

MAPLEDURWELL & UP NATELY PARISH PLANNING STATEMENT

Guidance for determining the Parish Council's response to planning applications

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The Parish Council is asked to express its view on planning applications which have been submitted to Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council (BDBC). It is important that the response is consistent, sensible and meets the expectations of residents of the Parish.

The following points should be borne in mind:

1. The Parish Council has no power to approve or reject planning applications. In general, a BDBC Planning Officer will decide the outcome of an application by applying planning policies and guidance drawn up by the Borough Council and central Government, including the Basingstoke & Deane Local Plan. Local residents who may be affected by the development, and the Parish Council, are informed of the application and invited to comment.
2. The following guidance has been agreed by Mapledurwell & Up Nately Parish Council to assist in determining its response to BDBC consultations.
3. In general, the Parish Council will take a positive view on developments which do not detract from the appearance of that area of the Parish, and do not detract from an amenity enjoyed by other residents. In this context the Parish Council will seek to maintain the character of the Conservation Areas together with the rural and agricultural aspect of the Parish.
4. If an application is refused, the applicant has a right to appeal to the Planning Inspectorate. In this situation, the Parish Council, and all those who previously commented, will again be invited to respond.
5. The Parish Council will be guided by BDBC Local Plan planning policies.

Note: All correspondence received by BDBC relating to a planning application is now published on the BDBC website.