## **Development Management**

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Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for a Proposed Use or Development

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

## Publication of applications on planning authority websites

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

Site Location	
Disclaimer: We can only make recommendation	ns based on the answers given in the questions.
If you cannot provide a postcode, the description help locate the site - for example "field to the No	n of site location must be completed. Please provide the most accurate site description you can, to rth of the Post Office".
Number	6
Suffix	
Property Name	
Address Line 1	
Comet Road	
Address Line 2	
Address Line 3	
Hertfordshire	
Town/city	
Hatfield	
Postcode	
AL10 0SX	
	be completed if postcode is not known:
Easting (x)	Northing (y)
521700	208540
Description	

Applicant Details
Name/Company
Title
Mr
First name
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Surname
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Company Name
Situm Property Management Ltd
Address
Address line 1
15 Riverton close
Address line 2
London
Address line 3
Town/City
London
County
Country
United Kingdom
Postcode
W9 3DS
Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?
○ Yes ⊙ No
Contact Details
Primary number
***** REDACTED *****

Secondary number
Fax number
Email address
***** REDACTED *****
Description of Proposal
Does the proposal consist of, or include, the carrying out of building or other operations?
○Yes
⊗ No
Does the proposal consist of, or include, a change of use of the land or building(s)?
○ No
If Yes, please give a full description of the scale and nature of the proposed use, including the processes to be carried out, any machinery to be installed and the hours the proposed use will be carried out
Garage conversion in to a new kitchen
If Yes, please fully describe the existing or the last known use, with the date when this use ceased
10/06/2023
Has the proposal been started?
○Yes
⊗ No
Grounds for Application
Information about the existing use(s)
Please explain why you consider the existing or last use of the land is lawful, or why you consider that any existing buildings, which it is proposed to alter or extend are lawful
Garage cannot be used to accommodate a vehicle due to its size and greatly benefit from converting this space to a large kitchen space.  Currently used as storage space only.
To my knowledge 75% of the houses on comet road (no 2- no30 comet road) already convert these garages into either kitchen or living spaces.
Please list the supporting documentary evidence (such as a planning permission) which accompanies this application

I believe that no planning pension is required to convert the garage.
Met with the duty planning officer Mr Marty Smith on the 25/05/2023. He mentioned that I can go ahead and convert the garage and no planning permission required. However he recommended to apply a lawful development application. Part of his email is listed below.
"So while it is most likely okay convert your garage to a kitchenette as discussed (for which I still advise you submit a certificate of lawful development for)"
Kind regards, Marty Smith
Assistant Planning Enforcement Officer
Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council
Select the use class that relates to the existing or last use.
C4 - Houses in multiple occupation
Please note that following changes to Use Classes on 1 September 2020: The list includes the now revoked Use Classes A1-5, B1, and D1-2 hat should not be used in most cases. Also, the list does not include the newly introduced Use Classes E and F1-2. To provide details in relation to hese or any 'Sui Generis' use, select 'Other' and specify the use where prompted. See help for more details on Use Classes.
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s the proposed operation or use
Permanent  Temporary
Why do you consider that a Lawful Development Certificate should be granted for this proposal?
The garage is currently use as a storage for junk materials. The property has an additional 3 car parking spaces behind/side of the garage. The garage is not used as a car parking space due to the narrow space inside the garage. This garage space is hardy use at present and converting this into a modern kitchen will benefit the householders with better facilities.
Also this will eliminate any rodent issues which may attract due to the present non use of the garage space.
Site Visit
Can the site be seen from a public road, public footpath, bridleway or other public land?
f the planning authority needs to make an appointment to carry out a site visit, whom should they contact?
☐ The agent ☐ The applicant ☐ Other person

Pre-application Advice
Has assistance or prior advice been sought from the local authority about this application?
<ul><li>✓ Yes</li><li>○ No</li></ul>
If Yes, please complete the following information about the advice you were given (this will help the authority to deal with this application more efficiently):
Officer name:
Title
**** REDACTED *****
First Name
***** REDACTED ******
Surname
***** REDACTED ******
Reference
duty appointment
Date (must be pre-application submission)
25/05/2023
Details of the pre-application advice received
Part of the email received from Duty planning officer:
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Authority Employee/Member
With respect to the Authority, is the applicant and/or agent one of the following:  (a) a member of staff  (b) an elected member  (c) related to a member of staff  (d) related to an elected member
It is an important principle of decision-making that the process is open and transparent.
For the purposes of this question, "related to" means related, by birth or otherwise, closely enough that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts, would conclude that there was bias on the part of the decision-maker in the Local Planning Authority.
Do any of the above statements apply?
<ul><li>○ Yes</li><li>② No</li></ul>

Interest in the Land
Please state the applicant's interest in the land
⊙ Owner
OLessee
Occupier Occupier
○ Other
Declaration
I / We hereby apply for Lawful development: Proposed use as described in this form and accompanying plans/drawings and additional information. I / We confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine options of the persons giving them. I / We also accept that: Once submitted, this information will be transmitted to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be made available as part of a public register and on the authority's website; our system will automatically generate and send you emails in regard to the submission of this application.
✓ I / We agree to the outlined declaration
Signed
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Date
10/06/2023