



Laverstock & Ford Parish Council

Incorporating Milford, Bishopdown Farm, Old Sarum & Longhedge

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PRESS RELEASE

PLANNING APPLICATION FOR 14 DWELLINGS WITHIN CASTLE HILL COUNTRY PARK

In February this year, Wiltshire Council granted Outline Planning Permission to the landowner for the construction of 14 houses at the Yard and Buildings to the rear of Neal Close and Gibbs Close, Hampton Park (ref [16/06690/OUT](#)). This site falls within Castle Hill Country Park.

In October, the developer, Imperial Homes, submitted a Reserved Matters Planning Application (ref [PL/2021/09292](#)) setting out details about the properties, but omitting key information regarding access to and from the site. Conditions relating to the access were included in the outline planning permission.

At their monthly meeting in October, the Parish Council voted to object to the Reserved Matters Planning application and gave several reasons. In addition, the Council complained about the absence of detail on access. The access conditions relate to the site entrance from Roman Road, the protection of the Country Park and its users both during the construction phase and after completion and the prevention of unauthorised access by vehicles on to the Country Park. The Parish Council is insisting that they must be consulted with by both the developer or their agent and Wiltshire Council before these conditions are discharged. Full details of the Parish Council's response to Wiltshire Council can be found on our website at www.laverstock-ford.co.uk

Councillor Nick Baker, Chair of Laverstock and Ford Parish Council said "It is greatly to be regretted that Wiltshire Council has already granted outline planning permission which included access to this site through a much-loved country park. The current application does not provide an opportunity to re-open this decision. Instead, the Parish Council are calling on Wiltshire Council to ensure that developers engage

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constructively with us and the Land Trust to ensure that before any work starts, there are robust plans in place to protect the safety of park users and ensure that the access road does not encroach on public land. In our response to the development proposals, we are also calling on the developers to ensure that the houses that are built take into account the need to respond to the climate crisis through renewable energy generation and support for electric vehicle charging".

If you would like to comment on this application, details of the plans and documentation can be found at <https://development.wiltshire.gov.uk/pr/s/planning-application/a0i3z000016RaYs/pl202109292> The deadline for comments is 9th November.

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Notes to Editors:

The full text of the objection is-

The Parish Council object for the following reasons-

1. There must be provision for electric vehicle charging points.
2. The dwellings should include measures to combat climate change including solar panels, insulation, and provision for easy conversion to a heat pump system at a later date.
3. There must be provision for bin storage.
4. The dwellings should include built-in habitats for bats, barn owls and swifts.

In addition, the Parish Council has major concerns about the ACCESS ROAD to this development.

The access road runs through the heart of a popular Country Park, owned by the Council but leased to and managed by The Land Trust. It is understood that the developer has spoken with the Land Trust about this road but there has been NO consultation with the Parish Council.

The Notification of Outline Planning (16/06690/OUT) dated 12th February 2021 contains three conditions relating to access. Condition 7 refers to the access junction with Roman Road. Condition 8 covers the protection of the Country Park land (and its users) during the construction phase. Condition 20 provides long-term protection for users of the Country Park from vehicles associated with the development.

The Parish Council insists that it **must be consulted by Wiltshire Council before any of these Planning Conditions are discharged**. Only the Council and its tenant, the Land Trust, have detailed knowledge of the multiplicity of Country Park users, how they use the Country Park and the land ownership on either side of the access road.

Reference is made to this Council's responses to 16/06690/OUT dated 26th April 2019 and 26th March 2020. It is noted that the Outline Conditions do not address the issue of preventing unauthorised access by vehicles on to the Country Park. This must be included in the plans for access. There is also potential encroachment on to Parish Council land if passing place are to be included in the final plans. If no passing places are included there must be a method of preventing the crossing of kerbs by vehicles attempting to pass.

The applicant or their agent must consult with the Parish Council before submitting the application(s) to discharge.

Laverstock & Ford Parish Council is the civil Parish Council that covers the communities of Laverstock, Ford, Bishopdown Farm, Old Sarum and Longhedge.

It is a statutory consultee on all planning applications in the Parish, but the final decision on applications is made by Wiltshire Council. Parish Council meetings take place at 7pm on the third Monday of the month and are open to the press and public.

Agendas and full details of all meetings can be found at www.laverstock-ford.co.uk

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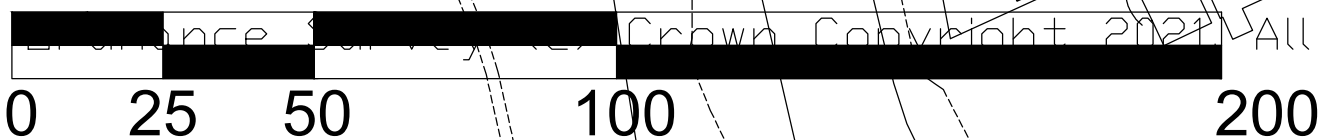
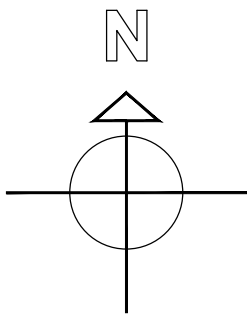
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Land to the Rear of
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