

## DECISION NOTICE

Application Ref: P/124/25/PL

**1 To Addressee**

Verve Planning Ltd  
60 High Street  
Wimbledon  
SW19 5EE

**2 Site Address**

Land to East of Commonmead Barn  
Pagham Road  
Pagham  
PO21 3PY

**3 Description of Development**

2 No single storey detached dwellings (with accommodation in the roof space) along with associated car and cycle parking (resubmission following P/9/24/PL). This application is a Departure from the Development Plan and is in CIL Zone 5 and is CIL Liable as new dwellings.

**4** In pursuance of their powers under this Act and related Orders and Regulations the Council **REFUSE** to approve the development as described in the application and plans for the reasons stated.

- 1 The proposal has not been supported by a Sequential Test to confirm that there are no reasonably available sites appropriate for the proposed development in areas with a lower risk of flooding in conflict with Arun Local Plan policy W DM2 and Paragraphs 170, 173, and 174 of the NPPF.
- 2 The proposed surface water drainage strategy fails to adhere to the National Standards for SUDS and does not confirm that the proposed dwellings are deliverable without increasing flood risk on-site or elsewhere. The proposal, therefore, conflicts with policies W SP1 and W DM3 of the Arun Local Plan and Paragraphs 181, 182, and 187 of the NPPF.

**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 with the proposal and discussing those with the Applicant. It has not been possible to resolve those matters within the timescale allocated for the determination of this planning application. The Local Planning Authority has clearly set out, within its report, the steps necessary to remedy the harm identified within the reasons for refusal - which may lead to the submission of a more acceptable proposal in the future. The Local Planning

Authority is willing to provide pre-application advice in respect of any future application for a revised development.



Neil Crowther  
Group Head of Planning

Case Officer: Harry Chalk

Decision Issued: **12th December 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](mailto:inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk)) at least 10 days before submitting the appeal. Further details can be found at [www.GOV.uk](http://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).