Planning Advisory Group: report to Walberswick Parish Council

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Saltlick, Leveretts Lane, Walberswick, Suffolk, IP18 6TS

"Construction of outbuilding with log store to house proposed air source heat pump, garden WC, sink and store"

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1. Opinion

In the opinion of the Planning Advisory Group the application lacks information necessary to assess the impact of the scheme on Residential Amenity. Should the information requested (below) not be forthcoming then the application should be **refused**.

2. Description

The application proposes the construction of a log store, WC and open-sided area for an air source heat pump. This is to be located to the north west corner of the site, close to Leveretts Lane and the boundary with a neighbouring property (Marshway).

3. Comment

The close proximity of the heat pump to an outdoor seating area at Marshway means that noise produced by the unit has the potential to harm Residential Amenity (SCLP, 11.2).

The PAG generally support the use of renewables, however no information has been provided regarding the number, size or dB output of the heat pump. We request that this is supplied so that impact can be considered.

Alternatively, the heat pump could be located to the north facing external wall of the Plant Room to the main house, which is set away from neighbouring properties and Leveretts Lane.

4. Summary

The application lacks supporting information to justify the location of a heat pump in close proximity to a neighbouring garden and seating area. This information needs to be supplied. otherwise the application should be refused.

Alternatively, the air source heat pump could be located as suggested above.