existing highway network, in the interests of general highway safety, and in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework (2023).

4. No part of the development hereby permitted shall be occupied until such time as 2.0 metre by 2.0 metre pedestrian visibility splays have been provided on the highway boundary on both sides of the access with nothing within those splays higher than 0.6 metres above the level of the adjacent footway/verge/highway and, once provided, shall be so maintained in perpetuity.

REASON: In the interests of pedestrian safety and in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework (2023).

5. The development hereby permitted shall not be occupied until such time as the parking and turning facilities have been implemented in accordance with Houseplans Direct drawing number FP002 Rev. A. Thereafter the onsite parking and turning provision shall be kept available for such use in perpetuity.

REASON: To ensure that adequate off-street parking provision is made to reduce the possibility of the proposed development leading to on-street parking problems locally and to enable vehicles to enter and leave the site in a forward direction in the interests of highway safety and in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework (2023).

Informative

Planning Permission does not give you approval to work on the public highway. Therefore, prior to carrying out any works on the public highway you must ensure all necessary licences/permits/agreements are in place. For further information, please telephone 0116 305 0001. It is an offence under Section 148 and Section 151 of the Highways Act 1980 to deposit mud on the public highway and therefore you should take every effort to prevent this occurring.

Date Received
12 September 2023

Case Officer
Simon Herbert

Reviewer
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Date issued
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