

CHIPPING PARISH COUNCIL

PLANNING	
21 OCT 2021	
FOR THE ATTENTION OF	

PLANNING APPLICATION 3/2021/0849 FAIR CLOUGH BARN LOUD
BRIDGE CHIPPING PR3 2NX

Chipping parish Councillors object to this planning application for the following reasons.

- 1 Site address is not as stated on the application Loud Scales Chipping , when it should say Loud Bridge Chipping. Loud Scales is situated to the south west of the site and is the other side of the River Loud .
- 2 The Design and Access Statement implies there are 77 acres of farmland at Fairclough Barn , which is incorrect. There are only 27 acres at this address. The other 50 acres are at Handlesteads Farm, Collins Hill Lane Chipping, some 2.5km away as the crow flies or 4.5km via the highway . Handlesteads is farmed and owned by Mr. Anthony Rogerson and stocked with animals under his ownership. Defra would be able to confirm these facts and whether Mr Baker has any there too.
- 3 Mr Baker states he already has 100 ewes and 60 beef fattening cattle. There are not any beef cattle at Fairclough Barn. The sheep that are kept there for some months of the year belong to Mr Rogerson. Mr. Rogerson keeps stock at various localities in Lancashire, where the land is owned by others. Mr. Baker appears to be offering Fairclough Barn as an extension to Handlesteads rather than the Fairclough Barn site being commercially viable on its own merits as a farm small holding.

- 4 The land at Handlesteads Farm belongs to Mr Rogerson , he intermittently grazes sheep on Fairclough Barn land. Mr Baker does not own sheep nor are any beef cattle kept at Fairclough Barn.
- 5 Mr Bakers original planning application nos.3/2019/0901 stated he needed the first 2 buildings to store hay and machinery.The hay barn has not had any hay stored in it to date and the small quantities of hay/silage made were taken off the property.The agricultural machinery he referred to needing in this application is not on site. There are othertypes of commercial plant vehicles stored on site, but the 2tractors , rowing up machine,baler,mower and 2x trailers intimated in the application.
- 6 Mr Baker states there wont be a need for additional slurry storage as there is an existing small midden. This midden is ground level , open fronted open roofed area that would only be capable of storing a small quantity of bedding type material not slurry.If Mr Baker is going to keep 60 head of cattle , industry guidance that a cow would produce 0.33m of slurry per week. When wintering farms should allow a minimum of 18 weeks slurry storage. This volume does not allow for rainfull adding to the volume which would definitely occur with the existing midden arrangement. The potential for leachgate from this would be a significant risk to the adjacent land and drainage which discharges into the River Loud, that ia situated at the bottom of steeply sloping ground less than 100m to the north of the site.
- 7 The existing planning sought for the buildings stated the buildings were to be tantalised timber in a Yorkshire boarded style . Yorkshire boarding is a type of hit and miss cladding which has gaps of 25mm between the boards to permit

ventilation. The buildings under planning permission 3/2019/0901 have been constructed a close boarded seal style, with the openings arranged differently to the agreed permission and with industrial type roller shutter security doors. The buildings now have the appearance more akin to industrial buildings than agricultural buildings as stated.

Summary

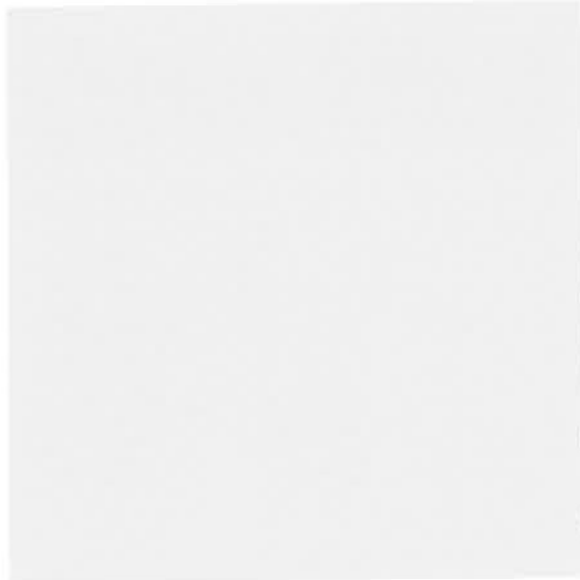
Chipping Parish Councillors are concerned that the piecemeal method of seeking planning permission for the buildings at this site is being done to expand the development in an "under the radar" type approach, which will ultimately lead to some other use in the future and not for the purpose being stated. Mr Baker only owns 27 acres at this address and the commercial viability should be proven before the development is allowed to further expand. Our concerns are that a request will be made at some point in the future to change the use of these buildings to a more industrialised use or indeed attempt to do this without applying, after which the neighbourhood would be blighted.

This application contains obvious falsehoods which puts into question the intention and forward purpose of this added construction. There is insufficient land at the site of Fairclough Barn to warrant the intended building [the applicant claims further land, which is not owned by him, is a considerable distance away and is owned / farmed by someone else.] The applicant does not own the farm animals as he states he does and does not farm at Fairclough Barn, The applicant does not own any cattle nor are any kept on his site by anyone else. The buildings already constructed are not and have not been used for the purpose specified in the planning application and they

have not been constructed to specification. They are oversized in height for stated purpose . Other requirements for farm puposes muck and slurry storage not considered and included in the proposal for keeping farm animals.

Given the previous application requirements have not been adhered to, Chipping Parish Councillors are very concerned That any permission given for this application ,would again be ignored. Which is extremely worrying especially in this A.O.N.B.

Barbara Green Clerk CHIPPING PARISH COUNCIL



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