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Application no: SMD/2025/0516

Determined on: 6th February 2026

**Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015**

REFUSAL OF PLANNING PERMISSION

Location of Development:

Thornby Lodge, Consall Forge, Consall, Wetley Rocks, Staffordshire, ST9 0AJ

Description of Development:

Erection of single storey outbuilding to form residential annex

Staffordshire Moorlands District Council in pursuance of powers under the above mentioned Act hereby **REFUSE** to permit the development described above and shown in plans ref: 2522CTD 00 SI DR A 010 P01; 2522CTD 00 SI DR A 013 P03; 2522CTD 00 SI DR A 014 P02; 2522CTD 00 00 DR A 015 P01; and, 2522CTD 00 00 DR A 016 P01, that were submitted with the application, for the reason(s) specified below:-

The development would be inappropriate and harmful to the Green Belt, it would be harmful to both the visual and spatial aspects of openness and cause countryside encroachment. There would also be an unacceptable harm to the character and appearance of the area when experienced and appreciated from the adjacent public footpath Consall no. 4. The development by reason of its size, design, position, and proximity to the boundary would appear as an odd or alien form of development that would make a prominent intrusion in the countryside. The development would adversely affect the 18th Century host dwelling's relationship with its woodland setting and would interrupt and obstruct available glimpses of the property through gaps in tree line and shrubbery. There are no other considerations that amount to very special circumstances and clearly outweigh the harm to the Green Belt and the other harms that would result from the development. There would be conflict with policies SS10, DC1, and DC3 of the Staffordshire Moorlands Local Plan and the terms of the NPPF.

Informatives

It is considered that the proposals are unsustainable and do not conform with the provisions of the NPPF. It is considered that the applicant is unable to overcome such concerns and thus no amendments to the application were requested.

X *B.J. Haywood*

Signed by: Ben Haywood

On behalf of Staffordshire Moorlands District Council

NOTES

1. If you are aggrieved by the decision of your local planning authority to refuse permission for the proposed development or to grant it subject to conditions, then you can appeal to the Secretary of State under section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
1. If the decision to refuse planning permission is for a householder application, and you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 12 weeks of the date of this notice.
2. If this is a decision to refuse planning permission for a minor commercial application, and you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 12 weeks of the date of this notice.
3. If this is a decision to refuse express consent for the display of an advertisement, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 8 weeks of the date of receipt of this notice.
4. If you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision for any other type of development, including listed building consents then you must do so within 6 months of the date of this notice. Appeals must be made using a form which you can get from the Secretary of State at Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN (Tel: 0303 444 5000) or online at <https://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk>
5. The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal, but will not normally be prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal. The Secretary of State need not consider an appeal if it seems to the Secretary of State that the local planning authority could not have granted planning permission for the proposed development or could not have granted it without the conditions they imposed, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of any development order and to any directions given under a development order.
6. If either the local planning authority or the Secretary of State refuses permission to develop land or grants it subject to conditions, the owner may claim that he can neither put the land to a reasonably beneficial use in its existing state nor render the land capable of a reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted. In these circumstances, the owner may serve a purchase notice on the Council (District Council, London Borough Council or Common Council of the City of London) in whose area the land is situated. This notice will require the Council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part VI of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
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