TEWKESBURY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to:	Planning Committee			
Date of Meeting:	15 October 2019			
Subject:	Current Appeals and Appeal Decisions Update			
Report of:	Development Manager			
Corporate Lead:	Deputy Chief Executive			
Lead Member:	Lead Member for Built Environment			
Number of Appendices:	One			

Executive Summary:

To inform Members of current planning and enforcement appeals and Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) appeal decisions issued.

Recommendation:

To CONSIDER the report.

Reasons for Recommendation:

To inform Members of recent appeal decisions.

Resource Implications: None.
Legal Implications: None.
Risk Management Implications: None.
Performance Management Follow-up: None.
Environmental Implications: None.

1.0 INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

1.1 At each Planning Committee meeting, Members are informed of current planning and enforcement appeals and Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) appeal decisions that have recently been issued.

2.0 APPEAL DECISIONS

2.1 The following decisions have been issued by the MHCLG:

Application No	15/00752/FUL					
Location	Leigh Court Church Lane The Leigh Gloucester GL19					
	4AF					
Development	Construction of three new poultry units for up to 155000					
•	birds, feed bins, new access road, landscaping (including					
	associated hard surfacing), flood mitigation and					
	associated works.					
Officer recommendation	Refuse					
Decision Type	Delegated					
DCLG Decision	Dismiss					
Reason	The main issues in consideration were landscape impact,					
	heritage assets and the impacts of noise and odour on					
	nearby residential property.					
	The Inspector considered that the sheds and feed bins					
	would be visible from a number of vantage points both in					
	the immediate vicinity along Church Lane as well as from					
	further afield, including nearby public rights of way. Here,					
	the Inspector considered that the sheds would appear					
	more industrial in nature, out of keeping with the					
	agricultural landscape and at odds with the sensitive rural					
	character of the surroundings.					
	Likewise, the Inspector considered that the introduction of					
	the proposed passing bays along Church Lane, would					
	materially erode the pleasant and attractive appearance					
	of the picturesque rural lane which is dominated by the					
	Church and its rural character contributes to the setting of					
	that important heritage asset.					
	Consequently, the Inspector found that the proposal					
	would be harmful to the character and appearance of the					
	surrounding landscape and would negatively impact on					
	local distinctiveness. This would be detrimental to the					
	Landscape Protection Zone in conflict with Local Plan					
	Policy LND3 as well as JCS Policy SD6					
	For the reasons set out above, the Inspector also					
	considered there would be 'less than substantial' harm to					
	the Grade 1 Church of St Catherine. Paragraph 196 of					
	the Framework advises that where a development					
	proposal will lead to less than substantial harm to the					
	significance of a designated heritage asset, this harm					
	should be weighed against the public benefits. The					
	Inspector did not consider the public benefits identified by					
	the appellant would outweigh the harm to the Church and					
	as such, the proposal is also in conflict with the guidance					
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set out in the Framework.

Furthermore the Inspector was not satisfied that the appellant has demonstrated that there would not be significant impacts on nearby receptors in respect of noise and odour, including the church which was considered a 'highly sensitive receptor'. Accordingly, the Inspector found that the proposal was in conflict with Policy SD14 of the JCS and paragraph 170 of the Framework which advises that planning policies and decisions should contribute to and enhance the natural and local environment by, amongst other things, preventing new and existing development from contributing to, being put at unacceptable risk from, or being adversely affected by, unacceptable levels of pollution.

For these reasons, the Inspector considered that the proposal is in conflict with a number of development plan policies which are fundamental to the effective operation of the development plan as a whole as well as the guidance set out in the Framework and concluded that the appeal should be dismissed.

Date 05.08.2019

- 3.0 ENFORCEMENT APPEAL DECISIONS
- **3.1** None.
- 4.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED
- **4.1** None.
- 5.0 CONSULTATION
- **5.1** None.
- 6.0 RELEVANT COUNCIL POLICIES/STRATEGIES
- **6.1** None.
- 7.0 RELEVANT GOVERNMENT POLICIES
- **7.1** None.
- 8.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (Human/Property)
- **8.1** None.
- 9.0 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS (Social/Community Safety/Cultural/ Economic/ Environment)
- **9.1** None.
- 10.0 IMPACT UPON (Value For Money/Equalities/E-Government/Human Rights/Health And Safety)

- **10.1** None.
- 11.0 RELATED DECISIONS AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT FACTS
- **11.1** None.

Background Papers: None.

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Appendices: 1: List of Appeals received.

Appendix 1

List of Appeals Received									
Reference	Address	Description	Date Appeal Lodged	Appeal Procedure	Appeal Officer	Statement Due			
19/00025/OPDEV	Broadway Road	unauthorised fencing	12/09/2019	W	WIC	24/10/2019			

Process Type

indicates FastTrack Household Appeal Service • FAS

indicates Householder Appeal HH

indicates Written Reps • W indicates Informal Hearing indicates Public Inquiry • H