

Planning Applications awaiting Consideration and being Monitored – March 2022

- (a) [2020/1877/OTS](#) Application for outline Planning Permission with some matters reserved (access considered) for the erection of up to 40 dwellings and provision of school playing field and car park. Land at 369293 147420 Quarry Lane, Leigh on Mendip **Update** On 27th April 2021 Mendip District Council refused the application, an appeal was lodged in October 2021, the proposed layout and number of properties has been amended. The Parish Council are still awaiting confirmation of dates for the hearing but have engaged a planning consultant. The Memorial Hall has been offered as a venue for the hearing. A meeting was organised with the planning consultant on 25th February, reports are now in the process of being written to present to the appeal board once dates have been published.
- (b) [2021/2284/LBC](#) Repairs to single storey lean-to kitchen extension roof to include replacement of tiles. Cottage Garden, Leigh Street, Leigh on Mendip **Update** Leigh on Mendip Parish Council recommended approval but with a condition concerning tiles. Mendip District Council granted approval.
- (c) [2021/2403/FUL](#) Conversion of barn into holiday let. Land at 368121 146641 Tadhill Lane, Stoke St Michael. **Update** Additional comments were forwarded from the Parish Council. Mendip District Council granted approval.
- (d) [2021/2649/FUL](#) Erection of 3no. single storey three-bedroom dwelling houses. Land South of Apple Meadow, View Park Hayes, Leigh on Mendip. **Update** No decision has yet been made from Mendip District Council. Further comments were sent by the Parish Council concerning access. This application is being discussed at the Planning Board on 16th March. Approval was recommended by Mendip District Council but more consultation is required as the application is a departure from the Local Plan. Mendip District Council have now granted approval.
- (e) [2022/0035/FUL](#) Erection of 2no holiday let cabins and associated parking. Grove Shute Farm, Towns End Lane, Leigh on Mendip **Update** No decision has yet been made from Mendip District Council, Leigh on Mendip Parish Council recommended refusal
- (f) [2022/0053/OTS](#) Application for outline planning permission with some matters reserved for the erection of 3 no. dwellings with details of access. Corner Cottage, Quarry Lane, Leigh on Mendip **Update** Leigh on Mendip Parish Council recommended refusal on the grounds of the principle of development in this location, mineral safeguarding and highways safety, Mendip District Council are yet to make a decision.
- (g) [2022/0170/HSE](#) Erection of a single storey side extension, porch to front entrance, Juliet balcony to east elevation and conversion of garage/store with roof alterations. Ben My Chree, Blackers Lane, Leigh on Mendip. **Update** Leigh on Mendip recommended approval. Mendip District Council granted approval.
- (h) [2022/0172/APP](#) Approval of details reserved by conditions 4 (ducts, pipes, rainwater goods) 5 (bats) 6 (lighting design) 7 (Habitat bat roost type 001) 9 (Provision for nesting swallows) and 11 (Hard and soft landscape scheme) on planning consent 2017/2726/FUL. Knaphill Farm, Knapp Hill, Leigh on Mendip **Update** No decision has yet been made from Mendip District Council.

- (i) [2022/0118/HSE](#) – Removal of 8ft hedgerow and erection of new 2 metre fence panels and gate (retrospective) **Update** Leigh on Mendip Parish Council recommended approval as it would not have any significant impact on the neighbouring properties
- (j) [2022/0298/FUL](#) Fire Risk Assessment works to include the installation of a fire door to the first-floor corridor, replace the existing window within bedroom 1 with a new window, reinstate a gate within beer garden, adapt existing doors to form a new escape route through a store room and onto the main road and installation of a fire door and an existing aperture blocked up to give 30 minutes fire resistance. Bell Inn, Leigh Street, Leigh on Mendip **Update** Leigh on Mendip Parish Council recommended approval as the proposals did not impact on the historic fabric, were low key alterations and would not have any significant impact on the neighbouring properties. Mendip District Council granted approval.
- (k) [2022/0299/LBC](#) Fire Risk Assessment works to include the installation of a fire door to the first-floor corridor, replace the existing window within bedroom 1 with a new window, reinstate a gate within beer garden, adapt existing doors to form a new escape route through a store room and onto the main road and installation of a fire door and an existing aperture blocked up to give 30 minutes fire resistance. Bell Inn, Leigh Street, Leigh on Mendip **Update** Leigh on Mendip Parish Council recommended approval as the proposals did not impact on the historic fabric, were low key alterations and would not have any significant impact on the neighbouring properties. Mendip District Council granted approval.

Enforcement Issues

- (l) **ENF/2021/0259** Potential Breach of Planning Regulations – Construction of Holiday lets in disused quarry, Whitehole Hill, Leigh on Mendip. A case has been opened, no further details as yet.
- (m) **2021/2649/FUL** Land to the South of Apple Meadow View. An enforcement request was lodged with Mendip District Council on 23rd December 2021, no number has yet been issued by the Enforcement Team. Chased again 7th March 2022. An email was received from the Enforcement Department saying they were unable to find the original emails and have no record of a case being opened, the request has been resubmitted.
- (n) **2021/2121/FUL** Creation of external storage area with erection of shed and installation of two shipping containers (Retention of works already started). Land at 370558 147315 Quarry Lane to Somers Hill, Leigh on Mendip **Update** No decision has yet been made from Mendip District Council. The site was visited by an Enforcement Officer and the Planning Case Officer on 9th February. The applicant has agreed to amend his planning application to indicate a blue line around the area. With regards to enforcement, there have been no protected trees affected by the works currently undertaken and the site does not sit within a conservation area. As such, there are no grounds on which the Council can take enforcement action in relation to any of the tree works that have been undertaken. Following the February meeting another letter was sent to the enforcement department containing queries about drainage, ownership and footpaths.

Note about Enforcement Issues from Mendip District Council

Should you wish to receive in writing from the Planning Service either that no enforcement action will be taken following an investigation or that an enforcement notice will be withdrawn, this can be confirmed by a letter for a fee of £100.

Under the General Data Protection Regulations, the Council has a duty to protect the privacy of the person who is the subject of the complaint as we do for the person reporting the complaint. Therefore, we are no longer able to provide you with any updates or information about the matter during the course of our investigation. Such information is also likely to be exempt from release under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. You will be provided with a summary of our findings once the investigation has been concluded.