

**WILTSHIRE COUNCIL**

**SOUTHERN AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**29 September 2011**

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**Planning application no. S/2011/476/FULL – Erection of new salt store, bunded loading area and a permanent roof over the existing salt storage area within the depot at Wylye Maintenance Depot, Dyer Lane, Wylye**

Purpose of Report

1. Following a 'Question' asked by Cllr West at the 8 September meeting, to update the Committee on the lighting situation at this site.

Background

2. The Committee will recall that it resolved to grant planning permission for this development on 16 June 2011 subject to an amended condition requiring a lighting scheme to be submitted to, and approved in writing, by the local planning authority; and subject to a report for information being presented to the Committee on the lighting scheme agreed, and the agreed scheme itself being copied to the Parish Council.

3. The Committee minute states the following:

The Planning Officer presented the report which recommended approval. A debate ensued regarding the light pollution issues and it was requested that this needed to be conditioned. It was requested that Officers bring a report for information to the committee on the lighting scheme agreed and this to be copied to the Parish Council.

4. The amended planning condition states the following:

No development shall commence on site until a scheme of external lighting for the whole site has been submitted to and agreed in writing by the local planning authority. The scheme shall provide a net reduction in light spillage from the site in relation to existing lighting. Details shall include plans showing the type of light appliance, the height and position of fitting, illumination levels, light spillage, and hours of operation. The lighting approved shall be installed and shall be maintained in accordance with the approved details, and no additional external lighting shall then be installed at the site.

Reason: In the interests of the amenities of the area and to minimise unnecessary light spillage above and outside the development site.

Current position

5. There is no requirement for the applicant to submit the lighting scheme within a particular timeframe other than it must be prior to the commencement of development. The 'life' of the planning permission is three years. There is no requirement for the applicant to advise the local planning authority when he intends to submit the scheme and/or implement the planning permission.

6. The scheme for the salt dept has not yet been implemented by the applicant. Officers have contacted the applicant and been informed that it is likely that the earliest the scheme will take place is January 2012, However due to funding issues it may well not take place until the new financial year. To date the local planning authority has not received a lighting scheme in accordance with the condition. For these reasons the follow-up report for information has not as yet been prepared or presented to the planning committee.

### **Recommendation**

**This report is for information only.**

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### **Background Papers**

The following unpublished documents have been relied on in the preparation of this report:

None

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