

DECISION NOTICE

Application Ref: F/7/21/PL

1 To Addressee

John Hall Consulting Ltd
113 Limmer Lane
Felpham
PO22 7LR

2 Site Address

Wicks Farm
Ford Lane
Ford
BN18 0DF

3 Description of Development

Building a new 1.28 Ha high-tech glasshouse, reservoir and parking area adjacent to the existing 6 Ha glasshouse, reservoir and nursery area. This site is in CIL Zone 3 (Zero Rated) as other development.

- 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 before the expiration of 3 years from the date of this permission.

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 01
Proposed Site Layout 03
Proposed Lagoon 6648-CHOK-GH-GF-DR-P-0010-005 rev A
Site Location Plan 6648-CHOK-GH-GF-DR-P-0010-002 rev A
Glasshouse Layout and Elevation 6648-CHOK-GH-GF-DR-P-0010-004 rev A
Proposed Site Extension 6648-CHOK-GH-GF-DR-P-0010-003 rev A

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

- 3 Development shall not commence, other than works of site survey and investigation, until full details of the proposed surface water drainage scheme have been submitted to and approved in

writing by the Local Planning Authority. The design should follow the hierarchy of preference for different types of surface water drainage disposal systems as set out in Approved Document H of the Building Regulations, and the recommendations of the SuDS Manual produced by CIRIA. Winter groundwater monitoring to establish highest annual ground water levels and winter Percolation testing to BRE 365, or similar approved, will be required to support the design of any Infiltration drainage. No building / No part of the extended building shall be occupied until the complete surface water drainage system serving the property has been implemented in accordance with the agreed details and the details so agreed shall be maintained in good working order in perpetuity.

Reason: To ensure that the proposed development is satisfactorily drained in accordance with policies W SP1, W DM1, W DM2 and W DM3 of the Arun Local Plan. This is required to be a pre-commencement condition because it is necessary to implement the surface water drainage system prior to commencing any building works.

- 4 The development shall not proceed until details have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority for any proposals: to discharge flows to watercourses; or for the culverting, diversion, infilling or obstruction of any watercourse on or adjacent to the site. Any discharge to a watercourse must be at a rate no greater than the pre-development run-off values and in accordance with current policies. No construction is permitted, which will restrict current and future landowners from undertaking their riparian maintenance responsibilities in respect to any watercourse or culvert on or adjacent to the site.

Reason: To ensure that the proposed development is satisfactorily drained in accordance with policies W DM1, W DM2 and W DM3 of the Arun Local Plan. And to ensure that the duties and responsibilities, as required under the Land Drainage Act 1991, and amended by the Flood and Water Management Act 2010, can be fulfilled without additional impediment following the development completion. It is considered necessary for this to be a pre-commencement condition to protect existing watercourses prior to the construction commencing.

- 5 Development shall not commence until full details of the maintenance and management of the surface water drainage system is set out in a site-specific maintenance manual and submitted to, and approved in writing, by the Local Planning Authority. The manual is to include details of financial management and arrangements for the replacement of major components at the end of the manufacturer's recommended design life. Upon completed construction of the surface water drainage system, the owner or management company shall strictly adhere to and implement the recommendations contained within the manual.

Reason: To ensure that the proposed development is satisfactorily drained in accordance with policies W DM1, W DM2 and W DM3 of the Arun Local Plan. It is considered necessary for this to be a pre-commencement condition to ensure that the future maintenance and funding arrangements for the surface water disposal scheme are agreed before construction commences.

- 6 No development above damp proof course (DPC) level shall take place until there has been submitted to, and approved by, the Local Planning Authority, a mitigation landscape screening scheme including details of soft landscaping and details of existing trees and hedgerows to be retained, together with measures for their protection during the course of the development and details to increase biodiversity and habitat within the site. The approved details of the landscaping shall be carried out in the first planting and seeding season, following the occupation of the buildings or the completion of the development, whichever is the sooner, and any trees or plants which, within a period of five years from the completion of development, die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased, shall be replaced in the next planting season with others of similar size and species, unless the Local Planning Authority gives written consent to any variation.

Reason: In the interests of amenity and of the environment of the development in accordance with policy D DM1 of the Arun Local Plan.

- 7 If during development, contamination not previously identified, is found to be present at the site then no further development (unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority) shall be carried out until the developer has submitted, and obtained written approval from the Local Planning Authority for, an amendment to the remediation strategy detailing how this unsuspected contamination shall be dealt with.

Reason: To ensure that the development complies with approved details in the interests of protection of the environment and prevention of harm to human health in accordance with Arun Local Plan policies QE SP1 and QE DM4.

- 8 No demolition/construction activities shall take place other than from 08:00 hours until 18:00 hours (Monday to Friday) and from 08:00 hours until 13:00 hours (Saturday) with no noisy work on Sunday or Bank/Public Holidays.

Reason: To protect the amenity of local residents in accordance with policy QE SP1 of Arun Local Plan.

- 9 Prior to the use commencing ecological enhancements shall be made to the scheme in accordance with details to be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority, which shall include the following
- Retention of the boundary treelines and hedgerows and enhancement to improve existing green links with the wider landscapes and increase connectivity. This should include having a buffer strip around the hedgerows (5m) and during construction fencing should be used to ensure this area is undisturbed. Any gaps should also be filled in using native hedge species to improve connectivity.
 - If any of the boundary line must be removed (for access) then 'hop over' points must be provided to reduce the gap created in the boundary line so bats and birds can still cross. Any gaps should also be filled in using native hedge species to improve connectivity.
 - Position and design of a bat box to be installed on the trees onsite facing south/south westerly positioned 3-5m above ground.
 - Position and design of a bird box to be installed on a tree on the site.
 - Creation of log piles and banks around the reservoir for basking reptiles.

Reason: In the interests of amenity and of the environment of the development in accordance with policy ENV DM5 of Arun Local Plan and policy ENH6 of Ford Neighbourhood Plan.

- 10 Lighting levels from the site shall not exceed 10 lux/1000 lumens.

Reason: To control the residential amenities of the local environment in accordance with Arun Local Plan policies QE SP1, QE DM2 and D DM1.

INFORMATIVE: Infiltration rates for soakage structures are to be based on percolation tests undertaken in the winter period and at the location and depth of the proposed structures. The percolation tests must be carried out in accordance with BRE365, CIRIA R156 or a similar approved method and cater for the 1 in 10 year storm event plus 40% on stored volumes/rainfall intensity (allowance for climate change) between the invert of the entry pipe to the soakaway, and the base of the structure. It must also have provision to ensure that there is capacity in the system to contain below ground level the 1 in 100 year storm event plus 40% on stored volumes/rainfall intensity. Adequate freeboard must be provided between the base of the soakaway structure and the highest recorded annual groundwater level identified in that location. Any SuDS or soakaway design must include adequate groundwater monitoring data to determine the highest winter groundwater table in support of the design. The applicant is advised to discuss the extent of groundwater monitoring with the Council's Engineers.

Supplementary guidance notes regarding surface water drainage are located at <https://www.arun.gov.uk/drainage-planning-consultations> on Arun District Council's website. A surface water drainage checklist is available on Arun District Council's website, this should be submitted with a Discharge of Conditions Application.

INFORMATIVE: Under Section 23 of the Land Drainage Act 1991 Land Drainage Consent must be sought from the Lead Local Flood Authority (West Sussex County Council), or its agent (Arun District Council land.drainage@arun.gov.uk), prior to starting any works (temporary or permanent) that affect the flow of water in an ordinary watercourse. Such works may include culverting, channel diversion, discharge of flows, connections, headwalls and the installation of trash screens.

The development layout must take account of any existing watercourses (open or culverted) to ensure that future access for maintenance is not restricted. No development is permitted within 3m of the bank of an ordinary watercourse, or 3m of a culverted ordinary watercourse.

INFORMATIVE: If during construction works, it becomes apparent that implementation cannot be carried in accordance with previously agreed details any resubmission of the drainage design must be accompanied by an updated copy of the management manual.

INFORMATIVE: It is possible that a sewer now deemed to be public could be crossing the development site. Therefore, should any sewer be found during construction works, an investigation of the sewer will be required to ascertain its ownership before any further works commence on site.

For further advice, please contact Southern Water, Southern House, Yeoman Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN13 3NX (Tel: 0330 303 0119).

Website: southernwater.co.uk or by email at: SouthernWaterPlanning@southernwater.co.uk

INFORMATIVE: Due to the close proximity of the proposed works to the railway embankment and the operational railway, Network Rail requests the applicant / developer engages Network Rail's Asset Protection and Optimisation (ASPRO) team via AssetProtectionLondonSouthEast@networkrail.co.uk prior to works commencing. This will allow our ASPRO team to

review the details of the proposal to ensure that the works can be completed without any risk to the operational railway. The applicant will need to provide assurances that the reservoir has no effect / does not import any risk to the railway, as well as demonstrating there will be no risk of glare from the greenhouse that could affect train drivers.

The applicant / developer may be required to enter into an Asset Protection Agreement to get the required resource

and expertise on-board to enable approval of detailed works. More information can also be obtained from our website <https://www.networkrail.co.uk/running-the-railway/looking-after-the-railway/asset-protection-andoptimisation/>.

The applicant / developer must also follow the attached Asset Protection informatives which are issued to all proposals within close proximity to the railway (compliance with the informatives does not remove the need to engage with our ASPRO team).

INFORMATIVE: As this is a major application, consideration must be given to air quality issues. As per the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) (updated February 2019) air quality should be considered at the design stage and

incorporate appropriate and effective mitigation.

The applicant must follow the Air Quality & Emissions Mitigation Guidance for Sussex (2013), available at: <http://www.sussex-air.net/Consultation/AirQualitydocument.pdf>

This countywide adopted guidance states that where a major sized development is proposed a number of checklists should be followed in order to determine the likely impact of the proposed development on air quality. The intention of the guidance is to identify any air quality impacts through an impact assessment and ensure the integration of appropriate mitigation into a scheme at the design stage, so the damage costs on health can be properly mitigated. The air quality impact assessment can follow the procedures contained within the Institute of Air Quality Management (IAQM) Guidance entitled: 'Land-Use Planning & Development Control: Planning For Air Quality' (January 2017), available at:

INFORMATIVE: The applicant should note that under Part 1 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, with only a few exceptions, it is an offence for any person to intentionally take, damage or destroy the nest of any wild birds while the nest is in use or being built. Birds nest between March and September and therefore removal of dense bushes, ivy or trees or parts of trees etc. during this period could lead to an offence under the act.

INFORMATIVE: A precautionary approach should be undertaken on the site for reptiles. This involves any removal of scrub, grassland or ruderal vegetation to be done sensitively and done with a two phased cut. The removal of the rubble pile must be undertaken with an ecologist present and by hand where possible, outside of the reptile hibernation period

INFORMATIVE: A precautionary approach should be taken with regards to Great Crested Newts, with all vegetation clearance being undertaken whilst supervised by a suitably licensed ecologist. If Great Crested Newts are found during the process all works must stop and Natural England contacted.

INFORMATIVE: The nearest fire hydrant to the glasshouse is 200 metres away, over 100 metres more than the required 90 metres. Should an alternative supply of water for firefighting be considered it will need to conform with the details identified in Approved Document - B (AD-B) Volume 1 2019 edition: B5 section 14. The access route to the glasshouse will also need to comply with AD-B Volume 2: B5 section 15, the access track needs to be 3.1 metres between a gateway and 3.7 metres between curbs, it is unclear from the plans submitted if the required access width has been achieved to ensure a fire appliance would be capable of reaching this area.

INFORMATIVE: Statement pursuant to Article 35 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure)(England) Order 2015. The Local Planning Authority has acted positively and proactively in determining this application by identifying matters of concern within the application (as originally submitted) and negotiating, with the Applicant, acceptable amendments to the proposal to address those concerns. As a result, the Local Planning Authority has been able to grant planning permission for an acceptable proposal, in accordance with the presumption in favour of sustainable development, as set out within the National Planning Policy Framework.



Neil Crowther
Group Head of Planning

Case Officer: Mrs A Gardner
Decision Issued: 10th September 2021

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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 you want to appeal against this planning application decision, then you must do so within 28 days of the date of service of the enforcement notice, or within 6 months of the date of this notice, whichever period expires earlier.

Otherwise, if you want to appeal against this decision then you must do so within 6 months of the date of this notice.

Appeals must be using a form which you can get from the Secretary of State at Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN (Tel: 0303 444 5000) or online at <http://acp.planninginspectorate.gov.uk>

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.

If you intend to submit an appeal that you would like examined by inquiry then you must send notice to the Local Planning Authority and Planning Inspectorate(inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk) at least 10 days before submitting the appeal. Further details can be found at www.GOV.uk

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).