#### SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

**REPORT TO:** Planning Committee 1 February 2017

**AUTHOR/S:** Head of Development Management

**Application Number:** S/1411/16/OL

Parish(es): Cottenham

**Proposal:** Outline application for the erection of up to 200

residential dwellings (including up to 40% affordable housing) and up to 70 apartments with care (C2), demolition of No. 117 Rampton Road, introduction of structural planting and landscaping, informal public open space and children's play area, surface water flood mitigation and attenuation, vehicular access points from Rampton Road and associated ancillary works. All matters reserved with the exception of the main site

accesses.

Site address: Land Off Rampton Road

Applicant(s): Gladman Developments Limited

**Recommendation:** Delegated Approval

**Key material considerations:** Housing Land Supply

Principle of Development

Character and Appearance of the Area

Density
Housing Mix

Affordable Housing Developer Contributions Design Considerations Trees and Landscaping

Biodiversity

Highway Safety and Sustainable Travel

Flood Risk

Neighbour Amenity Heritage Assets

Committee Site Visit: Yes

**Departure Application:** Yes

Presenting Officer: Karen Pell-Coggins, Principal Planning Officer

Application brought to Committee because:

The officer recommendation of approval conflicts with the

recommendation of Cottenham Parish Council

**Date by which decision due:** 3 February 2017 (Extension of Time agreed)

## **Update to Report**

### Consultation

## **Update to paragraph 4- executive Summary**

1. The development would have some landscape impact to the rural open landscape character and setting of the village.

## Update to paragraph 18 - Consultation

2. Landscape Consultant – Comments that the proposals would be less harmful in landscape and visual terms than the previously refused application. Inevitably, the proposal would still result in some harm to the rural open landscape character and setting of the village. The effects upon the Rampton Road frontage would be increased by development extending further north than the existing development. The landscape structure as indicated on the amended development framework plan could, if appropriately managed in the long term, provide some mitigation and reduce the level of landscape and visual harm albeit the landscape character and appearance of this part of the settlement would be markedly altered. Requires conditions in relation to an amended parameter plan with full landscape details, detailed existing and proposed level and contour information of any landform changes. Also requests and the Section 106 legal agreement to secure advance planting on the north western and south western boundaries and a landscape and ecological management plan for all areas of land outside private gardens.

### **Update to paragraph 124 - Planning Assessment**

3. The development to the north of the existing extent of development along Rampton Road is considered to be restricted and well related to the built-up area. The use of this land for dwellings would result in the reduction in the extent of development that would project into the open countryside to the south west. The landscape buffer to the south west boundary and along the ridge would provide increased screening and containment that would assist with breaking down the blocks of development on the elevated plateau. The development is therefore, on balance, considered to result in limited harm to the rural open landscape character and setting of the village.

### **Update to paragraph 178 - Conditions**

4. The following additional conditions and planning obligations are required: -

### **Conditions**

- a) A Design Code and parameter plan with full landscape details shall be provided with the submission of any reserved matters application. (Reason To ensure that the appearance of the site does not detract from the character of the area in accordance with Policy DP/2 of the adopted Local Development Framework 2007.)
- b) No development shall take place until details of the existing and proposed levels and contour information of any landform changes including the drainage basin has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details. (Reason To ensure that the appearance of the site does not detract from the

character of the area in accordance with Policy DP/2 of the adopted Local Development Framework 2007.)

### Section 106

a) Advance planting along north western and south western boundaries and landscape and ecological management plan for all areas of land outside private

- gardens

# **Background Papers:**

The following list contains links to the documents on the Council's website and / or an indication as to where hard copies can be inspected.

- South Cambridgeshire Local Development Framework Development Control Policies DPD 2007
- South Cambridgeshire Local Development Framework Supplementary Planning Documents (SPD's)
- South Cambridgeshire Local Plan Submission 2014
- Planning File References: S/1411/16/OL, S/1818/15/OL, S/1952/15/OL, S/1606/16/OL and S/2876/16/OL

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