

DECISION NOTICE

Application Ref: LU/163/25/PL

1 To Addressee

SHWilkinson Architects Ltd
6 Dale Lee
Westhoughton
Bolton
BL5 3YE

2 Site Address

Strawberry Field
Courtwick Lane
Littlehampton
BN17 7PD

3 Description of Development

Amendment to LU/59/24/PL to allow for the formation of overspill car park, rationalisation of existing car park and formation of residents garden including fence panels (resubmission following LU/310/24/PL). This application may affect the setting of listed buildings and is in CIL Zone 2 (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 000-P1
Proposed Site Plan 101-P1
Site Plan Phase 2
Front Elevation 910
Side Elevation 912
Rear Elevation 913

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

- 4 Prior to any development above damp-proof course (DPC) level, a Biodiversity Enhancement Layout, providing the finalised details and locations of the enhancement measures contained within Section 5.3 of the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal and Day Time Building Inspection (Ref P.1972.24 - Ascerta, January 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 occupation 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 and species).

- 5 No works related to those stated below shall commence until the requisite details have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority:

- a) Details of all materials and finishes (including colour / treatment) to be used for the proposed fencing / boundary treatment;
- b) Details of all landscaping and planting to be used within the staff car park (to the east of the site)

The details thereby approved shall be maintained in perpetuity.

Reason: To enable the Local Planning Authority to control the development in detail by endeavouring to preserve and enhance the significance of designated heritage assets in accordance with policy HER DM1 and HER SP1 of the Arun Local Plan.

- 6 Notwithstanding the provisions of Schedule 2, Part 2, Class A of The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (As Amended), no additional gates, fences, walls or other hard boundary treatment shall be constructed unless permission is granted by the Local Planning Authority for an application on that behalf.

Reason: In the interests of amenity and the environment, and preservation of the significance of heritage assets in accordance with Arun Local Plan policy D DM1 and HER DM1.

Statutory Biodiversity Gain Plan Condition

- 3 The effect of paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 is that planning permission granted for the development of land in England is deemed to have been granted subject to the condition (the biodiversity gain condition) that development may not begin unless:

- 1. A Biodiversity Gain Plan has been submitted to the planning authority, and
- 2. The planning authority has approved the plan.

This permission will require the submission and approval of a Biodiversity Gain Plan before development is begun.

For guidance on the contents of the Biodiversity Gain Plan that must be submitted and agreed by the Council prior to the commencement of the consented development please see the link: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/submit-a-biodiversity-gain-plan>

Reason: To ensure the development delivers a biodiversity net gain on site 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 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: Harry Chalk

Decision Issued: **29th October 2025**

Arun District Council
The Arun Civic Centre
Maltravers Road
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).