

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

DACORUM BOROUGH COUNCIL

Application Ref No. 4/0700/94

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DEVELOPMENT ADDRESS AND DESCRIPTION
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Bovingdon Airfield, Chesham Road, Bovingdon

USE OF LAND AS UNLICENSED AIRFIELD

Your application for *full planning permission* dated 09.05.1994 and received on 24.05.1994 has been **REFUSED**, for the reasons set out on the attached sheet(s).

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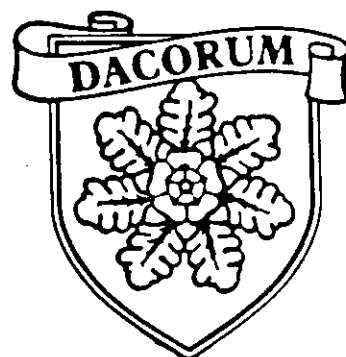
Director of Planning

Date of Decision: 29.09.1994

(ENC Reasons and Notes)

REASONS FOR REFUSAL
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1. The site is located within the Metropolitan Green Belt on the adopted Dacorum District Plan and Dacorum Borough Local Plan - Deposit Draft wherein permission will only be given for use of land, the construction of new buildings, changes of use of existing buildings for agricultural or other essential purposes appropriate to a rural area or small scale facilities for participatory sport or recreation. The use of the airfield for commercial storage of aircraft and aviation, the need for the erection of permanent buildings and the scale of the facility proposed is considered to be unacceptable in the terms of this policy.
2. The proposed change of use to airfield is unacceptable in terms of adopted Dacorum District Plan Policy 39, Dacorum Borough Local Plan Deposit Draft Policy 8 (Criterion D) and Policy 77 (Criteria B and D) as it would cause significant noise and general disturbance to nearby residential properties and occupants of The Mount HM Prison. Furthermore the scale of the proposed use in terms of frequency of flights, number of planes to be stored and the permanent nature of the facility is inappropriate in this rural Green Belt location.
3. In view of the close proximity of the application site to HM Prison The Mount, the proposed change of use to airfield is likely to pose security problems and constitute a threat to the safety of the inmates and Prison staff.
4. Bovington Footpath No. 36 crosses the proposed runway and a number of other definitive rights of way are located in the vicinity of the application site. The proposed change of use would render Footpath No. 36 hazardous to walkers and the noise and disturbance caused by planes would be detrimental to footpath users' enjoyment of the countryside.