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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 between 0900 – 1300 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 T Feirn

Application No: 6/2015/2528/OUTLINE

Date of Approval: 14 April 2016

WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL, in pursuance of powers under the above mentioned Act, hereby GRANT to: -

Development: Outline planning permission for the enhancement and installation of additional treatment, including the demolition of buildings, with all matters reserved

At Location: North Mymms Water Treatment Site, Warrengate Road, North Mymms, Hatfield, AL9 7TY

Applicant: Affinity Water Ltd

Application Date: 23 December 2015

In accordance with the accompanying plans and particulars, subject to the conditions listed below: -

1. The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of two years from the date of approval of the last of the reserved matters to be approved.

REASON: In order to comply with Section 92 of the Town and Country Planning Act (As amended).

2. Details identifying the buildings to be demolished, and of the site access, layout of site, appearance and scale of buildings to be built and landscaping hereinafter called, the reserved matters) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority before any development begins and the development shall be carried out as approved.

REASON: The outline application as submitted does not give particulars sufficient for consideration of these reserved matters.

3. Application for approval of the reserved matters shall be made to the Local Planning Authority before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

REASON: In order to comply with Section 92 of the Town and Country Planning Act (As amended).

4. The existing buildings to be demolished and all the materials arising from such demolition shall be completely removed from the site within 1 month of the first occupation of the replacement building/s hereby permitted.

REASON: The site lies outside of established settlement limits and therefore within an area where permission for new buildings is not normally granted. The Local Planning Authority would not be prepared to permit unlimited buildings in this location in the interests of preserving the character and appearance of the area in accordance with Policies GBSP2, D1 and D2 of the Welwyn Hatfield District Plan 2005.

5. No above ground development construction shall commence on site until an acoustic report has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority detailing the noise from plant and equipment to be installed at the premises showing that noise emissions will be 10dB (L_{aeq}) below the background noise level (LA₉₀) at the nearest residential properties (using the methodology outlined in BS142:2014). The scheme shall be completed in accordance with the approved details before any part of the accommodation hereby approved is occupied and maintained thereafter in accordance with the approved details.

REASON: To protect the living conditions and amenity of the residents and other nearby residential properties from noise disturbance in accordance with Policy R19 of the Welwyn Hatfield District Plan 2005.

6. The plans and particulars submitted in accordance with condition 2 above shall include:

(a) a plan showing (i) the location of, and allocating a reference number to, each existing tree on the site which has a stem with a diameter, measured over the bark at a point 1.5 m above ground level exceeding 75 mm, showing which trees are to be retained and the crown spread of each retained tree and (ii) the location of hedges to be retained and details of species in each hedge.

(b) details of the species, diameter (measured in accordance with paragraph (a) above), and the approximate height, and an assessment of the general state of health and stability, of each retained tree and of each tree which is on land adjacent to the site and to which paragraphs (c) and (d) below apply.

(c) details of any proposed topping or lopping of any retained tree or of any tree on land adjacent to the site.

(d) details of any proposed alterations in existing ground levels, and of the position of any proposed excavation, within the crown spread of any retained tree or of any tree on land adjacent to the site within a distance from any retained tree, equivalent to half the height of that tree.

(e) details of the specification and position of fencing and of any other measures to be taken for the protection of any retained tree or hedge from damage before or during the course of development.

(f) the plans and particulars submitted shall include details of the size, species, and positions or density of all trees or hedges to be planted, and the proposed time of planting.

In this condition, retained tree or hedge, means an existing tree or hedge which is to be retained in accordance with the plans referred to in paragraph (a) above.

REASON: The landscaping of the site is required in order to reduce the visual impact of the development hereby permitted in accordance with Policy D8 of the Welwyn Hatfield District Plan 2005.

7. No development shall commence on the site until a Flood Risk Assessment of fluvial and surface water run-off relating to the site has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Any mitigation measures required shall be installed, managed and maintained, thereafter, in accordance with the agreed details.

REASON: To protect the surrounding environment from pollution and flood risk by ensuring the satisfactory disposal, storage and drainage of fluvial and surface water from the site in accordance with Policies R7 and R8 of the Welwyn Hatfield District Plan 2005.

8. No development other than that required to be carried out as part of an approved scheme of remediation shall commence until conditions A to D have been complied with. If unexpected contamination is found after development has begun, development must be halted on that part of the site affected by the unexpected contamination to the extent specified by the Local Planning Authority in writing until condition D has been complied with in relation to that contamination.

(a) Site Characterisation

An investigation and risk assessment, in addition to any assessment provided with the planning application, must be completed in accordance with a scheme to assess the nature and extent of any contamination on the site, whether or not it originates on the site. The investigation and risk assessment must be undertaken by competent persons and a written report of the findings must be produced. The contents of the scheme and the written report are subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority. The report of the findings must include:

- (i) a survey of the extent, scale and nature of contamination
- (ii) an assessment of the potential risks to:

- human health
- property (existing or proposed) including buildings, crops, livestock, pets, woodland and service lines and pipes
- adjoining land
- groundwaters and surface waters
- ecological systems
- archaeological sites and ancient monuments

(iii) an appraisal of remedial options, and proposal of the preferred option(s).

This must be conducted in accordance with DEFRA and the Environment Agency's 'Model Procedures for the Management of Land Contamination, CLR 11'.

(b) Submission of Remediation Scheme

A detailed remediation scheme to bring the site to a condition suitable for the intended use by removing unacceptable risks to human health, buildings and other property and the natural and historical environment must be prepared, and is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority. The scheme must include all works to be undertaken, proposed remediation objectives and remediation criteria, timetable of works and site management procedures. The scheme must ensure that the site will not qualify as contaminated land under Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 in relation to the intended use of the land after remediation.

(c) Implementation of Approved Remediation Scheme

The approved remediation scheme must be carried out in accordance with its terms prior to the commencement of development other than that required to carry out remediation. The Local Planning Authority must be given two weeks written notification of commencement of the remediation scheme works.

Following completion of measures identified in the approved remediation scheme, a verification report that demonstrates the effectiveness of the remediation carried out must be produced, and is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority.

(d) Reporting of Unexpected Contamination

In the event that contamination is found at any time when carrying out the approved development that was not previously identified it must be reported in writing immediately to the Local Planning Authority. An investigation and risk

assessment must be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of condition 1, and where remediation is necessary a remediation scheme must be prepared in accordance with the requirements of condition 2, which is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority. Following completion of measures identified in the approved remediation scheme a verification report must be prepared, which is subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority in accordance with condition C.

(e) Where indicated in the approved remediation scheme, a monitoring and maintenance scheme to include, monitoring the long-term effectiveness of the proposed remediation over the agreed period of years, and the provision of reports on the same must be prepared, both of which are subject to the approval in writing of the Local Planning Authority. Following completion of the measures identified in that scheme and when the remediation objectives have been achieved, reports that demonstrate the effectiveness of the monitoring and maintenance carried out must be produced, and submitted to the Local Planning Authority. This must be conducted in accordance with DEFRA and the Environment Agency's 'Model Procedures for the Management of Land Contamination, CLR 11'.

REASON: To ensure that risks from land contamination to the future users of the land and neighbouring land are minimised, together with those to controlled waters, property and ecological systems, and to ensure that the development can be carried out safely without unacceptable risks to workers, neighbours and others offsite in accordance with Policies R2 and R7 of the Welwyn Hatfield District Plan 2005.

REASON FOR APPROVAL

The decision has been made taking into account, where practicable and appropriate the requirements of paragraphs 186-187 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).



Colin Haigh
Head of 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 within 6 months [12 weeks in the case of a householder appeal] of the date of this notice, whichever period expires earlier. •
- If 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;
 - a minor commercial 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;
 - an application for advertisement consent, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 8 weeks of the date of this notice;
 - works in respect to a tree preservation order application, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 28 days of the date of this notice;
 - a lawful development certificate, there is no time restriction.
- For all other appeals, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 6 months 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.
- 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.