APPENDIX I

APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

Reference 17/01062/FUL Nature of Development
Erection of two dwellinghouses

Land North West of 1 Whitesomehill Farm Cottages, Duns

Decision: APPROVED Subject to the provision of satisfactory evidence confirming that neighbouring land is available to accommodate the proposed drainage arrangements (delegated to Officers to resolve), a legal agreement and the following conditions and informatives:

Conditions

- The development hereby permitted shall not be carried out otherwise than in complete accordance with the plans and specifications approved by the Planning Authority, unless otherwise agreed by the Planning Authority.
 Reason: To ensure that the development is carried out in accordance with the approved details.
- 2. The development hereby approved shall only be carried out in strict accordance with details of the materials to be used on the external walls and roof of the proposed building(s), which shall first have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority, unless otherwise agreed by the Planning Authority. Reason: To ensure a satisfactory form of development which contributes appropriately to its setting and to the setting of nearby listed buildings.
- 3. The roofing material shall be natural slate. A slate sample shall be made available on-site for the prior approval of the Planning Authority, and thereafter, the development shall be completed using the approved materials. Reason: To ensure a satisfactory form of development which contributes appropriately to its setting, and to the setting of nearby listed buildings.
- 4. No development shall commence until details of the design and finish of windows and doors have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The development to be completed wholly in accordance with the approved details thereafter.
 - Reason: To ensure a satisfactory form of development which contributes appropriately to its setting, and to the setting of nearby listed buildings.
- 5. No development shall commence until precise details of the design of the eaves on the buildings hereby approved have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority. The development to be carried out wholly in accordance with the approved details thereafter.
 - Reason: To ensure a satisfactory form of development which contributes appropriately to its setting, and to the setting of nearby listed buildings.
- 6. Prior to the commencement of development, the finish and colour of all external joinery and rainwater goods shall be agreed in writing with the Planning Authority. The development to be completed wholly in accordance with the approved details thereafter.
 - Reason: To ensure a satisfactory form of development which contributes appropriately to its setting, and to the setting of nearby listed buildings.
- 7. Notwithstanding the details shown on the approved drawings, no development shall commence until the precise siting and design of the proposed oil tanks, including any

fence, wall or other means of enclosure, have been submitted to and agreed in writing by the Planning Authority. The scheme of details required by this condition shall indicate the proposed oil tanks set away from the public road, closer to the proposed houses and thereafter the development shall be completed wholly in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To ensure a satisfactory form of development which contributes appropriately to its setting, the setting of nearby listed buildings, and in the interests of road safety.

8. The frames of the Solar PV panels hereby approved shall be coloured non-reflective black.

Reason: To ensure a satisfactory form of development which contributes appropriately to its setting.

9. The details, including materials, of all boundary walls and/or fences shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority before the development is commenced. The development shall be completed wholly in accordance with the approved details thereafter.

Reason: To ensure a satisfactory form of development which contributes appropriately to its setting, and to the setting of nearby listed buildings.

- 10. No development is to commence until a report has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Planning Authority that the public mains water supply is available and can be provided for the development. Prior to the occupation of the building(s), written confirmation shall be provided to the approval of the Planning Authority that the development has been connected to the public mains water supply. Reason: To ensure that the Development is adequately serviced with a sufficient supply of wholesome water and there are no unacceptable impacts upon the amenity
- 11. No water supply other than the public mains shall be used to supply the Development without the written agreement of the Planning Authority.

 Reason: To ensure that the Development is adequately serviced with a sufficient supply of wholesome water and there are no unacceptable impacts upon the amenity of any neighbouring properties.
- 12. No development shall commence until the existing junction warnings signs have been replaced with new warning signs of a specification outlined in informative 3 and which shall first be agreed in writing with the Planning Authority, unless otherwise agreed by the planning authority.

Reason: in the interests of road safety.

of any neighbouring properties.

- 13. No development shall commence until a visibility splay of 2.4m by 160m to the north have been provided. Thereafter, the visibility splay shall be retained in perpetuity. Reason: in the interests of road safety.
- 14. No development shall commence until a detailed engineering drawing showing the junction of the vehicular access with the existing public road, together with any other alterations to the public road arising from the development and off-street parking areas has been submitted to and approved in writing by the planning authority. Thereafter no development shall take place except in strict accordance with the approved details. The vehicular access and parking areas shall be constructed prior to the occupation of the first dwellinghouse and be retained in perpetuity thereafter. Reason: In the interests of road safety and to ensure adequate access and parking is made available.

15. Vehicular access to the rear of Whitsomehill Cottages shall be retained in perpetuity. Reason: to ensure the amenity of neighbouring residents is protected, and in the interests of road safety.

Informatives

- Private drainage systems often cause public health problems when no clear responsibility or access rights exist for maintaining the system in a working condition. Problems can also arise when new properties connect into an existing system and the rights and duties have not been set down in law. The applicant should satisfy themselves that the maintenance duties on each dwelling served by the system have been clearly established by way of a binding legal agreement. Access rights should also be specified.
- 2. The application area coincides with the location of former farm cottages which were demolished at some point in the latter half of the 20th century. These appear clearly on historic mapping through the middle of the 20th century, along with later 19th century out-buildings. The cottages were of the same date (early 19th century), and likely design, as the existing Listed group. There is likely to be below ground archaeology pertaining to the former cottages and associated activities. The remains would be of local significance and historic interest. The entrance into the site potentially cuts across the north gable end of the former cottages with the bulk of the remains within a gravel parking area. Much of the archaeological remains can be protected in situ within this arrangement. It is advised that the in situ survival of any below ground archaeology should be sought by limiting excavations in the area of the former cottages to top-soil depth (approx. 300-400mm). If excavation below this is required an archaeological watching brief may be needed.
- 3. The existing junction warning signs to be replaced with sign diagram 504.1 (900mm) of the Traffic Signs and General Directions 2016 in consultation with the Council's Road Safety section prior to occupation of the first dwellinghouse.
- 4. A visibility splay of 2.4m by 160m to the north to be provided prior to commencement of development and retained thereafter in perpetuity. This will involve the removal of at least one roadside tree.
- 5. The first 5m of the access to be surfaced to the Roads Authority's specification i.e. 40mm of 14mm size close graded bituminous surface course to BS 4987 laid on 60mm of 20mm size dense binder course (basecourse) to the same BS laid on 350mm of 100mm broken stone bottoming blinded with sub-base, type 1.
- 6. Only contractors first approved by the Council may work within the public road boundary.
- 7. It is understood that broadband connection to Whitsomehill Farm Cottages is provided by line of sight radio link from a site at Ravelaw to the north-west of the application site. The applicant/developer should satisfy himself that these third party rights are not adversely affected by the proposed development and that, if necessary, satisfactory alternatives are put in place so that existing users of this service are not compromised.

VOTE

Councillor Small, seconded by Councillor Mountford moved that the application be approved as per the Officer recommendation.

Councillor Laing, seconded by Councillor Ramage, moved as an amendment that the application be refused on the grounds that it was contrary to Policies PMD2 and HD3 in

that it failed to respect neighbouring uses and would detrimentally impact on residential amenity.

On a show of hands Members voted as follows:-

Motion - 6 votes Amendment - 2 votes

The motion was accordingly carried.

<u>NOTE</u>

Mr Andrew Lothian spoke against the application.

Ms Laura Dixon, Agent - spoke in support of the application.