

Parish Council Representations

Planning Application Ref. No. 17/02108/FUL

Erection of a Primary Healthcare Centre on Land Parcel Stow Fair Site.

After long and careful consideration Mangersbury Parish Council have agreed to support this application, by majority decision.

We support this application on the basis that no housing is required on the field in order to deliver the surgery and JRN's interest in the Gypsy field is limited solely to the application site. The remainder of the field is not affected by this proposal.

The Parish Council recognise the need for a new doctors' surgery and wish to see it delivered as soon as possible. We are very disappointed with the lack of progress on the Tall Trees site, which was granted planning permission in July 2015. There have been a number of timelines given by the Tall Trees Development Team over the past couple of years which have not been met and therefore, we, like many are sceptical that the latest timeline will be met.

The Tall Trees Development Team have publicly announced that they are in the advanced stages of securing finance for their project and that clearance of the site should begin in September, but there seems to be a question as to how secure the funding commitment is.

Given the uncertainty, the Parish Council support the JRN application because we want to ensure that there is an alternative site for a surgery that can begin without delay, should the Tall Trees site fail to progress. We are informed that JRN has funding agreed in principle with an existing funding partner.

Our support is based on the permission being granted in the same manner as Tall Trees whereby a planning condition is imposed that the site is only to be used as a health care centre and for no other purpose, including any other use in Class D1.

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Mangersbury Parish Council