Town Planning Ref. No. 4/0458/84

THE DISTRICT COUNCIL OF DACORUM

IN THE COUNTY OF HERTFORD .

To Mr BW Hall Gills Hill Markyate

Mr A C Hoy 20 Market Place Woburn Milton Keynes

Replacement Farm House	• •.	
at Valleybottom. Farm,. Valley.lane, Flantead		Brief description and locatio of proposed developmen

The reasons for the Council's decision to refuse permission for the development are:-

- (1) The site is within a rural area beyond the Metropolitan Green Belt wherein permission will only be given for use of land, the construction of new buildings, changes of use or extension of existing buildings for agricultural or other essential purposes appropriate to a rural area or small-scale facilities for participatory sport or recreation. No such need has been proven and the proposed development is unacceptable in the terms of this policy.
- (2) The County Development Plan, deposited Dacorum District Plan and County Structure Plan show the site to be within the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty wherein the policies of the local planning authority seek to preserve the appearance of the area, encourage agriculture and conserve wildlife by the restriction of further development having particular regard to the design, siting and external appearance of buildings; the proposed development is unacceptable in the terms of these policies.

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- (3) The proposed dwelling of the size proposed and in an elevated position on the valley side and detached from the existing farm buildings would appear unacceptably prominent and would detract from the appearance of this isolated and attractive valley.
- (4) The proposed access drive running diagonally across the field, and new vehicular access, unrelated to the existing farm buildings would be unduly prominent and further detract from the rural character of the area.
 - (1) If the applicant wishes to have an explanation of the reasons for this decision it will be given on request and a meeting arranged if necessary.
 - (2) If the applicant is aggrieved by the decision of the local planning authority to refuse permission or approval for the proposed development, or to grant permission or approval subject to conditions, he may appeal to the Secretary of State for the Environment, in accordance with section 36 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971, within six months of receipt of this notice. (Appeals must be made on a form which is obtainable from the Secretary of State for the Environment, Tollgate House, Houlton Street, Bristol, B\$2 9DJ). The Secretary of State has power to allow a longer period for the giving of a notice of appeal but he will not normally be prepared to exercise this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal. The Secretary of State is not required to entertain an appeal if it appears to him that permission for the proposed development could not have been granted by the local planning authority, or could not have been so granted otherwise than subject to the conditions imposed by them, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of the development order, and to any directions given under the order.
 - (3) If permission to develop land is refused, or granted subject to conditions, whether by the local planning authority or by the Secretary of State for the Environment and the owner of the land claims that the land has become incapable of reasonably beneficial use in its existing state and cannot be rendered capable of reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted, he may serve on the District Council in which the land is situated, a purchase notice requiring that council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part IX of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971.
 - (4) In certain circumstances, a claim may be made against the local planning authority for compensation, where permission is refused or granted subject to conditions by the Secretary of State on appeal or on a reference of the application to him. The circumstances in which such compensation is payable are set out in section 169 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971.