



Application: 20241051

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE)
(ENGLAND) ORDER 2015 (AS AMENDED)**

NOTIFICATION OF REFUSAL OF PERMISSION TO DEVELOP LAND

To: **Mr And Mrs Trevor Suter
C/O Mr James Carney, James Carney Architects Ltd
116 New Road
South Darenth
DA4 9AR**

TAKE NOTICE that the **GRAVESHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL**, the Local Planning Authority under the Town and Country Planning Acts, has **REFUSED TO PERMIT** development of land situate at:

**9 Cricketers Drive
Meopham
Gravesend
Kent
DA13 0AX**

and being **Demolition of the existing garage and conservatory, erection of a new front porch and erection of a new/replacement single storey rear extension. Hip to gable roof conversion incorporating the erection of a two storey side extension, the construction of a dormer in the rear roof slope and installation of roof lights in the front roof slope, with conversion of the loft space to form a bedroom and en-suite. Extension of hardstanding area within the front garden.**

Your application dated 22nd November 2024 is refused on the following grounds:-

1. The proposal is considered to represent poor design, that would result in an incongruous, dominant and unsympathetic development, to the detriment of the appearance of the existing dwelling and immediate locality. As such, the proposal would be contrary to Policy CS19 of Gravesham's Local Plan Core Strategy (LPCS) (2014) and Section 12 of the National Planning Policy Framework (2024).
2. The proposal would fail to safeguard the amenity of future occupiers, contrary to Policy CS19 (LPCS) (2014) and Section 12 (NPPF) (2024).
3. The proposal fails to safeguard the amenity of neighbouring properties, contrary to Policy CS19 (LPCS) (2014) and Section 12 (NPPF) (2024).
4. The parking provision is substandard and as such, the proposal fails to comply with KCC SPG4 - Kent Vehicle Parking Standards (2006) and Gravesham's Householder Design Guidance (2021).

INFORMATIVES:-

1 DECISION PLANS

For the avoidance of doubt, the forms, plans and documents upon which this decision is made comprise:

Application Form;

Drawing No. A101/PA - Site Location Plan and Block Plans - Existing and Proposed; and

Drawing No. A102/PA - Elevations and Floor Plans and Roof Plans - Existing and Proposed.

2 STATEMENT OF POSITIVE AND PROACTIVE APPROACH TO DECISION-MAKING

In accordance with Article 35 (2) of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (as amended), and paragraph 39 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) 2024, the Local Planning Authority has approached the assessment and determination of this application in a positive and creative manner. In this instance the application is not in accordance with the Development Plan for the area and cannot be supported.

Dated: 24 January 2025

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NOTIFICATION TO APPLICANT

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 1990.
- If this is a **householder application*** which has been refused and 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**.
- For all other applications, refused or permitted, 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.
- **For further information regarding Appeals and to make an application please click the relevant link:**
<https://www.gov.uk/appeal-householder-planning-decision>
<https://www.gov.uk/appeal-planning-decision>
- The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal, but he 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 him 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 him.

***Householder applications**

These are:

- (a) applications for planning permission for development of an existing dwellinghouse, or development within the curtilage of such a dwellinghouse for any purpose incidental to the enjoyment of the dwellinghouse, or
- (b) an application for any consent, agreement or approval required by or under a planning permission, development order or local development order in relation to such development

but does **not** include –

- (i) an application for change of use;
- (ii) an application to change the number of dwellings in a building.

PURCHASE NOTICES

If either the Local Planning Authority or the Secretary of State for the Environment refuses permission to develop land or grants it subject to conditions, the owner may claim that he/she can neither put the land to a reasonably beneficial use in its existing state nor can he/she 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 (District Council, London Borough Council or Common Council of the City of London) in whose area the land is situated. This notice will require the Council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part VI of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.