

DECISION NOTICE

Application Ref: AL/9/26/S73

1 To Addressee

Helyer Davies Architects
1 The Old Flour Mill
Queen Street
Emswrtj
PO10 7BT

2 Site Address

The Square House
Hook Lane
Aldingbourne
PO20 3TS

3 Description of Development

Variation of condition 2 imposed under AL/55/25/HH relating to plans condition.

4 In pursuance of their powers under this Act and related Orders and Regulations the Council **PERMIT** this development to be carried out in accordance with the application and plans and subject to the following conditions.

- 1 The development hereby permitted shall be begun on or before 18 August 2028, this being 3 years from the date of the original planning permission granted under application reference AL/55/25/HH.

Reason: To comply with Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

- 2 The development hereby approved shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans:
 - Location Plan.
 - Existing Plans and Elevations 002.
 - Proposed Plans and Elevations 003 Rev E.
 - Granary Plans and Elevations 004.
 - Window and Door Details 010 Rev B.
 - Door and Cornice Details 011.
 - Design, Access and Heritage Statement.
 - Updated Bat Emergence Survey Report.

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of amenity and the environment in accordance with Arun Local Plan policies D DM1 and D DM4.

- 3 Prior to the commencement of works above ground level to the proposed orangery or single storey side extension, a 1 square metre sample panel of flintwork and brick work shall be constructed on the site. This sample will be inspected by the Local Planning Authority's Conservation Officer and photographic evidence of the sample panel along with details of the mortar mix will be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority (via the relevant application). Once approved, the work can proceed and the details so approved will be used within the construction of both the orangery and side extension.

Reason: To preserve the appearance and special character of the building for the future in accordance with Arun Local Plan policies HER SP1 and HER DM1 and the NPPF.

- 4 Other than the flintwork which is addressed at Condition 3 of this consent, all other materials and finishes of the external walls and roof of the extensions hereby permitted shall match in colour and texture those of the existing building.

Reason: In the interests of amenity in accordance with Arun Local Plan policies HER DM1 and D DM1.

- 5 Prior to first use of the development hereby approved, a Biodiversity Enhancement Layout, providing the finalised details and locations of the enhancement measures contained within the Updated Bat Emergence Survey Report, Imprint Ecology, 8 June 2025, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

The enhancement measures shall be implemented in accordance with the approved details prior to first use of any part of the development and all features shall be retained in that manner thereafter.

Reason: To enhance protected and priority species and habitats in accordance with Arun Local Plan policies ENV SP1 and ENV DM5 and allow the Local Planning Authority to discharge its duties under the NPPF and s40 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006 (Priority habitats & species).

- 6 No external lighting shall be installed on the alterations hereby approved until full details of all new external lighting (including type of light appliance, the height and position of fitting, predicted illumination levels and light spillage) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme should seek to conform with the recommendations of the Institution of Lighting Professionals (ILP) "Guidance Notes for the Reduction of Obtrusive Light" (GN01:2011) and GN08 2023. "Bats and Artificial Lighting at Night" but also:

1. Identify those areas/features on site that are particularly sensitive for bats or that are likely to cause disturbance in or around their breeding sites and resting places or along important routes used to access key areas of their territory, for example, for foraging; and

2. Show how and where external lighting will be installed (through provision of appropriate lighting contour plans and technical specifications) so that it can be clearly demonstrated that areas to be lit will not disturb or prevent the above species using their territory or having access to their breeding sites and resting places.

The recommended lighting specification shall use LED's (at 3 lux) with the recommended spectrum being 80% amber and 20% white (The recommended Kelvin level is 2700) with a clear view, no UV a horizontal light spread of less than 70 degrees and a timer. A 3D plan of the illumination level should be supplied so that the Local Planning Authority can assess the potential

impact on protected species.

All external lighting shall be installed in accordance with the specifications and locations set out in the scheme and maintained thereafter in accordance with the scheme. Under no circumstances should any other external lighting be installed without prior consent from the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: In the interests of the amenities of the area, the site biodiversity (particularly in respect of bats), the interests of minimising crime, road safety and to minimise unnecessary light spillage outside the development site in accordance with Arun Local Plan policies QE SP1, QE DM2, T SP1 and ENV DM5.

- 7 Any works which will impact the breeding / resting place of bats, shall not in any circumstances commence unless the Local Planning Authority has been provided with either:
1. A licence issued by Natural England pursuant to Regulation 55 of The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended) authorizing the specified activity/development to go ahead; or
 2. A method statement relating to a registered site supplied by an individual registered to use a Bat Mitigation Class Licence for Bats; or
 3. A statement in writing from the Natural England to the effect that it does not consider that the specified activity/development will require a licence.

Reason: To conserve protected species and allow the Local Planning Authority to discharge its duties under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended), the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended), and Arun Local Plan policy ENV DM5. This is required to be a pre-commencement condition as otherwise there would be a risk of harm to protected species and their habitat.

Statutory Biodiversity Gain Plan Condition

- 8 Based on the information available, this permission is exempt from the requirement to provide a biodiversity gain plan under Paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. The following exemption applies:

This planning permission is for development which is a householder application within the meaning of article 2(1) of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015.

Reason: In accordance with Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

INFORMATIVE: Statement pursuant to Article 35 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (as amended). The Local Planning Authority has acted positively and proactively in determining this application by assessing the proposal against all material considerations, including planning policies and any representations that may have been received and subsequently determining to grant planning permission in accordance with the presumption in favour of sustainable development, as set out within the NPPF.



Neil Crowther
Group Head of Planning

Case Officer: Rhiannon Lloyd

Decision Issued: **8th April 2026**

Arun District Council
The Arun Civic Centre
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Littlehampton
West Sussex BN17 5LF

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU READ THE NOTES ATTACHED TO THIS DOCUMENT

APPEALS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE

If you are aggrieved by the decision of your local planning authority to refuse permission for the proposed development or to grant it subject to conditions, then you can appeal to the Secretary of State under section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

If this is a decision on a planning application relating to the same or substantially the same land and development as is already the subject of an enforcement notice, and you want to appeal against this planning application decision, then you must do so within 28 days of the date of this notice.

If an enforcement notice is served relating to the same or substantially the same land and development as in your application and if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision on your application, then you must do so within 28 days of the date of service of the enforcement notice, or within 12 weeks of the date of this notice, whichever period expires earlier.

As this is a decision on a Householder application, if you want to appeal a refusal, then you must do so within 12 weeks of the date of this notice. If you wish to appeal a condition, you must do so within 6 months of the date of this notice.

Appeals should be made on line via Appeal A Planning Decision <https://appeal-planning-decision.service.gov.uk/before-you-start> If someone does not have access to the internet and needs help completing the appeal digitally, they should contact the Planning Inspectorate customer service team on 0303 444 5000 who will provide details of the support options available.

Before making an appeal, you may find it useful to review guidance and watch a video explaining the appeals process at <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/make-an-appeal-to-the-planning-inspectorate-and-associated-guidance>

The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal but will not normally be prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.

The Secretary of State need not consider an appeal if it seems to the Secretary of State that the local planning authority could not have granted planning permission for the proposed development or could not have granted it without the conditions they imposed, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of any development order and to any directions given under a development order.

PURCHASE NOTICES

If either the local planning authority or the Secretary of State refused permission to develop land or grants it subject to conditions, the owner may claim that he can neither put the land to a reasonably beneficial use in its existing state nor render the land capable of a reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted.

In these circumstances, the owner may serve a purchase notice on the Council (that is, where the land is situated in a National Park, the National Park authority for the Park, or in any other case the district council in whose area the land is situated). This notice will require the Council to purchase the owner's interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 1 of Part VI of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990.

Please note that this decision notice only relates to matters under the Planning Acts and does not give consent under any other legislation that may apply to the development. You will need to carry out your own

checks to determine whether any other consents or permissions are required. For example, the Building Regulations are likely to apply to most developments, and a Highways Licence may be required from West Sussex County Council for any development within the public highway (including the placing of skips on highway land).