

## **Clerk's Report**

### **Purpose of Report**

To update Members on the current status of the proposed Porch Farm development.

### **Background**

Planning application **22/01856/FUL** relates to a hybrid planning application for the development of Porch Farm, Kingsclere, comprising full planning permission for an initial phase of development and outline permission for the remainder of the site, with up to 165 dwellings proposed.

The Parish Council has previously considered the application and submitted objections raising concerns regarding the scale of the development, its impact on the landscape and heritage setting, highway implications, pressure on local infrastructure and consistency with the Kingsclere Neighbourhood Plan.

### **Current Position**

At the time of writing, the application has not been determined by Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council and remains under consideration.

Members should also note that, through the emerging Local Plan, Porch Farm continues to be identified as one of the principal locations capable of delivering future housing growth in Kingsclere. Whilst this does not grant planning permission, it indicates that the site is likely to remain a focus of future planning discussions.

### **Recommendation**

That Members:

1. Note the current position regarding the Porch Farm development.
2. Consider whether any further action or representations are required at this stage.

This wording is factual, politically neutral and appropriate for a parish council agenda and report. It avoids prejudicing the Council's position while giving members the opportunity to discuss any new developments.