

Thames Farm - Shiplake Parish Council Lodges Claim for Statutory Review

Whilst awaiting SODC's decision to move to a judicial review and with the limited time available, Shiplake Parish Council sought legal advice and Counsel opinion as to what action, if any, it should take.

Having now had access to SODC's Statement of Facts and Grounds for Review and discussed this with legal Counsel, Shiplake Parish Council have decided also to lodge a claim for a Planning Statutory Review in the High Court prior to the deadline on Tuesday 12/09/2017.

We will issue a broader statement in due course but we have decided on this course of action as a result of legal advice and in view of the impact of the Appeal Inspector's decision on our community and all those other communities in the District working on Neighbourhood Development Plans (NDP's). This is a big decision for Shiplake Parish Council, in view of the size of its precept, but this development will have such an impact on the village of Lower Shiplake that we have decided that it needs to be challenged as effectively as possible. We are prepared to underwrite the cost of this challenge but will welcome broader support. We will also consider the potential for crowd funding.

Tudor Taylor – Chairman, Shiplake Parish Council