

**SOUTH PLANNING COMMITTEE****SCHEDULE OF ADDITIONAL LETTERS****Date: 17 November 2020**

**NOTE: This schedule reports only additional letters received before 5pm on the day before committee. Any items received on the day of Committee will be reported verbally to the meeting**

<b>Item No.</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Originator:</b>
6	20/03378/FUL	Case Officer

Agent confirms, (on 9 November) that notice was served on the tenant 7 October 2020 and so the statutory 21 day period has been complied with.

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6	20/03378/FUL	Applicant Kelly & Andrew Jones

Dear Southern Planning Committee

Myself Kelly Jones and my husband Andrew Jones are writing to you, to tell you how important it is to us to build an affordable home in the village of Wistanstow.

I moved here with my parents at the age 4, and have lived in the village since then, I went to Wistanstow primary school and then onto Church Stretton secondary school. Andrew has been living in the village for 15 years.

My parents still live in the same house where I grew up in Wistanstow, my grandmother and my two sister and their families also live in the village.

My father has multiple sclerosis so I would like to stay close to him as well, so I can provide support with his deteriorating health.

When I left home, I went on to live at Roman Fold Wistanstow with Andrew, where we rented for 7 years, and we had our first son. At the time I was working as a cook at Wistanstow school, and previously at The plough inn.

My husband was then fortunate enough to get a job working on a local poultry farm, Manor Growers, Wistanstow, in 2011, where he is now is Poultry Manager. We then moved into 1 manor cottages, Wistanstow, which is a tied cottage as Andrew must be close to the poultry site.

We got married in the church and had all three of our children christened in the church. All three of my children attended the Toddler group, and Wistanstow under 5's where I held position of secretary. My daughter and son attend Wistanstow Primary school, where I am an active member of the PTA and have been for many years, and my eldest son now being a student at Church Stretton Secondary school.

I currently work at Wistanstow Primary School where I am a key holder and open the school up in the mornings, and I am also a Health care support worker for the NHS in Ludlow. Working shifts proves difficult with childcare providers, my mother who lives in the village provides all support with childcare enabling me to work, without her support I would not be able to work.

My husband Andrews employment at Manor Growers Wistanstow, (a poultry farm, which has ten units, and approx. 420,000 chickens on site) requires him to have a pager alarm, which alerts him to any issues regarding poultry welfare, which he has a limited amount of time to respond to, to resolve the issue. Living close to the Poultry Farm is a must, as the pager is manned 24 hours a day, hence why we live in a tied cottage. Without living in the village, he would not be able to respond quick enough, and therefor would not be able to stay employed. (without responding quickly to an alarm, thousands of chicken's welfares could be at risk)

We both feel Wistanstow is our home, and we could not imagine living anywhere else, along with our children loving living here.

Because we live in a tied cottage, we do not feel secure, and we would like to own our own home, for future security for our family. (If Andrews employment were to end, we would be homeless also.) We have been looking at property's in the Parish for a number of years, but these are out of our budget, and not affordable to us, otherwise we would snap them up! We felt like we could not wait any longer for an affordable house to come available, so we approached Andrews employer to see if he would sell us any land to build a home on, so we could stay in the village and Andrew in his employment, the only site he offered us, is the one we applying for, no other land is available to us.

We have been overwhelmed by the support of the community, neighbours and the Parish Council who know how much this means to us. (with 4 out of 5 of the objections coming from one family)

Please consider granting permission, as it would really mean the world to us, especially in these uncertain times.

Thank you for reading our letter.