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Owners of a nursery business in rural Suffolk have been granted permission for a long wished for home after a unanimous vote of recommendation.

The Parish Council fully supported the application for an agriculturally tied dwelling at Cone Tree Nursery in support of small businesses in the village. Mid Suffolk District Council's Planning Committee subsequently approved the erection of a detached agricultural dwelling on-site for day-to-day husbandry requirements, management duties and security. This was a unanimous vote following the officer's recommendation for refusal.

The site, originally arable land, was purchased in 1999 and the owners have built up a successful nursery business since then with expansion plans and increased production.

Having gained consent for a mobile home on-site in 2003, their dream was for a permanent family home and they commissioned Acorus Rural Property Services to submit an application on their behalf.

Roland Thomas, Acorus Consultant explained, 'In our opinion the applicants have developed a successful business, there is a functional need and the business is sustainable. There is a continuing need for on-site accommodation and a permanent dwelling is justified.'

The site is relatively prominent and siting and design were particular issues, which were fully considered throughout the pre-application stage. Acorus's Architect, Sid Richards came up with a traditional Suffolk design which was acceptable.

Acorus is an independent firm of Chartered Surveyors and Planning Consultants with extensive experience and expertise in rural planning, diversification and property consultancy. For further information, please see www.acorus.co.uk.

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