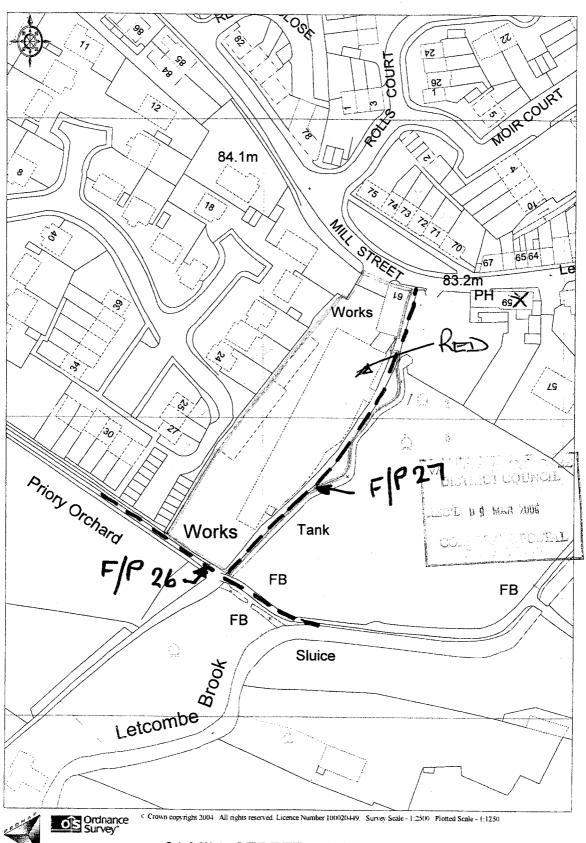
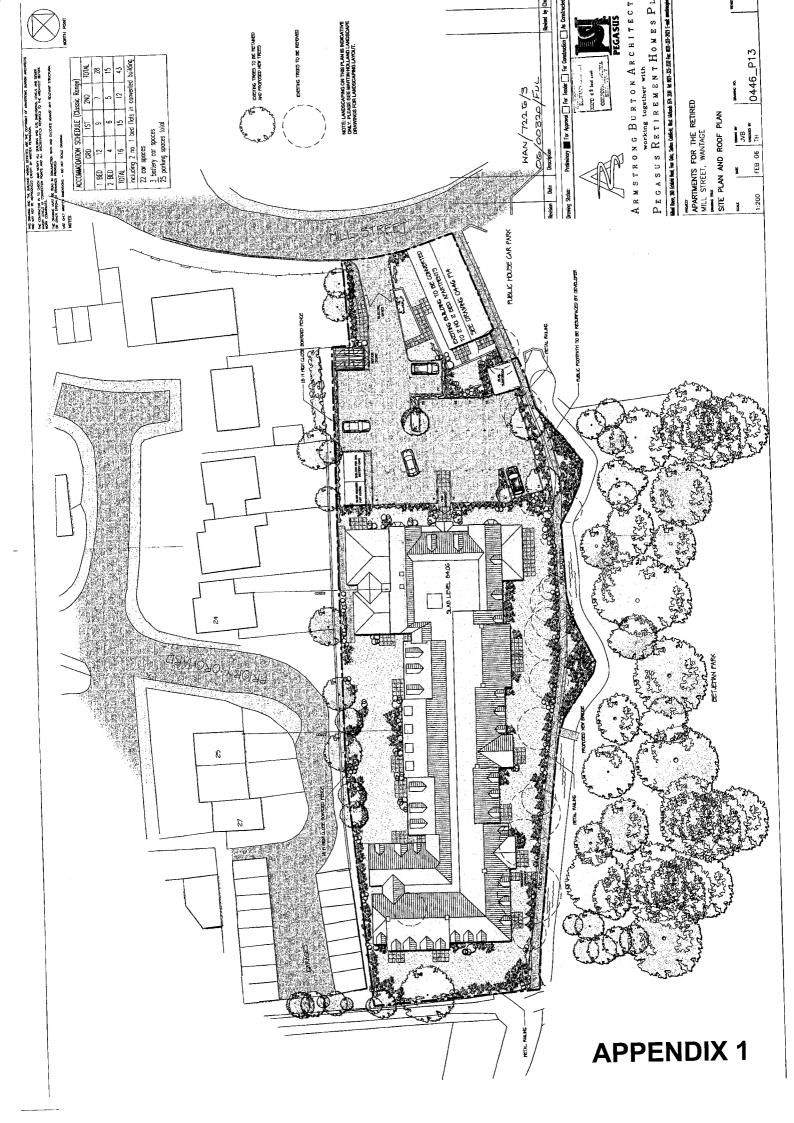
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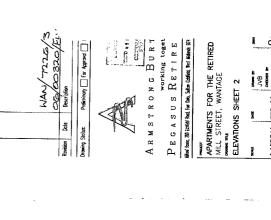
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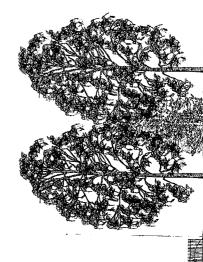
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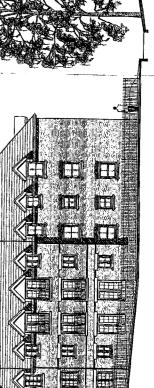


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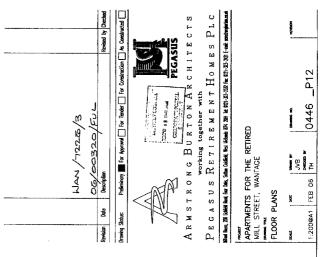
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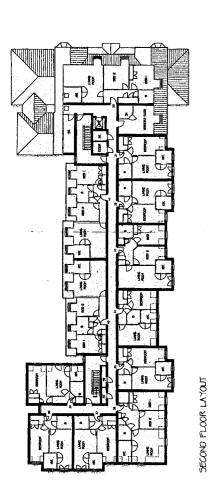


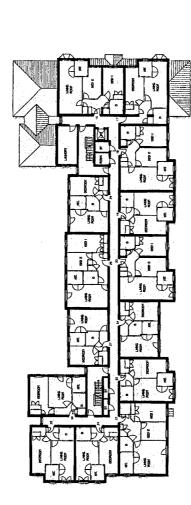
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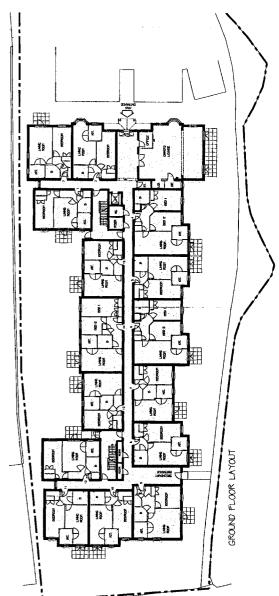
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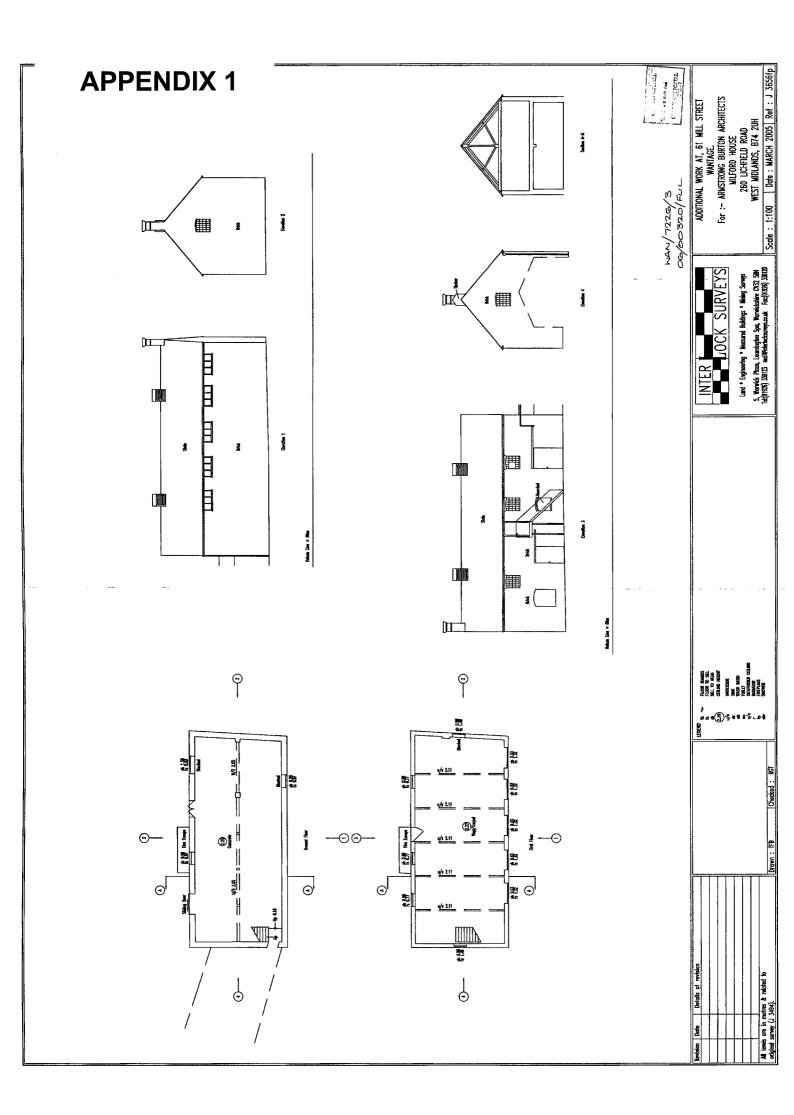


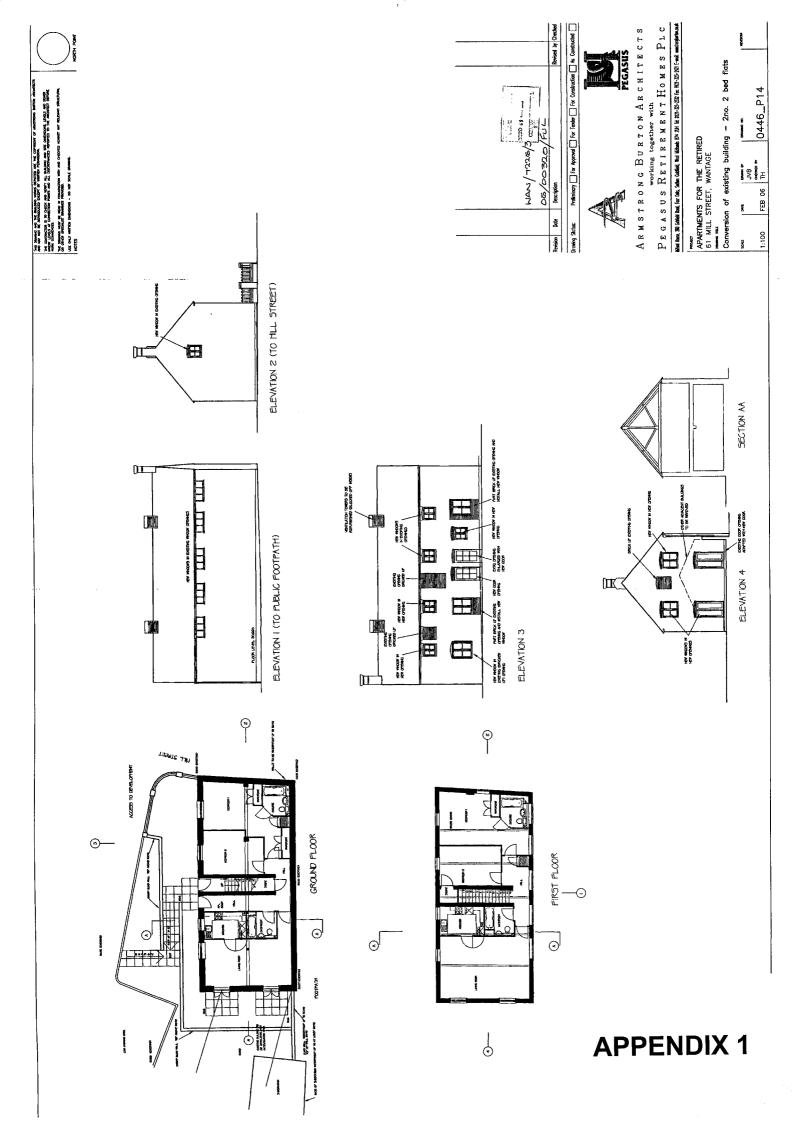


FIRST FLOOR LAYOUT



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John Rawling MA MRTPl Director of Environmental Services

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

NOTICE OF REFUSAL

To

Pegasus Retirement Homes Plc C/o Tanner & Tilley 4 Beresford Road Bournemouth Dorset BH6 5AA

Application No:

WAN/7226/1

Proposal;

Erection of a two storey block and 2/3 storey block of 44 apartments for the retired together with residents lounge, guest suite, estate managers office, access and parking provisions (Existing workshops to be demolished)

Address:

61 Mill Street Wantage Oxon OX12 9AN

DATE OF DECISION:

10th March 2005

The Vale of White Horse District Council, in pursuance of powers under the Above Act, hereby **REFUSE** to permit the above development in accordance with the plans and application submitted by you, for the reasons specified hereunder:

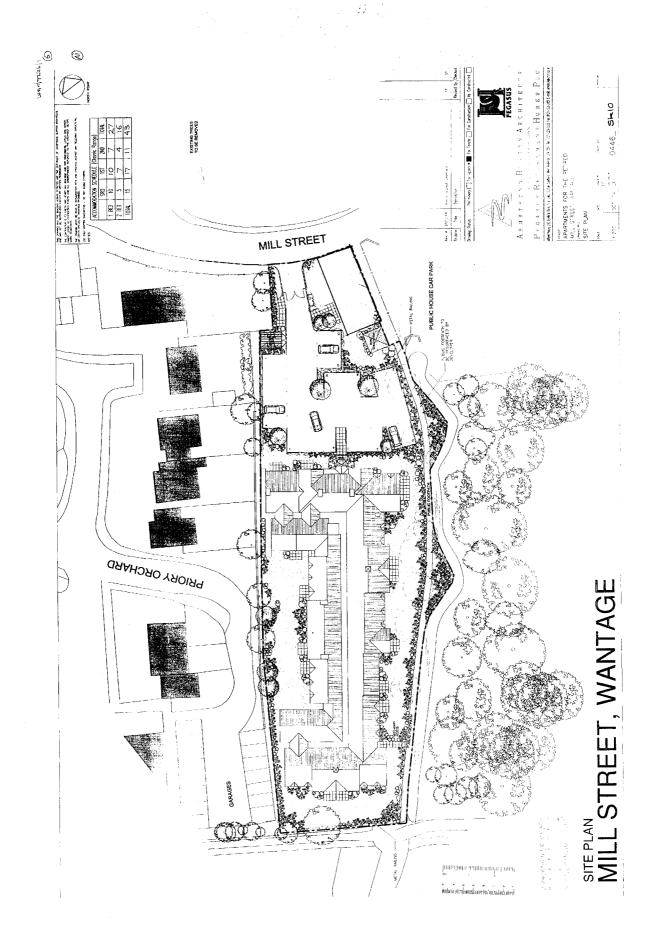
- 1 The proposed development by reason of its scale, massing, and design, and loss of the existing building on the Mill Street frontage, is considered to be harmful to, and out of character with the Conservation Area, in particular in terms of its impact on the adjacent Betjeman Park. As such it is contrary to the Development Plan including Policies HE1, HE2, HE5, and HE6 of the adopted Vale of White Horse Local Plan and Policies HE1 and HE2 of the Second Deposit Draft Local Plan.
- 2 The proposed development by reason of its scale, massing, size and location is considered to have a harmful overbearing dominating and intrusive impact on the nearby residential amenities of houses backing on to the site. As such it is unacceptable and contrary to the Development Plan including Policies D1 and D2 in the adopted Vale of White Horse Local Plan and Policy DC1 of the Second Deposit Draft Local Plan.
- 3 The site is located in Flood Zone 3 which is the high risk zone. In the absence of a comprehensive flood risk assessment as required by PPG25 it has not been Vale of White Horse District Council, PO Box 127, Abbey House, Abindon OX 14 3 INI
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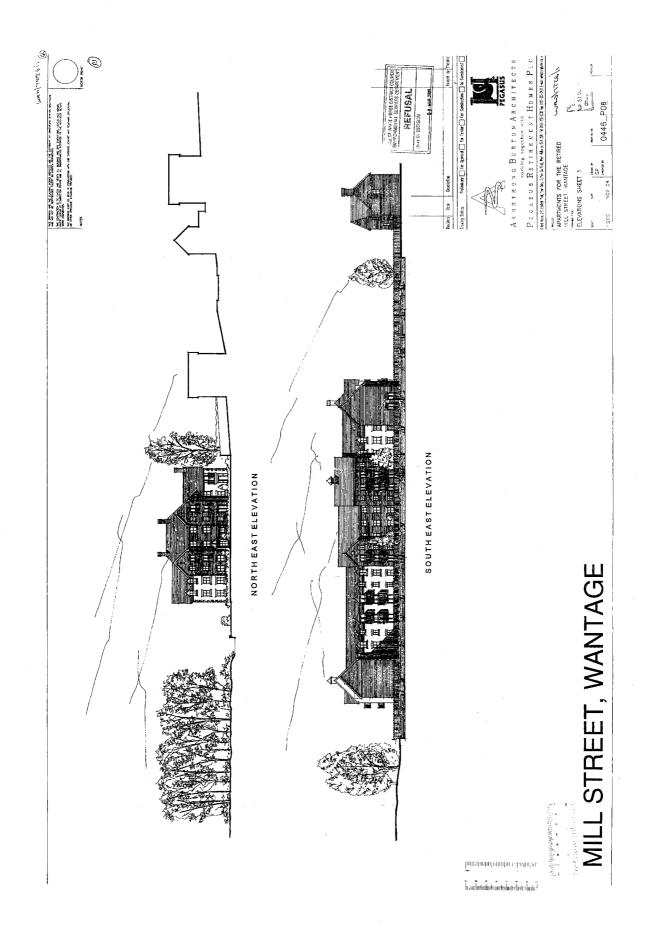


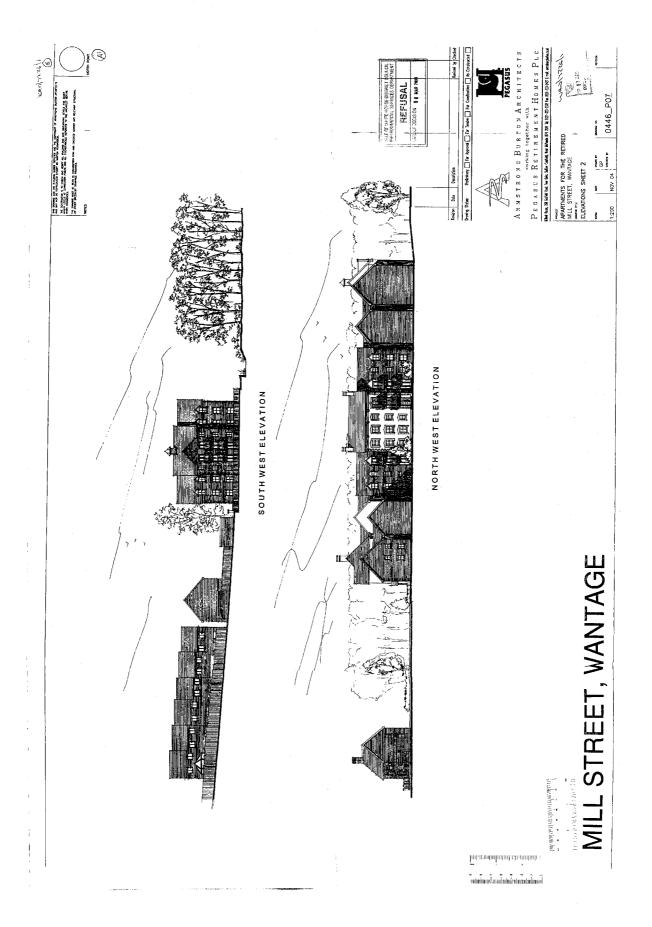
demonstrated that the proposed development will not increase the risk of flooding on the site or that sufficient flood protection measures have been considered. As such the proposal is contrary to the adopted Vale of White Horse Local Plan in particular Policy D16 and the Second Deposit Draft Local Plan in particular Policy DC13.

4 In the absence of any information relating to traffic generation created by the proposed use, the provision of adequate visibility splays at the site access, and the lack of footway provision between the site and the town centre, it has not been demonstrated that the development would not be harmful to highway safety. As such, the proposed development is contrary to the adopted Vale of White Horse Local Plan in particular Policy D3 and the Second Deposit Draft Local Plan in particular Policy DC5.

Director of Environmental Services









PARISH/TOWN COUNCIL RESPONSE FORM

Please select the response that most accurately reflects yours views on this application by

VALE OF WHITE HORSE DISTRICT COUNCIL REC'D 1 1 APR 2006 CORPORATE POSTAL SERVICES - 7

The observations of Wantage Register No. 06/00321/CON

Parish/Town Council
Officer Miss Laura Hudson

Application Number WAN/7226/4-CA

Amended plans yes/no

Address of Proposal 61 Mill Street, Wantage, Oxon, OX12 9AN,

1.	Fully Support for the following reasons:
2.	No objections.
3.	Do not object but request the following issues be given consideration:
4	Object for the following reasons
	See attached.

(g) WAN/7226/3 & 4-CA - Development of retirement homes. 61 Mill Street, Wantage, for Pegasus Homes.

Object for the following reasons.

- We would not wish to see the loss of any more employment sites in the town.
- The site is not a suitable place for retirement homes with its poor pedestrian and vehicular access.
- Access to town centre amenities can only be achieved via going up a hill.
- The development has a detrimental effect on properties in Priory Orchard with potential loss of privacy and amenity.
- The plans do not show extensions to those properties and therefore the gap is smaller than indicated on the plans.
- The density of the development is far too high and represents over-development.
- The site is important in the way it affects the adjoining area with the public house and Betjeman Park. The development needs to be more sympathetic to the locality.
- Although the developer claims that the proposals reflect the local vernacular, it is not evident to this Council.
- There remains concerns about eh impact of the development on the local environment with regard the brook and wildlife. Guidance and advice should be sought from Sally Wallington, the Letcombe Brook Project Officer.
- Although access is being provided into the Betjeman Park, its does not represent a suitable pedestrian access at night or in winter conditions.
- There are extreme concerns about the pedestrian and vehicular access from Mill Street. There is a lack of suitable pavements for pedestrians and to accommodate old people's electric buggies. There is a need to provide some form of crossing and possibly a mini roundabout. There is a need to slow traffic speeds in Mill Street.
- Given all the points above the Council is doubtful sufficient could be done to make the site suitable for use by the elderly.
- There are concerns about flooding in this area. Are the sewers and surface water drains sufficient to cope?
- There is a need to strictly control what trees would be removed from the site as many of these as possible should be retained. The advice and guidance of Sally Wallington should be sought concerning this.
- We remain sceptical about whether the level of parking is suitable for the number of residents and visitors invoilved. There is a need to provide accommodation / parking for electric buggies.



APPENDIX 4

RD Hampshire Crime Prevention Design Advisor for Oxfordshire



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Date 4 April, 2006 For 'Secured by Design' standards and application forms, visit www.securedbydesign.com

To Miss L Hudson Vale of White Horse District Council Environmental Services Directorate PO Box 127, The Abbey House Abingdon Oxfordshire OX14 3JN

Your ref: WAN/7226/3 My ref: VALE/9/06-4/04

Dear Madam

Re: 61 Mill Street, Wantage

Thank you for your letter informing me of this planning application, my comments are as follows: -

- 1.1. As this property is adjacent to a public footpath and one where in the past there have been anti-social acts occurring, especially with young people and some from the nearby public house. I would ask that the perimeter railing fence is 1.8m high. I also suggest that the developers plant prickly shrubs on the inner boundary to the fence.
- 1.2. I am pleased to see that this is to be a 'gated community' as these developments can be at risk of crime or anti-social behaviour. Therefore the electronic gates are welcome and these should be extended to include the two pedestrian entrances. If they are not secure then the public will be using the home as a shortcut to the public footpath network. This will cause anxiety and a 'fear of crime' to the residents.
- 1.3. The plans I have do not show the lighting scheme but I would recommend a lighting around the entire building and especially in the car park.
- 1.4. At paragraph 5.3. of the design statement I am pleased to see the inclusion of paragraph 37 of PPS1. The document as quoted 'Safer Places The Planning System and Crime Prevention. Advises that all planning applications should demonstrate how crime prevention measures have been considered. As these do not appear to have been included and to ensure the safety of the residents I would ask that a planning condition that requires the applicant to achieve the Secured By Design Award.

Justifications

Secured by Design Award On pages 49-51 of 'Safer Places – The Planning System and Crime Prevention' it recommends planning conditions and suggest ensuring British Standard Door Sets and windows. The Secured by Design Award requires these same standards and I would ask for a planning condition which they are required to obtain.

The following is an extract of the suggested wording for a condition that the development achieves the 'Secured By Design' Award.

'The Development hereby approved shall incorporate measures to minimise the risk of crime and to meet the specific security needs of the application site and the development. Any security measures to be implemented in compliance with this condition shall seek to achieve the 'Secured by Design' accreditation awarded by the Thames Valley Police. Written confirmation of those measures are to be provided to the Council, as the local planning authority.

Reason - In pursuance of the Council's duty under section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 to consider crime and disorder implications in exercising its planning functions; to promote the well being of the area in pursuance of the Council's powers under section 2 of the Local Government Act 2000, and to reflect the guidance contained in PPS1 "Delivering Sustainable Development".

Yours sincerely

RD Hampshire

Crime Prevention Design Advisor for Oxfordshire

Copy to Mr J Montgomery – Tanner & Tilley

This letter has been copied to the applicant or their agent who is asked to note that the above comments may be a material consideration in the determination of the application but may not necessarily be acceptable to the Local Planning Authority. It is recommended therefore that the applicant or their agent first discuss these comments with the Local Planning Authority.

"Crime prevention advice is given free without the intention of creating a contract. Neither do the Home Office nor the Police Service take any legal responsibility for the advice given." This survey/advice is based on information supplied by yourself and current crime trends in the area concerned. I can only give a view on what measures might reduce the risk of crime and there can be no guarantee that the measures will prevent crime.

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12 April 2006 Your ref **WAN/7226/3**

VALE OF WHITE HORSE DISTRICT COUNCIL

REC'D 13 APR 2006

CORPORATE FOSTAL SERVICES - 8

For the attention of Alison Blyth

Assistant Director (Planning)
The Vale of White Horse District Council
PO Box 127
The Abbey House
ABINGDON OX14 3JN

FAX AND POST

Dear Sir

re: 61 Mill Street, Wantage

Conversion of workshop building to form 2 apartments and erection of 2/3 storey building comprising 41 apartments for the retired together with residents lounge, guest suite, estate managers office, access and parking provisions.

Existing workshops to be demolished.)

Thank you for the drawings of the above project received from Mr Nedelkoff which were discussed at the Architects Panel meeting on 5 April on which you have requested design comments.

This is a site where a substantial sheltered housing block was refused planning permission about a year ago, in part I understand because of an unsatisfactory relationship with the residential development in Priory Orchard.

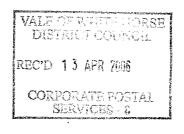
My reservations about that earlier scheme focussed primarily on the need for everyone to enter the complex through a congested parking area. That remains a feature of this scheme but it may have been accepted as an inevitability if sheltered housing is to be achieved on this site. The secondary access to the footpath along the stream does offer residents a choice, and is to be welcomed.

This proposal includes retaining the simple old brick building on the frontage. Since this is valuable in townscape terms I regard this as an improvement, albeit one that needs to be improved further by better treatment of the openings proposed, as the Panel members pointed out at some length. I share their view that a simple boundary wall to the access would be preferable to what is shown on drawing P14.

As before the designers have used various visual devices to help conceal the true bulk of the main block. Given the difficulties often experienced with integrating this scale of retirement housing with its surroundings I continue to think that it is an approach which is justifiable.

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12 April 2006

In many ways it seems to me even promising, apart from the intense concentration of half-dormers on the southwest elevation. Could the eaves of the projecting element be lowered slightly to allow the two kitchens to have rooflights?

The footpath along the little watercourse is an attractive route, and the relationship of the proposed development to it merits careful consideration. To my mind (and subject to appropriate materials) there is merit in restricting the outlook from it by a wall along the side of the parking area. There is I think merit also in the substation's treatment as shown, even if some of the gear may be visible above the wall. I consider that the visual experience of the path would be enhanced by passing these almost harsh features and then coming upon the landscaped area in front of the housing. The sense of surprise, even delight, could be very successful.

If that impact is to be maximised railings in my judgement are the appropriate treatment of this boundary, and like certain members of the Panel I believe there would be significant benefit in choosing one of the patterns found along the paths nearby. I go further and think there could be advantage in not setting them on a plinth wall – the sense of openness and vegetation is so strong here that any plinth wall might detract from it.

On balance, with some attention to the points discussed above, I would commend this scheme to Members if my reservations about the main entrance are not shared.

The papers noted below are returned with the postal copy of this letter.

Yours faithfully

McCOY ASSOCIATES

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This letter refers to drawing nos 0446_P10 - P14, Design and Access
Statement, and six photographs

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McCoy Associates