



Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town and Country Planning (Development Management
Procedure) (England) Order 2010 (as amended)
Application for Planning Permission
DECISION NOTICE

Application Ref: WA/42/13/

1 To Addressee

Company B
 The Ford
 Ford Lane
 Ford
 West Sussex
 BN18 0GT

2 Site Address

Slate Barn Farm
 Binsted Lane

 BN18 0LQ

3 Description of Development

Conversion of redundant farm building into family guest accommodation.

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 proposed conversion is unacceptable in that it has not been satisfactorily demonstrated that the building is of sound construction and capable of conversion without significant rebuilding or alteration. It is also considered that the rural character and appearance of the building and locality would be adversely harmed by the number and size of the new openings. The proposal is therefore considered to conflict with policies GEN3, GEN7 and DEV2 of the Arun District Local Plan.

- 2 Given the extent and nature of the accommodation proposed the Local Planning Authority is not satisfied that the unit would be ancillary to the use of the farm house as a single residential dwelling. The proposal is therefore unacceptable to the Local Planning Authority which seeks to control very strictly all residential development outside the built-up areas and, in particular, requires that permission will not normally be granted for the extension of isolated groups of houses or the consolidation of linear or sporadic development, and therefore conflicts with policies GEN2, GEN3, GEN7 of the Arun District Local Plan for the countryside.
- 3 The proposal contains insufficient information in respect of the presence of bats and owls, impact on bats and owls and mitigation and it is therefore contrary to the National Planning Policy Framework and policy DEV2. In addition, it has not been satisfactorily demonstrated that such mitigation measures could be achieved without adversely affecting the design and appearance of the rural building in conflict with policy DEV2.

INFORMATIVE:Statement pursuant to Article 31 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure)(England) (Amendment No. 2) Order 2012. The Local Planning Authority has acted positively and proactively in determining this application by identifying matters of concern with the proposal and determining the application within a timely manner, clearly setting out the reason(s) for refusal, allowing the Applicant the opportunity to consider the harm caused and whether or not it can be remedied by a revision to the proposal. The Local Planning Authority is willing to meet with the Applicant to discuss the best course of action and is also willing to provide pre-application advice in respect of any future application for a revised development.



Karl Roberts
Assistant Director Planning & Economic Regeneration

Case Officer: Mrs A Gardner

Date of Decision:

9 December 2013

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

NOTES RELATING TO PLANNING APPLICATION
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
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 First 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 your local planning authority's decision on your application, 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 your local planning authority's decision on your application, 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.

For all other cases, if you want to appeal, then you must do so within 6 months of the date of this notice using a form which you can get from the Secretary of State at the Planning Inspectorate, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN or on line at www.planningportal.gov.uk/pes

If this decision is a refusal relating to a minor commercial development, where the application was made on or after 1 October 2013, please note that you must appeal within 12 weeks of the date of this notice. For a definition of minor commercial development please refer to The Town and Country Planning (Appeals) (Written Representations Procedure and Advertisements) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 or contact this office for clarification.

The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal, but he 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 him 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.

In practice, the Secretary of State does not refuse to consider appeals solely because the local planning authority based their decision on a direction given by him.

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).