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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: Mr Stuart Cook

**Application No:** 6/2024/0389/HOUSE

**Date of Approval:** 28 May 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:** Erection of a single storey rear/side extension and front porch  
**At Location:** 14 Gorseway Hatfield AL10 9GS  
**Applicant:** Mr & Mrs A Hassan  
**Application Date:** 28 February 2024

In accordance with the conditions listed below: -

1. The brickwork, roof tile, bond, mortar, windows, detailing, guttering, soffits and other external decorations of the approved extensions and alterations must match the existing dwelling in relation to colour and texture.

REASON: To ensure a satisfactory standard of development in the interests of visual amenity 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>
5899-E01		Plans and Elevations as Existing	28 February 2024
5899-OS1	D	Location/Block Plan	28 May 2024
5899-P01	F	Plans and Elevations as Proposed	28 May 2024

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. 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.
2. The granting of this permission does not convey or imply any consent to build upon or access from any land not within the ownership of the applicant.
3. The applicant is advised to take account the provisions of The Party Wall Act 1996 insofar as the carrying out of development affecting or in close proximity to a shared boundary.
4. Any damage to the grass verges caused by the development/works hereby approved is the responsibility of the applicant and must be re-instated to their original condition, within one month of the completion of the development/works. If damage to the verges are not repaired then the Council and/or Highway Authority will take appropriate enforcement action to remedy any harm caused.
5. 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**  
**Assistant Director (Planning)**

## **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 Secretary of State under section 78 of The Town and Country Planning Act.
- 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, if 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 if 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 12 weeks in the case of a householder appeal of the date of this notice, whichever period expires earlier. •
- As this is a decision to refuse permission for a householder application, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 12 weeks of the date of this notice;
- Appeals must be made using a form which you can get from the Secretary of State at Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN or online at [www.gov.uk/government/organisations/planning-inspectorate](http://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/planning-inspectorate).
- 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.

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 the Secretary of State.

### Purchase Notices

- If either the local planning authority or the Secretary of State refuses permission to develop land or grants it subject to conditions, the owner may claim that the owner 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 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 I of Part 6 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.



### 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.

