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Cricklade Town Council's Planning, Conservation & Transport Committee

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For PL/2025/09161 – PURLEY FARMHOUSE, CHELWORTH ROAD, CRICKLADE SN6 6HE

Proposal: Erection of replacement dwelling

CTC Comments:

The application property is situated on the edge of the Blakehill Nature Reserve and is accessed through the Chelworth Industrial Estate. It was previously owned by the Wiltshire Wildlife Trust and by application 19/06873/FUL permission was granted to extend the dwelling to the front and rear. The property has not been lived in for a number of years and is in poor state of repair with a sub-standard heating system and evidence of damp internally.

The proposed replacement dwelling is a four bedroomed family house (including one bedroom and ensuite on the ground floor, allowing generational flexibility) It has a floor area of 233.8m² with an obtuse angled 'L' shaped footprint, where the southern arm is single storey. Both the single storey and two storey elements employ a contemporary flat roof design. The two-storey part also has glazed viewing tower.

Extracts from the proposed plans show that the new dwelling has a design theme reminiscent of an airfield's control tower. The site's position is on the edge of the former Blakehill airfield.

The application brings a residential property into the curtilage of the Chelworth Industrial Estate which is not zoned for residential development within the Cricklade Neighbourhood Plan. However, the application is to replace an existing building that was originally residential and will help to define and reinforce the outer boundary of the estate.

Members voted to **Support** the application (with 1x abstention)