## CHERWELL DISTRICT COUNCIL

## TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 CONSULTATION - PLANNING APPLICATION

Case officer: Bob Neville Date: 22/01/20

Application No: 19/02948/F

Applicant's Name: Rectory Homes Ltd

Proposal: Erection of 10 dwellings

Location:

Parish: Steeple Aston

**Expected Decision** 

Level:

Please complete ONE of the following sections and return to Head of Planning and Development Services at Bodicote House within **21 days** of date of consultation letter:

2. The Parish Council wishes to raise <u>no objections to the application</u> and makes the following observations:

Steeple Aston Parish Council considered the application at its meeting on 20th January 2020, and decided that, in its revised form, it largely meets the concerns previously expressed, which were:

• Road markings and signage: can we have some assurance that the new road markings and signage will be well maintained so that the new road layout preserves a high degree of safety?

We are reassured that the Safety Audit carried out by the applicants has resulted in improved proposals, and that it will be the responsibility of the Highways Authority to maintain markings, etc.

• The narrowness of the road where there is to be a 'build out': we have been approached by a local farmer who has pointed out that he needs to be able to get wide

farm vehicles into and through the village. Can he be assured that this will be possible?

The revised arrangements demonstrate that large farm vehicles will be able to negotiate the narrowest section.

• The general appearance of the development and how it will tie in with the appearance of the rest of the village as a whole: we would like the developers to take note of the relevant comments from MCNP Forum, and our comments above about it being a 'gateway'. The scheme should enhance the entrance to the village.

We are satisfied that significant changes have been made to the appearance of the scheme, and that it could potentially enhance the village entrance.

The parish council, however, remains doubtful about the last of our concerns:

• Thames Water's assurances that the sewerage system can cope: there have been problems in the past where the system runs down through Bradshaw Close. Please note the response from Mr. Cummins, a resident of Bradshaw Close and a chartered engineer, regarding this issue (a copy of which has already been received by CDC).

In summary, we are pleased to be able to support the application, and are in contact with officers regarding Section 106 benefits to village facilities.

Signed:	Cathy Fleet , Steeple Aston Parish Clerk	Date:22/01/20
On behalf of	STEEPLE ASTON(Parish Council):	

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