# Consultee Comments for Planning Application 18/00840/OUTMEI

## **Application Summary**

Application Number: 18/00840/OUTMEI

Address: Land North Of Browns Lane Tamworth Staffordshire

Proposal: Outline application for up to 210 dwellings, public open space, landscaping, sustainable

urban drainage, access, and associated infrastructure. (All matters reserved except access).

Case Officer: Michael Brereton

### **Consultee Details**

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#### **Comments**

Considerations: Urban Design, Setting of CA

Comments:

### Conservation Area.

An amended Heritage Statement has been submitted. This is thorough and concludes that the proposed development would cause less than substantial harm to the significance of the conservation area. I concur with this conclusion for the reasons given in previous comments in particular those on the 26/6/18 of which a paragraph is repeated below.

Wigginton is situated on a spur of land which sits above the surrounding open countryside. The existing urban edge of Tamworth is clearly visible from many places in and around the conservation area as this also sits on a raised area of land above the surrounding open countryside. The village has a strong agricultural history with 3 historic farmsteads surviving and the village is surrounded on most sides by ridge and furrow. The village is sited along the medieval trade route of the Portway which ran from Tamworth to the River Mease in Edingale. Views of Tamworth from Wigginton Conservation Area are distant and softened by mature trees and vegetation so that the roofs of the houses are only partly visible. The encroachment of the proposed development on the conservation area would shorten these views and so diminish the rural setting of the conservation area.

As such paragraph 196 of the NPPF would apply and this harm would have to be given significant weight in the planning balance.

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