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Planning Application Details

Reference Number: DA/2017/0813
Registration Date: 22-Aug-2017
Application Type: FULL PLANNING
Parish: Braunston
Ward: BRAUNSTON & WELTON
Main Location: Playing Fields, Barby Road, Braunston, Northamptonshire

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Case Officer: Rebecca Hambridge
Proposal: Installation of concrete skate park
Decision: ✱ Approval Full ✱
Decision Date: 12-Oct-2017
Appeal Lodged Date:
Appeal Decision:
Appeal Decision Date:

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Recommendation – APPROVE

Members' Notes

Summary:

The proposed skate park is of an appropriate design and is appropriate to its siting within the Braunston Playing Fields. The proposal would not be detrimental to the residential amenity of the nearby residential occupiers and will not have an adverse effect on parking or on the road network. The skate park will also not negatively affect Braunston's overall character and appearance.

Therefore, the proposal complies with Saved Daventry District Local Plan Policies GN1, GN2 and EN42, and with the West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy Policy SA. It also has regard to the National Planning Policy Framework, Braunston Neighbourhood Development Plan and to the Supplementary Planning Guidance – The Retention of Playing Pitches.

Consultations:

DDC (Environmental Health – Community) –

I have reviewed the information submitted for this application and have no objections to make.

Email 26/09/17

With regards to the comments made by a local resident, we consider it would be unreasonable to ask for two noise assessments to be undertaken for this application given the location of the proposal, the previous planning application and the assumption that the skate park will be used during the day time and not at night time. Therefore, we have no further comments to make.

Should this application be approved and complaints of noise nuisance be received, the Environmental Improvement team will investigate and take action under the relevant legislation should it be considered necessary.

Parish Council –

As the applicant the Parish Council support his project.

Neighbours – 9 responses received from 7 addresses:

The site should be moved to the point farthest away from the adjoining properties. Concerned about the proposed size, height and location in the corner of the playing field closest to the residential properties.

Noise, nuisance and visual intrusion (however mitigated) will be maximised for the nearby residents.

A location adjacent to the Barby Road on the north-eastern side of the Playing Field would place the facility closer to the public footpath and road/street lightening Inaccurate, unsubstantiated and clearly now dated information contained within the application.

Further enhanced measures are taken to reduce the visual amenity and noise intrusion inflicted on nearby residents.

Request two independent noise impact assessments are conducted prior to the granting of planning permission.

If there was a case requiring emergency vehicles to attend, they would have to cross a grass field which may not be possible in wet or wintry conditions.

The proposed skate park is significantly different from that previously approved.

The skate park is going to be an excellent facility and it would be expected that it would be very well used by the village children and young people from dawn to dusk. Noise does carry as can be witnessed when cricket and football matches take place; these are of a relatively short duration in comparison to the expected usage of the skate park.

Playing field is the perfect place for people to go and not be seen. Not in the slightest a safe place especially for children.

The playing field is a ghostly place on a sunny afternoon there is no way I would be happy for my children or anyone else's to be alone down there.

It will end up uncared for, unloved and unused just like the basketball court. Skate park every time but not in the park it's too remote and out of the village. Prone to vandalism and antisocial behaviour from visitors to the village.

Site Notice – Expired 19/09/17

Planning Policies:

National Planning Policy Framework

West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy – Policies SA, RC2

Daventry District Local Plan – Policies GN1, GN2, EN42

Braunston Neighbourhood Development Plan – Policies E, F, H

Supplementary Planning Guidance – The Retention of Playing Pitches

Relevant Planning History:

- DR/66/118 – Res. Dev OP.235, 239, 248/9 (refused)
- DA/68/167 – Playing field (approved with conditions)
- DA/75/455 – Erection of sports pavilion (approved with conditions)
- DA/76/434 – Erection of pavilion (approved with conditions)
- DA/78/239 – Erection of sports pavilion (approved with conditions)
- DA/95/0821/A – Non illuminated 'V' shaped sign (approved with conditions)
- DA/95/0880 – All weather surface with flood lightening and fencing, basketball practice area, pentangle area, extension of children's play area, barbeque area, security grilles to pavilion (approved with conditions)
- DA/2003/1212 – Single storey extension to clubhouse (withdrawn)
- DA/2011/0002 – Installation of 4 no. 6 metre high floodlight columns (approved with conditions)
- DA/2013/0420 – Installation of concrete skate park (approved with conditions)

Observations:

The proposed skate park is to be located within the existing Braunston Playing Field, Barby Lane, Braunston. The playing field covers an area of approximately 3 hectares to the North of the village. It is situated approximately 100m north of the Greenway housing area and has access by foot along a pavement next to Barby Road from The Green at the centre of the village. Braunston Playing Field currently consists of sport pitches for football and cricket as well as a basketball court and play equipment for younger children. A pavilion exists with changing and showering facilities as well as a car park area to the immediate south of the entrance. The playing field is used by local sport clubs from within the village and by Braunston C of E Primary School for sport days, as well as local residents of all ages. In recent years, the travelling circus has used the playing field for a temporary site to house performances for the village.

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) sets the Government's planning policy for England. Paragraph 14 sets out the presumption in favour of sustainable development. This means that when determining proposals that accord with the development plan they should be approved without delay and that where the relevant development plan policies are out-of-date planning permission is granted unless the adverse impacts of doing so would significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits when assessed against the policies of the NPPF. In determining the application the policies of the development plan will be assessed against the policies