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Planning and Building Control
South Holland District Council
Council Offices
Priory Road
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PE11 2XE

Outline Planning Application – Conway, The Common, Whaplode Drove, PE12 0UF

Re: the outline planning application for the address above. Our application falls outside of the area designated in the local plan for Whaplode Drove. We therefore would like to submit the following information in support of our application.

The plan is to build a bungalow on our existing land. The land would be split to provide two entries on the land registry.

The rationale for the planning application is to provide us with a home suitable for our retirement. Our daughter and son-in-law would be purchasing the existing property, Conway, to accommodate their family.

Currently, we support them with child-care for our two grand-daughters and this new arrangement would alleviate the need for travel between their current home in Peterborough and our address. The intention is for our grand daughters to attend Shepeau Stowe School, as did our children.

We have recently experienced the challenges of caring for elderly parents who lived in Derby. The costs and personal stresses of managing their conditions and quality of life from a distance were substantial. Having discussed this with our daughter and her siblings, we want to plan for the possibility of later life care. Building a home set up for later life and with care close by, is a sensible approach. Manda is employed by the NHS Trust in Peterborough, working with neurologically challenged patients in their own homes and care homes, and is fully aware of the cost / care agency challenges faced by local councils in providing later life care. By building our new home we are seeking to eliminate the need for outside care provision.

Additionally, the bungalow will be designed to be as sustainable as possible. We love living where we are and feel part of the local community.

Whilst our proposal falls outside of the local plan, as a bungalow, it will be unobtrusive and neighbours will be unaffected by its location. We are aware that an application for an annex may be viewed more

sympathetically. However, it is important to separate the properties to protect both ourselves and our daughter should circumstances require either property need to be sold in the future.

Our aim is to remain in the property for as long as we are able. There is no intention to sell either property for profit.

We look forward to hearing the result of our application.

Sincerely,

Robert and Manda McNab