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3 December 2025

Dear Councillor,

Site inspection(s) - Tuesday 9 December 2025

The planning committee will be undertaking site inspection(s) at the following site(s).

The inspection(s) will take place from **10.00 am**, on **Tuesday 9 December 2025**. Please note that traffic and conditions may have an impact on the precise start time(s).

Please find attached the relevant location plan(s). Please also find attached an extract from the council's constitution which governs the conduct of site inspections.

SITE INSPECTIONS - CONSTITUTION EXTRACT

1. 10:00 A.M. - 240309 - LAND NORTH OF LEYS HILL, BISHOPSWOOD, ROSS- $_{\rm 9\,-\,10}$ ON-WYE, HEREFORDSHIRE

SITE VISIT 1: 10am

CASE OFFICER: Simon Withers WARD COUNCILLOR: Clir Cole

Application Number: 240309

Site Address: Land North of Leys Hill, Bishopswood, Ross on Wye, Herefordshire

Proposal:. The proposed erection of 2 no. dwellings and associated works

including access, landscaping and drainage

PARKING AND MEET LOCATION

No on road parking.

Car parking has been made available at 'Orchard House' directly opposite the application site.

Car Parking very limited (6 vehicles) please consider parking at site 2 and car sharing.

Postcode: HR9 5QU (this will take you past the site – please check before you

leave)

Googlemaps: https://maps.app.goo.gl/4oBhd28EAdwkBvRg8

What3words: https://w3w.co/shippers.yard.zooms





Approx. 30 min drive to site Visit 2

2. 11:00 A.M. - 230432 - LAND TO THE REAR OF PROSPECT PLACE, ST $_{\rm 11-12}$ MARTINS AVENUE, HEREFORD

SITE VISIT 2: 11am

CASE OFFICER: Josh Bailey WARD COUNCILLOR: CIIr Tillett

Application Number: 230432

Site Address: Land to the rear if Prospect Place, St Martins Avenue, Hereford **Proposal:** Proposed erection of 7 townhouses with associated development. See application at: <u>Planning Application Details - Herefordshire Council</u>

PARKING AND MEET LOCATION

Please meet at St Martins Car park (Hereford Leisure Pool), **HR2 7RQ** PAY AND DISPLAY / JUST PARK (not sure about your passes)

Google Maps: https://maps.app.goo.gl/vkNNEb4AnxaVg2VT9

What3words: https://w3w.co/gifted.exit.beast

The case officer will meet you on St Martins Avenue (Yellow star) before accessing the site.

There will be some walking on uneven ground. Please wear suitable footwear



Approx. 35 - 40 min drive to site Visit 2

3. 12:15 P.M. - 243059 - LAND AT GRENDON MANOR FARM, BREDENBURY, 13 - 14 BROMYARD, HR7 4TH

SITE VISIT 3: 12.15pm

CASE OFFICER: Amber Morris WARD COUNCILLOR: CIIr Baker

Application Number: 243059

Site Address: Land at Grendon Manor Farm, Bredenbury, Bromyard, HR7 4TH

Proposal: The erection of one self build agricultural workers dwelling and

associated works

See application at: Planning Application Details - Herefordshire Council

PARKING AND MEET LOCATION

Postcode - HR7 4TH (will take you to the dwellings opposite side of the A44 - see

below)

Google Maps: https://maps.app.goo.gl/2gZgBJc2xL7VwL3T6

What3words: https://w3w.co/apply.affirming.shrubbery

Meet at yellow star.







4. PLANNING APPLICATION - 242748 - 30 SOUTH STREET, LEOMINSTER, HEREFORDSHIRE, HR6 8JB

No site visit is planned for application 242748 (Agenda Item 8).

Should members wish to go and view the surrounding area then the details are as follows. All visible from the public domain / footpaths. Parking at Aldi or other local car parks.

Google Map - https://maps.app.goo.gl/5dTYLhhgbVL4NYEV7 Postcode - HR6 8JB







Ward:

Yours sincerely,

Matthew Evans

Democratic services officer

c.c. Local ward member(s) and parish/town council(s)

PLANNING AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE EXTRACT FROM THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION SITE INSPECTIONS

5.6.12 Site Inspections

5.6.13 Site Inspections by the committee can be helpful in reaching a decision on issues where site circumstances are clearly fundamental to the decision. This is true particularly when the issues concern, for example, visual impact, the character of an historic building or the effect of development on local amenity. However, site inspections are costly, cause delay to decisions and are an unsuitable place for holding a reasoned debate.

The criteria for holding site inspections are:

- (a) the character or appearance of the development itself is a fundamental planning consideration; or
- (b) a judgement is required on visual impact; or
- (c) the setting and surroundings are fundamental to the determination or to the conditions being considered, and cannot reasonably be made without visiting the site in question.

The chairperson of the planning committee and the assistant director Environment and place will determine which applications will be the subject of a prior site inspection. This does not prevent any member of the committee requesting a site inspection of a site at the committee meeting when it has not already been visited by this procedure.

- 5.6.14 Site Inspections should not be held when inspection of the site is irrelevant to the material conditions. Any member of the committee may request a site inspection, but reasons based on the above criteria must be stated.
- The purpose of the site visit is fact finding. Officers will be able to point out relevant features of the site and surroundings. You will be able to see the physical features of the site and ask questions through the chairperson or the officers to seek clarification. Neither the applicant/agent nor third parties will be allowed to participate in the site inspection. The input of these parties is made at the committee meeting itself. At the discretion of the chairperson of the planning and regulatory committee the appropriate parish or town council may be invited to observe the inspection. In these circumstances the parish or town council may not contribute to the opportunity to ask questions of officers on site.
- 5.6.16 No discussion of the merits of the case is permitted at site inspections and all questions from you will be put through the chairperson.
- 5.6.17 The visiting party will stay together as a group. Wherever possible the party should arrive at and leave the site together.
- 5.6.18 As a member of the planning and regulatory committee when on site visits you should not make any comments that could create an impression that you had

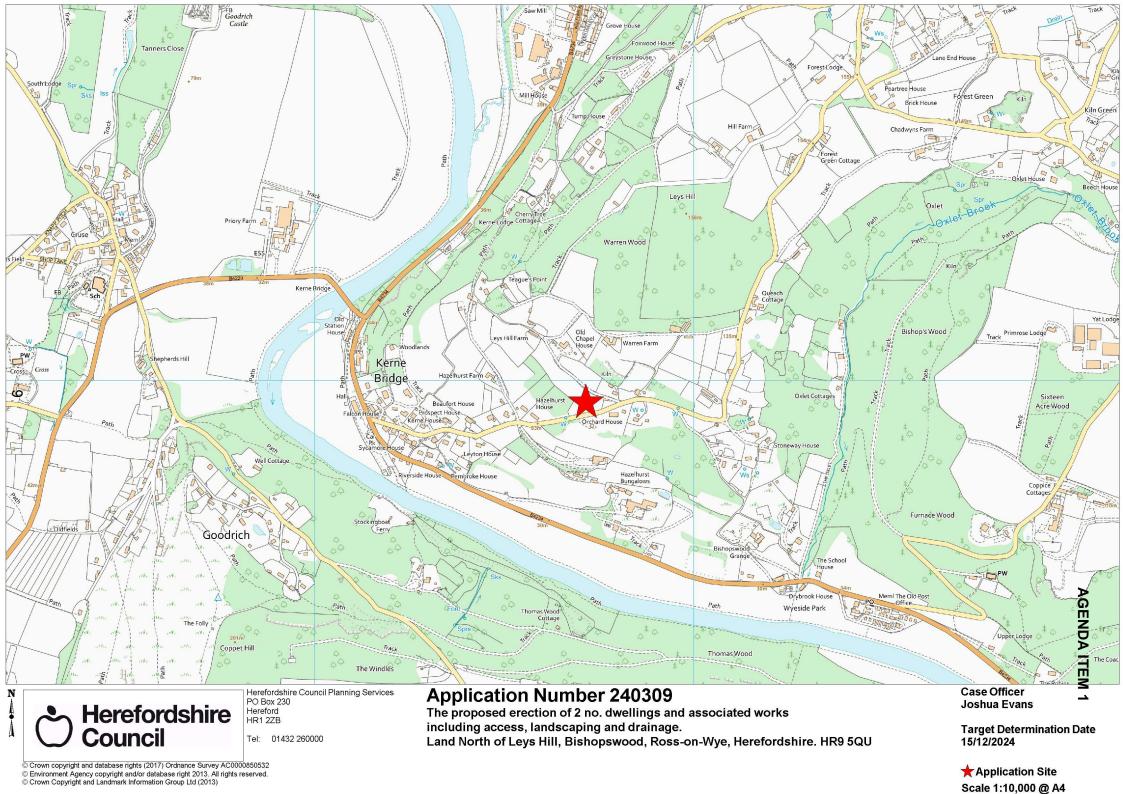
already formed a view on the merits of the application. No decision on the application should be made until the meeting of the planning and regulatory committee at which the application is to be considered, when they will have before them all necessary information to be able to make an informed decision, including any material facts arising from the site visit which the assistant director environment and place considers should be reported to the committee.

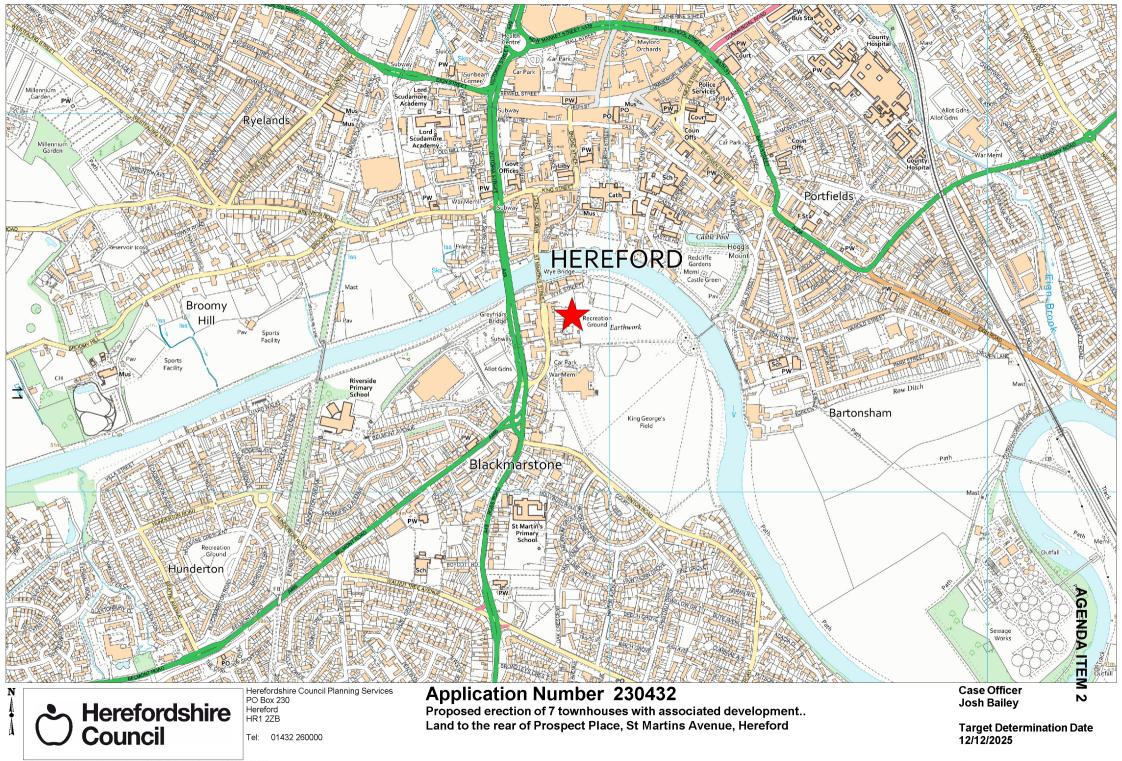
5.6.19 Conduct of visits

- (a) visits will be conducted in a formal manner.
- (b) the chairperson or vice-chairperson will open the visit and remind members of its purpose and conduct.
- (c) Officers will highlight issues **relevant to site inspection**. If issues are raised which necessitate consultation with the applicant or his agent, this should be done after the close of the visit and the outcome reported to the subsequent committee.
- (d) Ward members will be invited to site inspections in their wards and asked to highlight local issues relevant to the site inspection.
- (e) the chairperson or vice-chairperson will close the visit.

5.6.20 General matters

- (a) No decision will be made concerning the application on site.
- (b) no formal notes will be made.
- (c) no hospitality will be accepted.
- 5.6.21 If you find it necessary to visit a site alone (perhaps because it was not possible for you to attend a committee visit), you should view the site only from public vantage points, seek to avoid any discussion with interested parties, and, if there is such discussion, make it clear that no decision on the application will be taken until it has been discussed at committee.





★Application Site

Scale 1:10,000 @ A4

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