Title: Appeal Decisions

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LOCATION	APPLICATION NO	DESCRIPTION	APPEAL DATE & DECISION	SUMMARY OF DECISION
The Paddocks Pledgdon Green Henham	UTT/2495/11/FUL	Appeal against refusal to grant planning permission for a garage/hobby room structure	28 Sep 2012 DISMISSED	In dismissing the appeal the Inspector concluded that the proposal would introduce an unjustified substantial new building in the countryside, and it would materially harm the character and appearance of the countryside.
Land to the rear of Brooklyns Weaverhead Lane Thaxted	UTT/1609/11/FUL	Appeal against refusal to grant planning permission for 5. No. two bedroom houses, 4 no. three-bedroom houses, with associated garages and car- ports	28 Sep 2012 DISMISSED	It was concluded by the Inspector through the loss of most of the existing trees and hedgerow along the Copthall Lane frontage; the significant reduction in height, and removal of part, of the frontage wall; and the introduction of high density houses close to the north side of Copthall Lane, would fail to preserve or enhance the character and appearance of the Thaxted Conservation Area. Whilst the harm that would be caused in this regard would not be substantial, it would be significant.

Whitefriars High Lane Stansted	UTT/0606/12/FUL	Appeal against refusal to grant planning permission for single dropped- kerb (4 kerb stone).	25 Sep 2012 ALLOWED	This proposal sought permission for a second vehicular access for the residential property. The Local Highway Authority objected to the proposal as an unjustified second access to the property. The Inspector accepted that the householder's current access and parking space does not meet their needs, and therefore accepted that it was justified. It was also concluded that the proposal would be unlikely to have a material impact on highway safety or the ability of this part of the road network to carry traffic freely and safely between centres of population. The proposal would not, therefore, conflict with the aims of policy DM3 of the Essex County Council Development Management Policies Supplementary Guidance (2011)
Appeal A 1 Bentfield Bower Stansted	UTT/1554/11/FUL	Appeal against refusal to grant planning permission for retrospective change of use planning application for land purchased from farm adjacent to property, converted to grow fruit, vegetables and plants, also to develop a wildflower and wildlife area	18 Sep 2012 ALLOWED	In allowing Appeals A-D the Inspector concluded that the land that has been enclosed in each case is relatively small in scale compared to the surrounding arable fields. Each plot is generally free from domestic paraphernalia, although garden sheds have been erected at Nos.1 and 2. Its sense of openness could be retained through a condition restricting permitted development rights, as suggested by the Stansfield Mountfitchet Parish Council. This would enable the District Council to control the erection of sheds, outbuildings and unsuitable outdoor storage.

Appeal B 2 Bentfield Bower Stansted	UTT/1538/11/FUL	Appeal against refusal to grant planning permission for retrospective change of use of land adjacent to 2 Bentfield Bower from agricultural land to residential garden use	18 Sep 2012 ALLOWED	In allowing Appeals A-D the Inspector concluded that the land that has been enclosed in each case is relatively small in scale compared to the surrounding arable fields. Each plot is generally free from domestic paraphernalia, although garden sheds have been erected at Nos.1 and 2. Its sense of openness could be retained through a condition restricting permitted development rights, as suggested by the Stansfield Mountfitchet Parish Council. This would enable the District Council to control the erection of sheds, outbuildings and unsuitable outdoor storage.
Appeal C 3 Bentfield Bower Stansted	UTT/1689/11/FUL	Appeal against refusal to grant planning permission for retrospective change of use from agricultural land to garden use	18 Sep 2012 ALLOWED	In allowing Appeals A-D the Inspector concluded that the land that has been enclosed in each case is relatively small in scale compared to the surrounding arable fields. Each plot is generally free from domestic paraphernalia, although garden sheds have been erected at Nos.1 and 2. Its sense of openness could be retained through a condition restricting permitted development rights, as suggested by the Stansfield Mountfitchet Parish Council. This would enable the District Council to control the erection of sheds, outbuildings and unsuitable outdoor storage.
Appeal D 4 Bentfield Bower Stansted	UTT/1584/11/FUL	Appeal against refusal to grant planning permission for retrospective change of use from agricultural land to garden use	18 Sep 2012 ALLOWED	In allowing Appeals A-D the Inspector concluded that the land that has been enclosed in each case is relatively small in scale compared to the surrounding arable fields. Each plot is generally free from domestic paraphernalia, although garden sheds have been erected at Nos.1 and 2. Its sense of openness could be retained through a condition restricting permitted development rights, as suggested by the Stansfield Mountfitchet Parish Council. This would enable the District Council to control the erection of sheds, outbuildings and unsuitable outdoor storage.

Foxley House	UTT/2364/11/OP	Appeal against	17 Sep 2012	The Inspector concluded that facilities within Rickling Green are
Green Road	011/200 4 /11/0F	refusal to grant	DISMISSED	limited; notwithstanding the presence of a bus service mist trips
Rickling Green		planning	DIGINIOOED	would be more likely by car. He stated that the village does not
radiang croon		permission for		perform well in terms of the sustainability principles of the LDF. He
		described as		did criticise the layout of the proposal as fundamentally inward
		outline application		looking rather facing onto the road, and there would a failure to
		for a residential		establish a sense of place, as such it was concluded that the
		development of 14		proposal would harm the character of the area. The Inspector
		new market homes		considered that by virtue of being a site of more than 0.5 hectares,
		on land adjoining		its failure to provide 40% affordable housing was contrary to Policy
		Foxley House		H9.
		(SHLAA site ref		110.
		QUE5); homes		
		vary in size 3-6		
		bedrooms, all with		
		garaging/off street		
		parking; new		
		access to site off		
		B1383		
Tessmoorlands	UTT/2340/11/LB	Appeal against	17 Sep 2012	The Inspector concluded that the proposed replacement windows
Frenches		refusal to grant	ALLOWED	would be of similar design. It was considered that the glazing bars
Green		planning		would not be unduly heavy or chunky in design, and there would be
Dunmow		permission for		little readily appreciable difference in outward appearance of the
		removal of all		building, which stands apart from its nearest neighbours. The
		existing white-		property is an integral whole and, consent having been already
		painted timber		granted for windows of the same form and design as those subject
		windows and their		to this appeal, it would be appropriate for similar windows to be
		replacement with		incorporated in order to provide a unified appearance. Against
		double glazing		this background, the proposal would not result in material harm to
		white-painted		the special architectural and historic interest of this heritage asset.
		timber.		
		Replacement of		
		two white-painted		
		timber doors with		
		white-painted		
		timber doors		