APPLICATION NO PA/2021/1968

APPLICANT Mr Mark Snowden, Keigar Homes Ltd

**DEVELOPMENT** Planning permission to erect four dwellinghouses

**LOCATION** Land off 'The Sidings', Victoria Road, Barnetby, DN38 6HP

PARISH Barnetby le Wold

WARD Brigg and Wolds

CASE OFFICER Scott Jackson

SUMMARY Subject to completion of a Section 106 agreement, grant

**RECOMMENDATION** permission subject to conditions

REASONS FOR REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE Objection by Barnetby le Wold parish council

#### **POLICIES**

## **National Planning Policy Framework:**

Chapter 2 – Achieving sustainable development

Chapter 4 – Decision-making

Chapter 5 – Delivering a sufficient supply of homes

Chapter 9 – Promoting sustainable transport

Chapter 11 – Making effective use of land

Chapter 12 – Achieving well-designed places

Chapter 14 – Meeting the challenge of climate change, flooding and coastal change

Chapter 15 – Conserving and enhancing the natural environment

Chapter 16 – Conserving and enhancing the historic environment

North Lincolnshire Local Plan: Policies H5, H8, H10, LC5, T1, T2, T6, T19, DS1, DS14

and DS16 apply.

North Lincolnshire Core Strategy: Policies CS1, CS2, CS5, CS6, CS7, CS8, CS19 and

CS25 apply.

#### **CONSULTATIONS**

**Highways:** No objection, but recommend conditions.

**Environmental Health:** No objection, but recommend a condition.

**LLFA Drainage:** No objection, but recommend conditions.

**Historic Environment Record:** Following receipt of a Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) no objection subject to conditions.

**Anglian Water:** The Planning & Capacity Team provide comments on planning applications for major proposals of 10 dwellings or more, or if an industrial or commercial development, 500sqm or greater. However, if there are specific drainage issues you would like us to respond to, please contact us outlining the details. The applicant should check for any Anglian Water assets which cross or are within close proximity to the site. Any encroachment zones should be reflected in site layout. They can do this by accessing the infrastructure maps on Digdat.

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

Object on the following grounds:

- additional traffic and road safety issues
- insufficient parking provision per dwelling
- impact on the local drainage system
- LLFA Drainage should consider alternative means of surface water drainage disposal.

#### **PUBLICITY**

Two site notices have been displayed and one letter of objection has been received raising the following issues:

- increase in dwellings will impact upon local drainage and potentially result in flooding
- Skeggar Beck has overflowed in previous years
- cramped form of development.

## **ASSESSMENT**

The application site consists of garden land to the rear of 17–19 Victoria Road. The land was laid to grass and enclosed by a hedge along its western side with the access road. It has now been laid to hardstanding and enclosed by a 1.8 metre high closed-boarded fence along its eastern and southern boundaries that adjoin the gardens of residential properties. The site is within the defined settlement boundary for Barnetby, extends to 0.15 hectares (1500 square metres) in area and is in flood zone 1. It is accessed from an existing road that runs directly to the west, which serves the northern site permitted for 23 dwellings under PA/2019/1454. Full planning permission is sought to erect four dwellings with associated off-street parking spaces and private amenity space.

The main issues in the determination of this application are the principle of development, impact on the character and appearance of the street scene, impact on residential amenity and drainage matters.

## **Principle**

The application site is garden land to the rear of 17–19 Victoria Road within the defined settlement boundary for Barnetby, in a sustainable central location within easy walking and cycling distance of a range of local facilities, including a primary school, village hall, shops, church, public house and post office. In terms of sustainability, it is within walking distance of bus stops and a mainline train station. The proposal therefore accords with the principles of sustainable development set out within the policies of the local plan, Core Strategy and National Planning Policy Framework on delivering residential development in appropriate locations.

The Housing and Employment Land Allocations DPD shows this site is within the settlement boundary for Barnetby and the proposal constitutes a windfall site. Policy H8 (Housing Design and Housing Mix) applies and states that new residential development will be permitted provided that it incorporates a high standard of layout that maintains, and where possible improves and enhances, the character of the area and protects existing and natural and built features, landmarks or views that contribute to the amenity of the area. This site constitutes a developable brownfield site within the settlement boundary of Barnetby, in a sustainable location. There is, therefore, a presumption in favour of residential development.

Policy CS9 (Affordable Housing) of the adopted Core Strategy states that new residential development of three or more dwellings in rural settlements must make provision for an element of affordable housing. However, the National Planning Policy Framework states that tariff style contributions should be sought for schemes of 10 or more dwellings. This application seeks to erect four dwellings, in addition to the 23 already approved on the adjacent site by the same developer and utilising the same means of access. The proposal is therefore considered to be piecemeal development. Policy CS9 seeks to ensure that 10% of housing on residential schemes are affordable, which equates to 2.7 dwellings. However, the applicant has agreed to an off-site contribution in lieu of on-site provision of the additional 0.7 dwellings. The provision of this affordable housing will be secured by a Section 106 legal agreement. It is a policy preference for this affordable housing to be provided on the site, however the applicant has agreed to a financial sum in lieu of on-site provision.

Policy H10 (Public Open Space Provision in New Housing Development) of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan applies and states that new housing developments on windfall sites of 0.5 hectares or more will be required to provide recreational open space on a scale and in a form appropriate to serve the needs of residents. Again, the development is considered as piecemeal and as such the council's Section 106 officer has agreed an off-site contribution of £19,700.20 would be sought towards the maintenance and improvement of existing open space in Barnetby; this contribution would be secured through a Section 106 legal agreement.

#### Street scene and settlement character

The pattern of residential development around that proposed is mixed and comprises pairs of semi-detached houses arranged in linear form with deep rear gardens along the Victoria Road frontage and a modern housing estate which consists of a main access road flanked by a number of cul-de-sac spurs to either side. The introduction of additional residential properties on the eastern side of the access road to the wider residential development is not considered to be out of keeping with the prevailing pattern of residential development in

this part of Barnetby. The proposed residential development comprises a mix of two-storey dwellings arranged in semi-detached and detached form. The general height, scale and type of dwellings is consistent with the existing height and size of dwellings on Victoria Road, Chestnut Grove and Woodland View and these dwellings will be viewed against the wider existing built backdrop of existing residential development on the eastern and south eastern edges of Barnetby.

The plans show that the houses are arranged in a linear form with the principal elevations of each dwelling addressing the proposed access road. With the exception of the pair of semi-detached houses, the proposed dwellings will have a separation distance between them; this allows for pedestrian circulation and provides a sense of both openness and rhythm to the pattern of built development. In terms of the appearance of the dwellings, a materials plan has been submitted stating that the roofs will be clad in red pantiles, and the bricks will be of mixed red tones and grey, with stone detailing to some dwellings. It is considered this mix of external materials will ensure variety in the street scene within the development itself and that the appearance of the houses is in keeping with the wider residential street scene, particularly the modern housing estate to the north and north east.

In terms of views of the proposed development, these will be relatively limited; no extensive views are available from the public highway to the south-west (Victoria Road). Any views will be restricted to those consisting of modern two-storey dwellings set back a distance of approximately 40 metres from the public highway. It is noted public footpath BARN297 runs parallel to Skeggar Beck to the west of the site, which will allow views of the development in close context; however, the development will be viewed against the built backdrop of the existing larger modern housing estate to the north-east and the dwellings under construction on the site to the north. The plans also show the provision of pedestrian access from the site to Victoria Road to the south; this allows both pedestrian and bicycle access to the range of local facilities in Barnetby which include a public house, post office, two convenience shops, a school, train station and village hall.

A landscaping plan has been submitted showing the provision of low-level planting in linear form along the front boundaries of all four dwellings. In terms of the house designs, these consist of a pair of semi-detached houses and two detached dwellings, all of which are two-storeys in height. The detached dwellings have a projecting bay window to the front and the semi-detached dwellings have a projecting gable across part of the front elevation which adds visual interest to the appearance of the development scheme and corresponds with the appearance of a number of new dwellings located in the wider development scheme to the north. In conclusion, the proposed development is considered to be in keeping with the character and appearance of the street scene in this part of Barnetby.

## Residential amenity

The plans show the provision of two off-street parking spaces to either the front or side of each dwelling and sufficient private amenity space to the rear. The scheme has been designed to ensure there is sufficient separation distance between both the dwellings within the development site and properties located on the new housing estate under construction to the north to prevent overlooking. In addition, bedroom windows are proposed in the upper floor rear elevation of each of the four dwellings that will look out over the rearmost parts of the gardens belonging to existing dwellings on Victoria Road to the east and southeast; however, there is sufficient separation distance to these properties to prevent loss of residential amenity through overlooking or having an overbearing impact. An en-suite window is proposed in the first-floor northern elevation of plot 25; this has an outlook

towards an en-suite window in the southern elevation of plot 24. A condition is therefore recommended that these two en-suite windows are fitted with obscure glazing to a minimum code level 3 of the Pilkington Scale of Obscuration to ensure there is no overlooking between respective windows.

## **Drainage**

It is noted that Skeggar Beck runs parallel to the site along the west/north-west border of the wider development site currently under construction by the same applicant. In addition, the proposed means of surface water drainage is via soakaway (infiltration) with an outfall into Skeggar Beck. The drainage strategy contained within the flood risk assessment for the wider development site showed that a dry pond was proposed within the open space to provide extra storage capacity for the development. A couple of objections have been received, including one from the parish council, that raise issues with this area having a history of localised flooding and that during recent periods of heavy continuous rainfall the dry pond in the adjacent housing development has inundated with water and drainage overflow issues have been experienced. In response to the drainage issues raised by the objectors, it is considered reasonable and necessary to recommend the conditions from LLFA Drainage requiring the submission and implementation of a detailed surface water drainage scheme for the site. This will allow the local planning authority to ensure that the surface water drainage scheme is appropriate to serve the scale of development proposed to prevent flooding to existing dwellings.

In respect of foul drainage, Anglian Water previously confirmed there was available capacity to accommodate the 23 dwellings approved on the wider development site to the north and have raised no objection to the proposed development in this case.

## **Highways**

The proposed means of access to the site is from an existing 10 metre wide vehicular access which served the scaffolding yard. The plans show that the proposed vehicular access will be 5.5 metres in width with the provision of landscaped sections to either side. Highways have raised no objection on pedestrian or highway safety grounds and the width of the proposed vehicular access is sufficient to allow two vehicles to safely pass one another.

The level of off-street parking provision of two spaces per dwelling is considered to be acceptable and the proposed vehicular access would also provide means of access for two existing properties on Victoria Road. The addition of four dwellings to this access road is not considered to result in additional traffic movements which will be to the detriment of highway or pedestrian safety and each plot has sufficient visibility onto the access road.

In summary, the proposed development is not considered to be detrimental to highway or pedestrian safety.

## **Environmental Protection**

Given the previous use of the wider site as a scaffolding yard, there is potential for contamination within the ground layers. However, this part of the land was used as garden to the rear of existing properties and as such the development will not change the sensitivity of the end use – it will remain in use as residential. A contaminated land report has been submitted with the application; this has been reviewed by Environmental Protection as

being acceptable with no conditions recommended for further investigation of the site. A condition is recommended by Environmental Protection, however, that any contamination found during the construction period is investigated.

## **Archaeology**

The applicant has submitted a Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI); this document sets out the programme for archaeological monitoring and recording for the development site and the adjacent site. This document has been reviewed by the Historic Environment Record (HER) as being satisfactory, the archaeological contractor is suitably qualified and conditions are now recommended which secure the implementation of the WSI.

## **Developer contributions**

All the developer contributions have been updated following the acceptance this is piecemeal development and the applicant is seeking to add four additional dwellings to a scheme which has approval for 23 dwellings. With this in mind, an education contribution is required; this is expressed per dwelling, excluding affordable units. The contribution is required to increase primary and secondary school capacity within the area. This contribution is secured in accordance with policy CS27 of the adopted Core Strategy and SPG8 'Developer Contributions to Schools'.

In addition, a contribution of £19,700.20 is sought in relation to improvements to existing open space within Barnetby. Public open space within the area and the financial contributions being sought comply with the requirements of policy H10 of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan and SPG10 'Provision of Open Space in New Housing Developments'. Finally, an additional contribution of £2,576 is sought towards improvements to existing leisure and recreational facilities in Brigg (the Ancholme Leisure Centre). The financial contribution being sought for improvements to leisure facilities complies with policy CS22 of the adopted Core Strategy.

#### **Pre-commencement conditions**

The pre-commencement condition recommended has been agreed with the applicant.

#### Conclusion

The proposed development is within the defined settlement boundary for Barnetby where there is a presumption in favour of sustainable development, and within walking and cycling distance of local services and access to sustainable modes of travel. It has been demonstrated the additional four dwellings can be accommodated on the site without resulting in a contrived form of residential development and can be successfully assimilated into the street scene on visual, highway and residential amenity terms. The proposals have sufficient off-street parking and private amenity provision and on this basis the application is recommended for approval.

## RECOMMENDATION

Subject to the completion of a formal agreement under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 providing for:

a contribution of £47,171.04 in lieu of the on-site provision of affordable housing;

- a contribution of £19,700.20 towards the maintenance of existing off-site open space;
- a contribution of £8,049 per eligible dwelling, with inflation index, towards primary and secondary improvements in specific schools; and
- an additional contribution of £2,576.00 towards the improvement of facilities at the Ancholme Leisure Centre;

#### the committee resolves:

- (i) it is mindful to grant permission for the development;
- (ii) the decision be delegated to the Development Management Lead upon completion of the obligation;
- (iii) if the obligation is not completed by 6 October 2022 the Development Management Lead be authorised to refuse the application on grounds of inadequate contributions towards essential community benefits; and
- (iv) the permission so granted be subject to the following conditions:
- 1.

The development must be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

#### Reason

To comply with section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

2.

The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans: CA/AS/16/104, VR/141/406, VR/141/405, VR/141/407, VR/141/411, VR/141/403, VR/141/404, VR/141/404, VR/141/402, CA/OP/19/103 and MCa/AS/18/101.

#### Reason

For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper planning.

3.

If, during development, any odorous, discoloured or otherwise visually contaminated material is found to be present at the site then no further development shall be carried out until a written method statement detailing how this contamination shall be dealt with has been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority.

#### Reason

To ensure that risks from land contamination to the future users of the land and neighbouring land are minimised, together with those to controlled waters, property and ecological systems, and to ensure that the development can be carried out safely without unacceptable risks to workers, neighbours and other off-site receptors in accordance with policy DS7 of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan.

4.

No loose material shall be placed on any driveway or parking area within 10 metres of the adopted highway unless measures are taken in accordance with details to be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority to prevent the material from spilling onto the highway. Once agreed and implemented these measures shall be retained.

#### Reason

In the interests of highway safety and to comply with policy T19 of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan.

5.

No dwelling on the site shall be occupied until the vehicular access to it and the vehicle parking spaces serving it have been completed and, once provided, the vehicle parking spaces shall be retained.

#### Reason

In the interests of highway safety and to comply with policies T2 and T19 of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan.

6.

No development shall take place a detailed surface water drainage scheme for the site has been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The drainage scheme shall demonstrate that surface water run--off generated up to and including the 1 in 100 year critical storm (including an allowance for climate change which should be based on the current national guidance) will not exceed the run--off from the existing site. It shall also include details of how the resulting completed scheme is to be maintained and managed for the lifetime of the development so that flood risk, both on and off the site, is not increased.

#### Reason

To prevent the increased risk of flooding to themselves and others, to improve and protect water quality, and to ensure the implementation and future maintenance of the sustainable drainage structures in accordance with policy DS16 of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan, policies CS18 and CS19 of the North Lincolnshire Core Strategy, and paragraphs 159 to 169 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

7.

The drainage scheme shall be implemented in accordance with the approved submitted details required by condition 6 of this permission, completed prior to the occupation of any dwelling or building within each phase or sub-phase of the development on site, and thereafter retained and maintained in accordance with the scheme for the life of the development unless otherwise agreed in writing with the local planning authority.

#### Reason

To prevent the increased risk of flooding to themselves and others, to improve and protect water quality, and to ensure the implementation and future maintenance of the sustainable drainage structures in accordance with policy DS16 of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan, policies CS18 and CS19 of the North Lincolnshire Core Strategy, and paragraphs 159 to 169 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

8.

No above-ground works shall take place until details showing an effective method of preventing surface water run-off from hard paved areas within the site onto the highway have been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. These facilities shall be implemented prior to the access and parking facilities being brought into use and thereafter so retained.

#### Reason

In the interests of highway safety and to comply with policy T19 of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan, policies CS18 and CS19 of the North Lincolnshire Core Strategy, and paragraphs 159 to 169 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

9.

No above-ground works shall take place until details showing an effective method of preventing surface water run-off from the highway onto the developed site have been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. These facilities shall be implemented prior to the access and parking facilities being brought into use and thereafter so retained.

#### Reason

To prevent the increased risk of flooding to themselves and others, to improve and protect water quality, and to ensure the implementation and future maintenance of the sustainable drainage structures in accordance with policy DS16 of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan, policies CS18 and CS19 of the North Lincolnshire Core Strategy, and paragraphs 159 to 169 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

10.

Development shall take place in accordance with the archaeological mitigation strategy 'Written Scheme of Investigation for Archaeological Monitoring & Recording: Land Off Victoria Road, Barnetby Le Wold, North Lincolnshire Allen Archaeology Ltd, December 2021'. The applicant shall notify the planning authority in writing of the intention to commence the archaeological site works at least one week/seven days before commencement. Thereafter, the archaeological mitigation strategy shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details and timings.

#### Reason

To comply with paragraph 199 of the National Planning Policy Framework, policy CS6 of the Core Strategy and policy HE9 of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan because the site potentially contains archaeologically significant remains that the development would otherwise destroy; the archaeological mitigation strategy is required in order to preserve archaeological evidence by means of a comprehensive record and creation of a permanent archive, to advance public understanding.

11.

A copy of any analysis, reporting, publication or archiving required as part of the mitigation strategy shall be deposited at the North Lincolnshire Historic Environment Record within six months of commencement of the archaeological programme of work or such other period as may be agreed in writing by the local planning authority.

#### Reason

To comply with paragraph 199 of the National Planning Policy Framework, policy CS6 of the Core Strategy and policy HE9 of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan and place the results of the archaeological mitigation strategy in the public domain in a timely fashion within an agreed timetable.

12.

All the approved landscaping shown on drawing VR/141/405 shall be carried out within 12 months of development being commenced (unless a longer period is agreed in writing by the local planning authority). Any trees or plants which die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased within five years from the date of planting shall be replaced in the next planting season with others of similar size and species to those originally required to be planted, unless the local planning authority agrees in writing to any variation.

#### Reason

To define the terms of the permission and to ensure the timely implementation and maintenance of the approved landscaping scheme.

13.

Construction, demolition and site clearance operations shall be limited to the following days and hours:

- 8am to 6pm Monday to Friday
- 8am to 1pm on Saturdays.

No construction, demolition or site clearance operations shall take place on Sundays or public/bank holidays.

HGV movements shall not be permitted outside these hours during the construction phase without prior written approval from the local planning authority.

Installation of equipment on site shall not be permitted outside these hours without prior written approval from the local planning authority.

#### Reason

To define the terms of the permission and in the interests of safeguarding residential amenity in accordance with policy DS1 of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan.

14.

Before the dwellings are first occupied the en-suite windows in the first-floor southern elevation of plot 24 and in the first-floor northern elevation of plot 25 shall be obscure glazed to a minimum of Privacy Level 3 in accordance with the Pilkington Scale of Obscuration and shall be retained in that condition thereafter.

#### Reason

To protect the living conditions presently enjoyed by the occupants of adjoining properties in accordance with policy DS5 of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan.

#### Informative 1

This application must be read in conjunction with the relevant Section 106 Agreement.

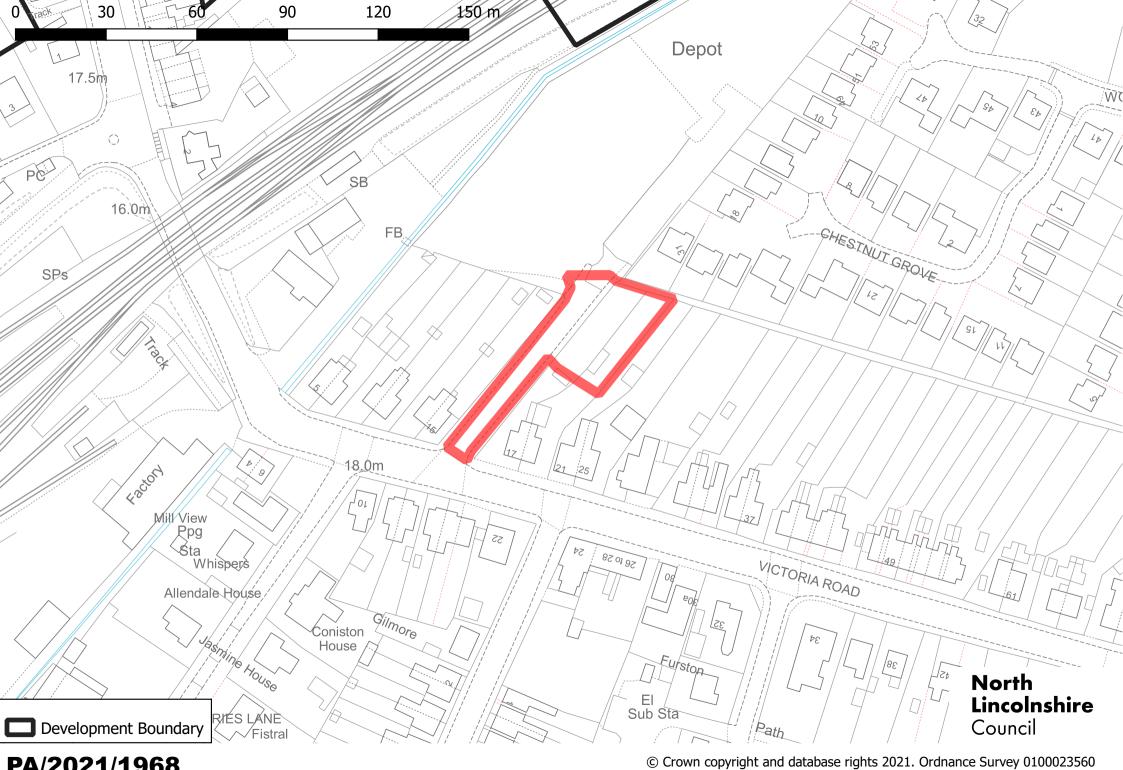
### **Informative 2**

In determining this application, the council, as local planning authority, has taken account of the guidance in paragraph 38 of the National Planning Policy Framework in order to seek to secure sustainable development that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the area.

## **Informative 3**

The development hereby granted planning permission requires works to be carried out within the limits of the adopted (public) highway. Therefore:

- before ANY construction works take place within the limits of the highway you MUST contact the highway authority on telephone number 01724 297000 to arrange for the relevant permissions/licenses to be issued;
- before ANY service (utility) connections take place within the limits of the highway you MUST contact the highway authority on telephone number 01724 297319 to arrange for the relevant permissions/licenses to be issued.



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# PA/2021/1968 Proposed layout (not to scale)



# PA/2021/1968 Proposed plans and elevations (Plot 24) (not to scale)

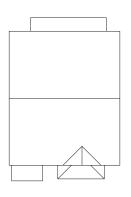








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# PA/2021/1968 Proposed plans and elevations (plot 25) (not to scale)

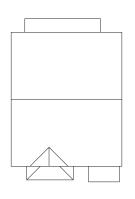








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## PA/2021/1968 Proposed plans and elevations (plots 26 & 27) (not to scale)

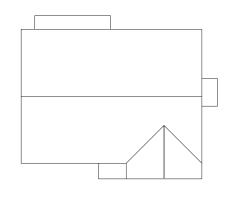








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