



Application: 20231332

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

NOTIFICATION OF GRANT OF PERMISSION TO DEVELOP LAND
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To: **Mr Ali
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TAKE NOTICE that the **GRAVESHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL**, the Local Planning Authority under the Town and Country Planning Acts, has **GRANTED PERMISSION** for development of land situate at:

**Gravesham Muslim Cultural And Educational Centre
St Hildas Way
Gravesend
Kent
DA12 4AZ**

and being **Erection of single storey front extension to form a new entrance to existing basement; conversion of part of basement from storage to women's/children's prayer area with w.c. facilities; and conversion of part of first floor from women's prayer area to dining/living area.** Your application dated 19th January 2024 is permitted subject to the following:-

1. The development hereby approved shall be begun not later than 3 years following the date of this decision.

Reason: In pursuance of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, as amended by Section 51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

2. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following schedule of approved plans and documents:

Application for Planning Permission form;
Drawing no. PL/GMCEC/SD101 Existing ground floor layout received 22 January 2024;
Drawing no. PL/GMCEC/SD102 Existing basement layout;
Drawing no. PL/GMCEC/SD103 Existing elevations;
Drawing no. PL/GMCEC/SD104 Rev. A Proposed ground floor layout;
Drawing no. PL/GMCEC/SD105 Proposed basement layout received 26 April 2024;
Drawing no. PL/GMCEC/SD106 Proposed elevations received 26 April 2024;
Drawing no. PL/GMCEC/SD107 Existing and proposed block plans received 26 April 2024;
Drawing no. PL/GMCEC/SD108 Existing first floor layout;
Drawing no. PL/GMCEC/SD109 Parking plan;
Drawing no. PL/GMCEC/SD110 Proposed first floor layout;
Site location plan;

Statement received 26 April 2024;
Email from the agent received 19 January 2024; and
Email from the agent received 04 April 2024.

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper planning.

3. The development hereby permitted shall not commence until an amended Green Travel Plan (including details of prayer times and other events, existing and proposed parking layouts and management, an assessment of existing and proposed travel patterns, the proposed means to encourage more sustainable transport methods and methods for monitoring, review and update) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be undertaken in accordance with the approved Green Travel Plan for the lifetime of the permitted use.

Reason: That the development, without the provision of an amended green travel plan, is likely to lead to car parking inconvenient to other road users and detrimental to amenity and in accordance with Policy CS11 of the Gravesham Local Plan Core Strategy September 2014 and Saved Policy P3 of the Gravesham Local Plan First Review 1994.

4. The area shown in the approved Green Travel Plan as a frontage vehicle parking area shall be kept available at all times for such use, and no development, whether or not permitted by the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended), or any provision equivalent to that Order in any statutory instrument revoking and re-enacting that Order, with or without modification, shall be carried out on the site in such a manner or in such a position to preclude its use for vehicle parking.

Reason: That the development, without the frontage vehicle parking area, is likely to lead to car parking inconvenient to other road users and detrimental to amenity and in accordance with Policy CS11 of the Gravesham Local Plan Core Strategy September 2014 and Saved Policy P3 of the Gravesham Local Plan First Review 1994.

5. The basement shall be used only for storage, w.c.s and as a women's prayer area, as shown on drawing no. PL/GMCEC/SD105 (received 26 April 2024) and the first floor dining/living room (as shown on drawing no. PL/GMCEC/SD110) shall not be used as a prayer area at any time.

Reason: In order to ensure that any intensification of the use of the building may be the subject of a planning application which the Local Planning Authority would wish to determine on its merits and to protect residential amenity and highway safety in accordance with Policies CS11 and CS19 of the Gravesham Local Plan Core Strategy (2014).

6. Notwithstanding the details included on the application form and approved plans the materials to be used in the construction of the external surfaces of the development hereby permitted shall match those used in the existing building.

Reason: To ensure a satisfactory visual relationship between the existing and the new development in accordance with Policy CS19 of the Gravesham Local Plan Core Strategy (2014).

7. The applicant shall undertake a watching brief during construction in case any contamination issue is encountered. If during development any contamination is found, the Local Planning Authority (LPA) should be informed as soon as practical and the work shall not continue until written agreement is provided by the LPA as to the appropriate measures to be taken to resolve the matter and they are satisfied that those measures have been carried out.

Reason: To prevent harm to human health and pollution of the environment and in accordance with Policy CS19 of the Gravesham Local Plan Core Strategy (2014).

INFORMATIVES:-

1 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 38 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) 2023, the Local Planning Authority has approached the assessment and determination of this application in a positive and creative way and, where appropriate, has worked pro-actively with the applicant to secure a development that is sustainable and that improves the economic, social and environmental conditions of the area, and that is in accordance with the Development Plan for the area.

2 AGREEMENT FOR IMPOSITION OF PRE-COMMENCEMENT CONDITION(S)

In accordance with The Town and Country Planning (Pre Commencement Conditions) Regulations 2018 and paragraph 036 of the Planning Practice Guidance the Local Planning Authority has agreed in writing with the applicant on 26 June 2024 to the inclusion of the following pre-commencement condition.

Condition 3 - Amended Green Travel Plan

3 BUILDING REGULATIONS AND PARTY WALL ACT

This decision DOES NOT imply any consent which may be required under the Building Regulations or under any other enactment or provision. Nor does it override any private rights which any person may have relating to the land affected by this decision, including the provisions of the Party Wall etc. Act 1996.

4 DEVIATION FROM APPROVED PLANS

It is possible that any proposed deviation from the approved plans could be classed as a 'material' change requiring a further application/permission. In the event that any change is proposed, applicants are advised to seek advice from the Local Planning Authority [as proceeding without the necessary permissions could nullify this permission].

5 WORKS OF CONSTRUCTION

Hours of work of construction site plant, equipment and machinery, should be restricted to not earlier than 7.00 a.m. and not later than 6.00 p.m. weekdays and Saturday working should be restricted to not earlier than 8.00a.m. and not later than 1.00 p.m. No work shall be carried out on Sundays, Bank or Public Holidays.

i. Suitable sound attenuation shall be used at all times in respect of all plant, machinery and equipment in operation on site in order to aid prevention of noise nuisance. Compliance with BS 5228: Part 1: 1984 and subsequent amendments regarding the use of equipment on site will be required in appropriate cases.

ii. A suitable method of control shall be used in order to aid prevention of dust nuisance arising from work activities on site.

iii. Burning of waste materials shall not be carried out on site. Such materials are to be stored in a suitable receptacle, as far from residential accommodation as reasonably practicable, pending disposal off site.

iv. Adequate arrangements shall be made to remove all waste material from the site on a regular basis and to dispose of it at a suitably licensed waste disposal site.

6 SMOKE CONTROL

The proposed development is situated in a smoke control area. As such, only authorised smokeless fuels as listed in the Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) Regulations 1991 shall be burnt or fireplaces/appliances exempted by Smoke Control (Exempted Fireplaces) Orders shall be utilised. Exempt appliances are appliances (ovens including pizza and tandoori ovens, wood burners and stoves) which have been exempted by Statutory Instruments (Orders) under the Clean Air Act 1993. These have passed tests to confirm that they are capable of burning an unauthorised or inherently smoky solid fuel without emitting smoke. They must be fitted and used according to manufacturer's instructions and they can only be used for the fuel for which they are designed.

When purchasing fuels and fireplaces the applicant should clarify with the vendor their suitability with respect to use in Smoke Control Areas. For further information, including confirmation that an appliance and/or fuel is suitable for use in a smoke control area, the applicant should contact the Council's Regulatory Services air.quality@gravesham.gov.uk.

Dated: 28 June 2024

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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.