

Planning Application

S26/0237

Heatherway House, Stubton

Planning Committee Thursday 9th July 2026

OBJECTION

Good morning

I am unfortunately unable to attend the meeting as I am on holiday in Cornwall and it is just too far to return.

I have made a formal objection to this planning application on the basis that it fails on numerous existing planning conditions.

We are continually being told that the tilted balance overrides normal planning restrictions and decision making. However, when does the tilted balance become the breakdown of all normal criteria and decision making for Committees like yourselves and for the Planning Officers who make recommendations to you. This is the third application within the last two years in Stubton the previous two having been granted, one after refusal by yourselves but the tilted balance came into play on Appeal.

This application for 5 further houses, which again fails on so many existing planning rules, would mean that in the last 3 or 4 years, 17 properties will have been built in Stubton which is a small rural village with no amenities other than a Church and Village Hall.

Have we reached the point where the Government of the day takes over the decision making from afar, bearing in mind that their local knowledge and appreciation of the rural

villages being affected, is zero. The Planning Authorities like yourselves are the safeguards of democracy in this respect. You understand the area and have put together your Framework with your local knowledge. You are fighting for your own recognition and for democracy overall. rather than being told from afar by those who do not understand your area. You are also striving to uphold the rules and constraints you have introduced, in good faith, to best serve the community in which you live. Therefore, what is the point of these meetings if you allow yourselves to be so bound by constraints issued by others that you are unable to properly consider how the negative effects and harm of an application to the village in question, significantly outweigh the benefits as is the case with Stubton. I ask you to take the future of rural communities like Stubton into account when making your decision. Thank you.

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