



Department for  
Communities and  
Local Government

David Hutchinson  
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Our Ref: APP/D0121/W/16/3153935

*Sent by email only*

17 November 2017

Dear Sir/Madam

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 – SECTION 78  
APPEAL MADE BY CHARLES CHURCH DEVELOPMENTS LTD**

**RECOVERED PLANNING APPEAL: RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF UP TO  
220 NEW DWELLINGS AT FARLEIGH FIELDS AND 54, 56, 58 FARLEIGH ROAD,  
FARLEIGH ROAD, BACKWELL, SOMERSET**

**APPLICATION REF: 15/P/0315/O**

1. The Secretary of State is considering the report of the Inspector, G D Jones BSc(Hons) DipTP DMS MRTPI who held a public local inquiry from 14-17 and 21-24 March into the above appeal.

**Variation of timetable**

2. The Secretary of State considers that he will not be in a position to reach a decision on the above appeal by 21 November 2017 as previously notified. He notes that a judicial review challenge concerning the Neighbourhood Planning Written Ministerial Statement (WMS) of 12 December 2016 was heard in the High Court on 7 and 8 November 2017. The Secretary of State considers the judgment in that case will be of potential relevance to this case. Having given the matter careful consideration, he has decided it is appropriate in all the circumstances that this case should not be determined until the judgment is handed down.
3. Therefore, in exercise of the power conferred on him by paragraph 6(2) of Schedule 2 to the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, the Secretary of State hereby gives notice that he has varied the timetable for his decision which was previously set, and he will now issue his decision on or before 18 January 2018.
4. I would like to apologise for the further delay in issuing this decision.

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5. A copy of this letter is also being sent to the parties listed below.

Yours faithfully

*Phil Barber*

**Phil Barber**

Authorised by Secretary of State to sign in that behalf

**Parties to whom this letter has been sent**

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