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## **Important – Planning permission and notices of consent**

### **Compliance with conditions**

- Your planning approval or consent is attached. It will contain conditions that you must comply with.
- Please read the conditions and understand their requirements and restrictions, for example submission and approval of details or measures to protect trees.
- Some conditions will require action before you start development and it is imperative that you seek to have these discharged before any work commences.
- Whilst every effort has been made to group conditions logically, it is your responsibility to ensure that you are aware of the requirements and/or restrictions of all conditions.
- If you fail to comply with the conditions this may result in a breach of planning control and this may lead to enforcement action.
- Failure to comply with conditions may also result in the development not being lawful.
- It is in your interests to demonstrate that conditions have been complied with. Failure to do so may cause difficulties if the property is sold or transferred.
- A fee may be payable for each request to discharge conditions.

For advice on any of these matters, please contact the duty planning officer or the case officer at Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council, Campus East, The Campus, Welwyn Garden City, AL8 6AE or by email [planning@welhat.gov.uk](mailto:planning@welhat.gov.uk) between 0900 – 1100 daily.

**Notice of Decision  
Town and Country Planning Act 1990  
Town and Country Planning (Development  
Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015  
Approval of Permission for Development**

To: Ms Alison Bembenek

**Application No:** 6/2023/2281/FULL

**Date of Approval:** 31 January 2024

**WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL, in pursuance of powers under the above mentioned act, hereby GRANT, subject to the development beginning not later than 3 years from the date hereof to: -**

**Development:** Reuse and refurbishment of Building 3, to include a side and rear extension, for work associated with research and development and testing of new satellite technology on site, together with trenched cable linkage between gantry platform and Buildings 1, 2 and 3 and other associated works

**At Location:** Brookmans Park Teleport Great North Road Hatfield AL9 6NE

**Applicant:** Inmarsat Global Limited

**Application Date:** 13 November 2023

In accordance with the conditions listed below: -

1. The development must not be carried out other than in accordance with the details of external materials specified on the approved drawings. The profiled metal cladding is to be finished in a light grey colour (Albatross – RAL 240 80 05). Details of any alternative materials to be used in the construction of the external surfaces shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to above ground development. The development shall be implemented using the approved materials and subsequently, the approved materials shall not be changed.

**REASON:** To ensure a satisfactory standard of development in the interests of maintaining the character and visual amenity of the area, in accordance with the Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council Local Plan and the National Planning Policy Framework.

**DRAWING NUMBERS**

2. The development/works shall not be started and completed other than in accordance with the approved plans and details:

<b>Plan Number</b>	<b>Revision Number</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Received Date</b>
2296-0010	A	Site Location Plan And Block Plan	13 November 2023

0112	C	Proposed Ga Plan	13 November 2023
0204	B	Existing Elevations	13 November 2023
0212	A	Proposed Elevations	13 November 2023
0310	A	Proposed Sections	13 November 2023
2296-0011	A	Block Plan	13 November 2023
2296-0012	A	Existing Site Plan	13 November 2023
2296-0013	A	Proposed Site Plan	13 November 2023
0103	B	Existing Ga Plan	13 November 2023
0109	A	Existing Roof Plan	13 November 2023
0115	A	Proposed Roof Plan	13 November 2023

REASON: To ensure that the development is carried out in accordance with the approved plans and details.

1. **POSITIVE AND PROACTIVE STATEMENT**

The decision has been made taking into account, where practicable and appropriate the requirements of paragraph 38 of the National Planning Policy Framework and material planning considerations do not justify a decision contrary to the development plan (see Officer's report which can be viewed on the Council's website or inspected at these offices).

**Informative(s)**

1. Cadent Gas Ltd own and operate the gas infrastructure within the area of your development. Prior to carrying out works, please register on [www.linesearchbeforeudig.co.uk](http://www.linesearchbeforeudig.co.uk) to submit details of the planned works for review, ensuring requirements are adhered to.
2. This permission does not convey any consent which may be required under any legislation other than the Town and Country Planning Acts. Any permission required under the Building Regulations or under any other Act, must be obtained from the relevant authority or body e.g. Fire Officer, Health and Safety Executive, Environment Agency (water interest etc.) Neither does this permission negate or override any private covenants or legal interest (easements or wayleaves) which may affect the land.
3. In addition, and separate to your planning permission, for the majority of schemes, you are required by law to appoint a building regulator who will inspect your property at various stages during the course of your building project. This is to ensure it is compliant with the Building Regulations and the Building Act 1984.

The checks the building regulator will carry out include, but are not limited to, the structure, foundations, fire precautions and escape routes, electrical and plumbing compliance and other issues such as drainage and insulation. The objective of these checks is to ensure that your building is safe to live in, accessible and environmentally sustainable.

Once all build stages are checked and the works are finished, a Completion Certificate is issued confirming that these objectives have been met. You will also need the Completion Certificate, should you sell the property, as it will confirm to future owners that the work has been carried out in compliance with the Regulations.

As the owner of the property, you are responsible for Building Regulations compliance so we would urge you to decide which regulator to use, as opposed to leaving your builder or architect to make the choice. This is so that you can be sure the building regulator is truly independent and working to protect you from any breach or omission during the works.

Hertfordshire Building Control Limited are a Company wholly owned by eight local authorities in Hertfordshire including Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council. Please contact them on 01438 879990 or at [buildingcontrol@hertfordshirebc.co.uk](mailto:buildingcontrol@hertfordshirebc.co.uk) to discuss the process and all that is involved. Or alternatively refer to the Homeowner Information section on their website at [www.hertfordshirebc.co.uk](http://www.hertfordshirebc.co.uk)



**Chris Carter**  
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**Town and Country Planning Act 1990**

## WHY HERTFORDSHIRE BUILDING CONTROL?



Hertfordshire Building Control are owned by seven local authorities in Hertfordshire. In effect, as a resident in Hertfordshire, you own Hertfordshire Building Control. Any profit we make is returned to those local authorities who reinvest it into our communities, which you as a resident will benefit from. Therefore, by using our services you benefit from our experienced and knowledgeable team of surveyors, and also from the investment made in the community by Local Authorities.

Being accountable to the public in this way means that we will not be compromised by people or organisations, and when things go wrong - for example buildings becoming dangerous as a result of poor building practices and improper inspections - we are the people who are called in to ensure that the area is made safe and further losses minimised.

Use Hertfordshire Building Control early on in your project to **prevent** such occurrences rather than having us being called in to  **cure** them.

## WHAT HERTFORDSHIRE BUILDING CONTROL OFFERS:

- A truly independent service working on behalf of the property owner and accountable to the residents of Hertfordshire;
- Surveyors with the skills and experience to lead the compliance process ensuring that your property meets the standards required by Building Regulations
- A team with the capacity to provide a responsive service, ensuring that your project will be inspected when it needs to be and will not be held up.
- The technology to increase surveyor time on site and improve our service to our customers;
- A one stop shop for all related activities including air testing, acoustic testing, engineering and SAP calculations and warranties;
- A company that returns 100% of its profits back to Local Authorities for investment in the community.

## NEXT STEPS

Contact us as early as possible to make sure we can help you through the process. If you are sure about the type of building application you need to make, you can download the forms online at [www.hertfordshirebc.co.uk](http://www.hertfordshirebc.co.uk)

If you have any concerns or questions then please call us on **020 8207 7456** or email [buildingcontrol@hertfordshirebc.co.uk](mailto:buildingcontrol@hertfordshirebc.co.uk)

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### WHAT IS BUILDING CONTROL?

Building Control ensures that architects, builders and other professionals in the construction industry adhere to the Building Regulations when designing and building structures. The Building Regulations set the standards for the design and construction of buildings to ensure that they are safe, accessible and energy efficient.

### DOES MY PROJECT NEED BUILDING CONTROL APPROVAL?

Projects that involve extensions, structural changes, loft or garage conversions or changes to electrical wiring will - in the vast majority of cases - need Building Control certification. It is a legal requirement.

To check whether your project requires building control approval please call one of our qualified surveyors on **020 8207 7456** who will be happy to advise you. Or contact us at the following email address [buildingcontrol@hertfordshirebc.co.uk](mailto:buildingcontrol@hertfordshirebc.co.uk). Alternatively, there is a lot of useful advice contained on our website: [www.hertfordshirebc.co.uk](http://www.hertfordshirebc.co.uk).

### WHY DO I NEED BUILDING CONTROL?

There is a legal requirement that work carried out on buildings including alterations, extensions and garage and loft conversions are inspected and certified by an authorised Building Control body. Building Control protects the interests of the property owner ensuring that architects and builders adhere to the standards required in the Building Regulations. Sadly, there are a number of rogue operators who will cut corners to save themselves money and in doing so cause buildings to be unsafe, difficult to access or exit, and energy inefficient. The building control surveyor is there to ensure that standards are adhered to and to certify the work carried out. This is not only important for you when living in your property but also when you come to sell it, as it could delay or prevent a sale if the appropriate certification has not been completed.

### IS THIS DIFFERENT FROM PLANNING?

Building Control is separate from planning which deals with the appearance of buildings and how they fit into their environment. Your project may also need planning consent, which is a different process.

You may be receiving this advice note because you have submitted plans to your Local Authority planning department; if not you will need to contact them to discuss planning requirements. Links to contact Local Authority Planning departments are on our website.

### WHAT DO BUILDING CONTROL SURVEYORS DO?

Building Control Surveyors work on behalf of the property owner and with architects, builders and other construction professionals to lead the compliance process, ensuring that buildings conform to Building Regulations. The mission of Hertfordshire Building Control is to ensure quality buildings and add value for our customers and communities by leading the compliance process. Essentially the surveyor protects the interests of the property owner and should therefore be independent of the architect and/or builder. Make sure that it is you and not your builder or architect who selects your Building Control provider, or that you have carried out the necessary due diligence.