The Planning Inspectorate

COMMENTS ON CASE (Online Version)

Please note that comments about this case need to be made within the timetable. This can be found in the notification letter sent by the local planning authority or the start date letter. Comments submitted after the deadline may be considered invalid and returned to sender.

Appeal Reference: APP/L1765/C/20/3256531

DETAILS OF THE CASE	
Appeal Reference	APP/L1765/C/20/3256531
Appeal By	MR NICHOLAS BUTLER
Site Address	Land North of Dradfield Lane Dradfield Lane Soberton Hants SO32 3QD

SENDER DETAILS	
Name	DR KERRY SIMS
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ABOUT YOUR COMMENTS

In what capacity do you wish to make representations on this case?

- Appellant
- Agent
- Mainterested Party / Person
- □ Land Owner
- 🗆 Rule 6 (6)

What kind of representation are you making?

- □ Final Comments
- □ Proof of Evidence
- □ Statement
- $\hfill\square$ Statement of Common Ground
- ☑ Interested Party/Person Correspondence
- Other

YOUR COMMENTS ON THE CASE

I am writing to highlight my support for the actions taken by Winchester City Council (WCC) in relation to this case in serving of this Enforcement Notice. I wrote to the council at the time highlighting my concerns on 27th May 2020. The information provided by the WCC Planning Officer clearly highlights an attempt to use this agricultural land for residential use, which was reflected on Facebook news pages. I am concerned that the modifications made to the site entrance and hard standing are above and beyond that required for holding livestock. I can not see that the necessary adjustments for compliance with the enforcement notice cannot be fulfilled in the three months set out- (the request for 6 months seems unreasonable). The proposal has caused habitat loss and this should be addressed, the gates installed are not in keeping with the rural area and look like security gates designed to screen out an unsightly urban area- certainly not you would expect to see granted planning permission for on this country lane.

It should be noted that there has also been two recent planning applications for the site; 20/01508/FUL, which was refused in relation to the gates and hard standing at the entrance on 11th September 2020, and 20/00117/FUL in January 2020 which includes the intent for buildings on this site (for agricultural use) which was withdrawn. Whilst the latter does not state Nicholas Butler on the applicant details, the applicant details refer to an agent, - it is unclear when the appellant became the owner of the land, and whether this planning application was associated with the development of this site by this individual.