

### **Application 20/01790 Land at Datchet Common, Mill Place, Datchet.**

We have reviewed all history of this site including the referral to the Secretary of State judgement, which was successfully appealed by the applicant, and planning granted on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2020 into application Ref 17/02404 dated 26 July 2017.

We have had a detailed discussion with the Planning department at RBWM who are in support of this application and feel the concerns of residents on flooding, green belt, highways and environmental issues have all been met by the applicant within this application.

We have taken into consideration access rights to this site in particular the lease giving access to the site, granted by RBWM as a sub-lease through Datchet Parish Council and taken into consideration its usage within the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, which this application meets.

We have also been advised that RBWM are obligated to allow within the Borough Local Plan a higher number of allocated sites for use by the Gypsy and Traveller community within the Borough and RBWM are well below the allocation as they have not set out any further sites in RBWM at this time to meet the quota. This is another key support of this application by RBWM planning.

We have taken into consideration the ability to supply additional residential accommodation for the existing families and communities to create additional family support to the community living within the site.

We have taken into consideration the past disputes on land usage over the many years and feel this new use is an improved development for local residents than the previous commercial usage and should be supported by the community as an improvement to the site.

Taking into consideration all the points reviewed above Datchet Parish Council voted in favour of **NO Objection** to this application, subject to the following points being taken into consideration of any permitted application, and used as recommendations to any approval given. The voting being 8 in Favour, 2 Abstaining and 2 Against. A named vote is recorded in the Council minutes.

1. Control to the perimeters of the site are set as shown in the plans proposed, and no increase of area is submitted, as shown here in application, so to maintain green spaces and Tree Boundaries.
2. That the surrounding tree lines are adhered to as shown in the plans attached, and suggested that mature trees are planted to improve the views over the development from adjoining properties as set out in the application plans here, and in line with RBWM's biodiversity policies.
3. That all requirements and recommendations of Environmental Agency, Highways and Environmental Protection Memorandum, as set out in the documents dated 24<sup>th</sup> September 2020, are met and monitored within the application.
4. That any further changes to this application be submitted back to the Parish Council and neighbours for local input and comment before any approval is permitted.