

PL/19/0774/EU | Application for a Certificate of Lawful Development for existing use : To confirm that the occupancy conditions (5 and 6) in relation to planning permission ER/1466/68 have been breached for a period of at least 10 years and are therefore no longer enforceable. | Cliveden Stud House Cliveden Road Taplow Buckinghamshire SL6 0HL

The Hitcham and Taplow Society objects to this application.

The Society has been in existence for over 50 years. It has a main objective to ensure that all development within the district is of the highest standard and preserves the quality of the environment. It represents a significant proportion of the residents of Taplow.

We contend that the documents supplied with the application absolutely fail to establish the ten year breach.

Whilst they may show that at some point the house may have been let in breach, no evidence is supplied to show the continuous ten year breach necessary for the claim.

Many of the documents alleged to be leases appear to be invalid, lacking necessary dates and signatures. Many also appear irrelevant to the case.

The applicant appears to claim that his own occupancy was part of the breach but he was never the less leasing other parts of the estate for equestrian purposes, thus admitting that he was in fact concerned with these activities. It is not even clear that he was in fact resident as he consistently uses another address for documents during this time.

Other contributor letters on the application contain personal assertions attesting to the property being empty at times during the ten years in question.

We are extremely concerned that this application is part of a series of applications and actions to subvert the existing planning restrictions on the Cliveden Stud in an attempt to move it to commercial development. Earlier applications have been refused and enforcement actions have been necessary on a number of occasions.

Regardless of the outcome of this case we believe it imperative that SBDC investigate as a matter of urgency the occupational status of all other dwellings on the estate to ensure that no application similar to this one can succeed in future through lack of supervision by SBDC.

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