

Application for Outline Consent

DECISION NOTICE

Application Ref: WA/109/24/OUT

1 To Addressee

Elizabeth Lawrence Ltd
Woodend Water Lane
Storrington
RH20 3LY

2 Site Address

Sussex Business Village
Lake Lane
Barnham
PO22 0AL

3 Description of Development

Outline planning permission for 3 No. attached dwellings with associated gardens, access and parking. This application is in CIL zone 3 (CIL liable as new dwellings) and is a dual parish application with Yapton Parish Council.

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 permission hereby granted is an outline permission under s92 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) and an application for the approval of the Local Planning Authority to the following matters must be made not later than the expiration of 3 years beginning with the date of this permission:

1. Layout.
2. Scale.
3. Appearance.
4. Access.
5. Landscaping.

Reason: To enable the Local Planning Authority to control the development in detail and to comply with Section 92 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

2 The development hereby permitted shall be begun either before the expiration of 5 years from the date of this permission, or before expiration of 2 years from the date of approval of the last of the reserved matters to be approved, whichever is the later.

Reason: To enable the Local Planning Authority to control the development in detail and to comply with Section 92 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

- 3 The development hereby approved shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans:

- Location Plan

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

- 5 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 the Ecological Impact Assessment (GS142.SBV.EclA.v1 - South Downs Ecology 02/01/23), 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 & species).

- 6 No internally or externally located plant, machinery equipment or building services plant shall be operated on the site until an assessment of the acoustic impact arising from the operation of all such equipment has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The assessment shall be undertaken in accordance with BS 4142:2014+A1:2019 and shall include a scheme of attenuation measures to mitigate the adverse impacts identified in the acoustic assessment. The scheme shall ensure that the rating level of noise emitted from the proposed building services plant is 5 dB less than the prevailing background sound level (LA90). The scheme as approved by the Local Planning Authority shall be fully installed prior to first operation of the plant and shall be retained as such thereafter. Any agreed attenuation measures shall be permanently maintained in good working condition.

The applicant should review the Planning Noise Advice Document - Sussex, November 2023: <https://www.arun.gov.uk/download.cfm?doc=docm93jjm4n19846.pdf&ver=24686>.

Reason: To protect the amenity of local residents in accordance with the Arun Local Plan policy QE DM1.

- 7 Prior to the occupation of the development hereby approved, full details of all new external lighting (including type of light appliance, the height and position of fitting, predicted illumination levels and light spillage) shall be 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 & ENV DM5.

- 8 Construction work shall not begin until a scheme for protecting the proposed (noise-sensitive development) from noise from the nearby industrial / commercial units has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. All such works which form part of the scheme shall be completed before (any part) the (noise-sensitive development) is occupied.

Reason: To safeguard the amenity of residents in accordance with Arun Local Plan policy QE DM1. This must be a pre-commencement condition because it is necessary to have such mitigation measures in place before the buildings are occupied.

- 9 Prior to the submission of the reserved matters application, or alternatively submitted alongside the reserved matters application, the following details must be submitted to the Local Planning Authority for approval. The development subsequently approved following the reserved matters application shall be carried out in accordance with those details:

- Tree Survey and Constraints Plan
- Arboricultural Impact Assessment (including a tree protection plan and Arboricultural method statement)

Reason: To ensure the health and amenity of trees on site are protected, in accordance with Arun Local Plan policy ENV DM4.

- 10 The proposed scheme submitted at reserved matters stage shall include energy efficiency measures that reflect the current standards applicable at the time of submission and decentralised, renewable or low carbon energy supply systems. Any physical features that are required as part of the works must be installed prior to the occupation of each dwelling and shall be thereafter permanently maintained in good working condition.

Reason: In order to secure a reduction in the use of energy at the site in accordance with national planning policy and Arun Local Plan policy ECC SP2.

- 11 Prior to commencement of the development hereby approved (or such other date or stage in development as may be agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority), the following components of a scheme to deal with the risks associated with contamination of the site shall each be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority:

1. A 'Preliminary Risk Assessment' which has identified: all previous (historical) uses; potential contaminants associated with those uses; a conceptual model of the site indicating sources, pathways and receptors; and potentially unacceptable risks arising from contamination at the site.
2. A 'Site Investigation Scheme', based on (1) above to provide information for a detailed assessment of the risk to all receptors that may be affected, including those off site.
3. Based on the 'Site Investigation Scheme' and the detailed risk assessment (2), an options appraisal and remediation strategy giving full details of the remediation measures required and how they are to be undertaken.
4. A 'Verification Plan' providing details of the data that will be collected in order to demonstrate that the works set out in (3) are complete and identifying any requirements for longer-term monitoring of pollutant linkages, maintenance and arrangements for contingency action.

Any changes to these parts, (1) to (4) require the express written consent of the Local Planning Authority.

The scheme shall be implemented as approved above and, prior to occupation of any dwelling or such other date or stage in development as may be agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority, a Verification Report demonstrating completion of the works set out in the approved remediation strategy and the effectiveness of that remediation shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The report shall include results of sampling and monitoring carried out in accordance with the approved Verification Plan to demonstrate that the site remediation criteria have been met. The report shall also include a 'long-term monitoring and maintenance plan' for longer-term monitoring of pollutant linkages, maintenance and arrangements for contingency action, as identified in the Verification Plan, and for the reporting of this in writing to the Local Planning Authority.

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. This is required to be a pre-commencement condition because these details have to be agreed and in place before any work commences.

- 12 The layout and landscaping details submitted pursuant to condition 1 shall include supporting surface water drainage information to show that the site can be sustainably drained within the proposed layout. The supporting surface water drainage information must include:
 1. A full winters groundwater monitoring,
 2. Winter infiltration testing in accordance with BRE DG 365 or similar approved,
 - 3, Details of the proposed method and location of surface water disposal, in accordance with the SuDS hierarchy,
 4. Impermeable area or catchment plan,
 5. Calculations modelling the surface water drainage network for the following storm events:
 - a. 100% Annual Exceedance Probability
 - b. 10% AEP + climate change allowance
 - c. 3.3% AEP + climate change allowance
 - d. 1% AEP + climate change allowance

All storm events must include an allowance for urban creep and surcharged outfalls where appropriate,

 6. Detailed drainage plans conforming to local planning authority guidance,
 7. A plan showing no conflicts between existing and proposed trees, their potential growth and surface water drainage design,

8. A plan showing the impact of the proposed development on existing watercourses (where applicable),
9. Details of any necessary permissions relating to the discharge location, works to watercourses or adoption of the SuDS scheme.

Reason: To ensure that the proposed development is satisfactorily drained in accordance with Arun Local Plan policies W DM1, W DM2 and W DM3, and the NPPF.

- 13 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 Arun Local Plan policies W DM1, W DM2 and W DM3, 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.

Statutory Biodiversity Gain Plan Condition

- 4 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 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 National Planning Policy Framework.

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 infiltration tests must be carried out in accordance with BRE365, CIRIA R156 or a similar approved method. All design storms must include a climate change allowance, as per <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-assessments-climate-change-allowances> on stored volumes or rainfall intensity. Infiltration structures must cater for the critical 1 in 10 year storm event, (plus 40%) between the invert of the entry pipe to the soakaway and the base of the structure. All surface water drainage designs must also have provision to ensure there is capacity in the system to contain the critical 1 in 100 year + climate change allowance storm event on site.

Suitable water treatment is required upstream to the point of discharge in all circumstances to minimise any groundwater pollution risk or detriment to the drainage network.

Any SuDS or soakaway design must include adequate groundwater monitoring data to determine the highest groundwater table in support of the design.

Designers are guided to refer to 'Sustainable drainage systems: non-statutory technical standards' and The SuDS Manual by CIRIA as these guide our decisions about the design, maintenance, and operation of sustainable drainage systems. Supplementary guidance notes and design checklists regarding surface water drainage are located at <https://www.arun.gov.uk/drainage-planning-consultations> and <https://www.arun.gov.uk/surfacewater> on Arun District Council's website

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: There are existing TPO trees on site that are in direct conflict with the proposed drainage scheme (submitted under this application), Therefore, whilst the detailed design of the surface water drainage scheme can be dealt with via appropriate conditions, and it has been demonstrated the site can be drained, it must be noted that the scheme as shown under this application would not be acceptable at Reserved Matters stage due to the resulting impact on the TPO trees. The applicant is made aware that as it has not been demonstrated that the scheme is wholly compliant with the necessary requirements, and if in any future submissions (reserved matters), if it cannot be demonstrated that the scheme is compliant, and there is still an unacceptable impact on protected trees, the permission may be rendered unimplementable.



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The Arun Civic Centre

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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).