



WELWYN HATFIELD COUNCIL

Council Offices Welwyn Garden City Herts AL8 6AE

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DECISION NOTICE

Ref No

S6/0107/97/FP

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

Temporary change of use of land and buildings for use in film production, including erection of temporary film sets

at: Land at Hatfield Aerodrome, Comet Way, Hatfield

To:

Kevin De La Noy,
Room 35 Maxwell Building, Elstree Film Studios, Elstree,
Herts

For:

Dreamworks Productions,
FAO Kevin De La Noy, 100 Universal City Plaza,
Building 84, Suite 20, Universal City, C.A. 91608 U.S.A.

In pursuance of their powers under the above mentioned Act and the Orders and Regulations for the time being in force thereunder, the Council hereby PERMIT the development proposed by you in your application received with sufficient particulars on 12th February 1997 and shown on the plan(s) accompanying such application, subject to the following conditions:-

1. This permission shall be for a limited period only, expiring on 31st December 1997, on or before which date the use hereby permitted shall be discontinued and any buildings, structures or materials associated with it shall be removed from the site and the site restored to its former condition in all respects in accordance with a scheme which shall have previously been agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority.

REASON

The site is partly within the Metropolitan Green Belt and temporary permission has been granted only due to the special circumstances existing in this case.

2. No sets shall be erected and no engineering or other operations shall be carried out in the woodland without the prior written approval of the Local Planning Authority.

REASON



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To enable the Local Planning Authority to control the effect of the proposed use on the nature conservation interest of the woodland.

3. No waste material, other than topsoil or inert builders' rubble, shall be imported onto the site for any purpose.

REASON

To avoid contamination of the land.

4. Details of any fixed external lighting, site fencing and loudspeaker systems shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to their installation.

REASON

In the interests of visual and residential amenity.

5. No activities involving pyrotechnics, explosions, detonations or the discharge of weapons used in filming shall take place on the site on Sundays, Bank Holidays or before 07.00 or after 21.00 on any other day without the prior written approval of the Local Planning Authority.

REASON

In the interests of residential amenity.

6. Natural flows in the River Nast must be maintained through the site at all times in accordance with details which shall be submitted and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

REASON

To prevent environmental damage and an increased risk of flooding.



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7. Reinstatement works adjacent to and within the River Nast shall be carried out within 1 month of the completion of filming in accordance with details which shall be submitted and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

REASON

To prevent environmental damage and an increased risk of flooding.

8. Any excavations, including the 'river' feature and fake bomb craters shall not take place below the shallow groundwater table.

REASON

To prevent pollution of groundwater.

9. The 'river' feature shall be lined with a material agreed to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

REASON

To prevent pollution of groundwater.

10. The Hawthorn bush currently located on the site shall be reinstated within 1 month of the completion of filming in a location agreed to and approved in writing with the Local Planning Authority.

REASON

To preserve the original river corridor.

Date : 14th March 1997

Signed: 
Chief Planning Officer