

**Response to Planning Applications to be determined by Maldon District Council.**

Response from: Woodham Walter Parish Council

Planning Application Reference: 23/00306/FUL

Location: The Rookery, Lodge Farm, Old London Road, Woodham Walter

*Our views on the above application are:*

Please tick the appropriate box

1. We recommend the granting of planning permission, for the reasons listed below:

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or

2. We recommend the refusal of planning permission, for the reasons listed below:

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Councillors strongly object to the application.

There has been an unauthorised diversion of Footpath 16 from its definitive line. There is no mention in the application documents regarding the Public Right of Way and we are not aware any application has been made to divert the public footpath under the Highways Act or the Town & Country Planning Act.

The garden area appears to be entirely car park and the overall design is insensitive to the rural setting or to the nature of the original barn from which the property has been recently converted under a COUPA approval in 2018. The treatment of the boundary is not sympathetic to the countryside.

For these reasons the application does not accord with MDC Local Development Plan Policy D1, Design Quality and Built Environment, Policy H4, Effective use of Land and the adopted Woodham Walter Village Design Statement.

or

- 3i. We have no comment

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- 3ii. We raise no objection but wish to make the following comment:

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**\*Reasons for response (Please include the relevant policy in the Submission version of the Local Development Plan i.e. Policy D1 – Design Quality and built Environment, Policy S8 Settlement Boundaries and the Countryside)**

Signed: 

Date: 19/04/2023