



REGULARISATION OF THE INSTALLATION OF A GROUND SOURCE HEAT PUMP

1-4 THE PIGLETS, CLIMPING STREET, CLIMPING, LITTLEHAMPTON, BN17 5RG

Permission was granted in 2017 for 4 holiday lets by change of use (CM/7/17/PL). The planning conditions were discharged and works to form the holiday lets were completed last summer. The holiday lets have been successfully operating since then.

The applicant was keen that the holiday lets used green technologies and minimised reliance on fossil fuels. The applicant owns the land around the holiday lets, which is used for camping and caravanning. Therefore, the installation of a ground source heat pump was considered the most viable renewable energy source.

The building contractor assumed that the installation of the ground source heat pump was permitted development and it was installed as part of the conversion works. However, it does not meet the criteria set out in Class L permitted development.

This application therefore seeks to regularise the installation of the ground source heat pump. None of the installation is visible as it is all buried below ground.

The field was being used as a camping field at the time of the installation and the grass mown at least once a week. Therefore, there were no ecology or bio-diversity considerations.