

The Planning Inspectorate

COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

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Appeal Reference: APP/X1925/W/25/3362553

DETAILS OF THE CASE

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Appeal By MR BRUCE PARKER

Site Address
Land at New Pound Farm
East Side of Old Hale Way
Hitchin
SG4 0SA
Grid Ref Easting: 518530
Grid Ref Northing: 231117

SENDER DETAILS

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ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS

In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case?

- ☐ Appellant
- ☐ Agent
- ☒ Interested Party / Person
- ☐ Land Owner
- ☐ Rule 6 (6)

What kind of representation are you making?

- ☐ Final Comments
- ☐ Proof of Evidence
- ☐ Statement
- ☐ Statement of Common Ground
- ☒ Interested Party/Person Correspondence
- ☐ Other

YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

It is unfortunate that the applicant is adamant to build on this protected Green Belt space at any cost. As was determined by North Hertfordshire District Council in its conclusion to the initial application, the proposal would be contrary to the fundamental aim of the Green Belt which is to maintain openness, giving rise to moderate harm to spatial openness and substantial harm to visual openness, contrary to paragraph 142 of the NPPF. Therefore it should be refused.

This is still true and holds solidity.

The applicant has over several years put in various planning applications to build on the site. Some of these have been granted. However the scope of build has increased beyond the original remit of the applications. It is now at the point of overreaching the boundaries of what is acceptable. We should therefore not allow any not further build on this preserved space as it would have severe and adverse consequences to the land itself, the landscape, the noise levels, the neighbouring residents (of which I am one) and the road traffic.

Please refuse the application appeal at the earliest moment. Thank you.