



A YEAR END REVIEW - 2009

There were many successes for Acorus during 2009 with a very high percentage of APPEALS won and AGRICULTURAL TIES removed.

A sample selection follows:

February 09:

Acorus was successful with an appeal granting planning permission for a High Ropes Course in Harewood Forest. Planning permission was also granted for menage, stables and holiday accommodation units for a Suffolk farm.

March 09:

An appeal was successful at Public Inquiry which saw an enforcement notice issued by West Dorset District Council overturned. Interestingly the property lies within the Dorset Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and adjoins the scheduled ancient monument Pilsdon Pen.

April '09:

Two Acorus appeals were successful for occupational dwellings at fishing lakes in Nottingham and Hull.

May '09:

Acorus obtained planning consent at appeal against Tendring District Council's refusal for a new agricultural building to house free range poultry units on a farm in Colchester.

June '09:

A successful appeal saw the conversion of a redundant stable to holiday let on a property in Shropshire and the removal of an agricultural occupancy condition was successfully obtained for a property in Devon.

July '09:

An appeal was successful to remove an agricultural occupancy condition from a property in Nottinghamshire and another from a Winchester property. Planning permission was granted for various properties throughout the UK including additional facilities for an outdoor visitor centre in Lancashire.

August '09:

Acorus referred to the 'Keen' case in 1996 to obtain planning permission for a second dwelling. It was accepted at appeal that retired occupiers of the existing house could not be expected to leave and an additional house was required for the new family.



September '09:

Persistence paid off for the owners of a semi-detached house located within the Metropolitan Green Belt. An occupancy condition dating back to 1951 was removed after the original application was refused in '07 and an appeal in '08.

Planning permission for a new broiler unit granted by Broadland District Council. Original unit for 120,000 birds was demolished for a 350,000 bird broiler unit.

October '09:

Certificate of Lawfulness of a Proposed Use or Development (CLOPUD) was approved for kennels at a property in Leicestershire and change of use of an agricultural building to stabling was approved for a W.Yorks property.

Acorus obtained planning permission for an additional stable yard and an indoor menage to add to an existing 20 stable 'American' barn for an equestrian enterprise in Hambleton.

November '09:

Replacement dwelling allowed in London Green Belt and planning permission obtained for a poultry unit in the Metropolitan Green Belt in an Area of Great Landscape Value (AGLV).

'A First for West Dorset' - The removal of an agricultural occupancy condition from a property in West Dorset was a major triumph for both Acorus and their client as it was understood to be the first allowed in the county. The tie was removed from The Manor House, Sherborne, Dorset - worth in excess of £1M.

Two applications approved by Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council (W. Yorks) to change the use of an agricultural building to an equestrian business and for the siting of a mobile home adjacent to the building.

Acorus obtained planning permission for the erection of a poultry unit at a farm in Surrey to further develop the owner's free range egg business and permission obtained for a replacement dwelling for a cottage located in London Green Belt.

December '09:

Acorus obtained planning permission for the conversion of a redundant rural building in Staffordshire to a residential dwelling.

Planning permission was granted by Suffolk Coastal District Council for the erection of a stable block for commercial stud and specialist livery near Woodbridge and for a mobile home to supervise a game rearing enterprise near Clacton, Essex.

An Agricultural Occupancy Condition was removed from a property in Merseyside, a Certificate of Existing Lawful Use and Development was approved and a retrospective application was approved for stables and the erection of a new stable block on property near Basingstoke.



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