



Application: 20240688

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACTS
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE)
(ENGLAND) ORDER 2015 (AS AMENDED)**

DETERMINATION AS TO WHETHER PRIOR APPROVAL IS REQUIRED

To: **Mr Berger
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TAKE NOTICE that **GRAVESHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL**, the Local Planning Authority under the Town and Country Planning Acts, has **DETERMINED THAT PRIOR APPROVAL** for the relevant matters for the development of land as described below **IS REQUIRED AND REFUSED**

at **12A The Parade
Valley Drive
Gravesend
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and being **Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed; change of use from 1 two bed dwelling into two studio flats (Class C3) of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) - Schedule 2, Part 3, Class G.**

Your application dated 23rd July 2024 is refused on the following grounds:-

1. The site is in mixed use with a Class E commercial unit on ground floor only and a residential C3 dwelling above. Therefore, the building contains two separate planning units and does not fall within Class E of the Use Class Order and does not meet the requirement of Class G(a) of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015, as amended.

As such, the proposal is not permitted development and prior approval is **refused**.

INFORMATIVES:-

1 DRAWINGS AND DOCUMENTS

For the avoidance of doubt the decision to refuse this application was taken in relation to the following plans and documents:

Application Form - 18 July 2024;
Supplementary Information - Email from Agent as evidence (dated - 17 September 2024);
Supplementary Information - Bexley Council Decision Notice (24/02012/PRIORM);
Drawing no. E00 - Site Location Plan and Existing Block Plan;

Drawing no. E01 - Existing Floor Plans;
Drawing no. E02 - Existing Elevations (Front and Rear);
Drawing no. E03 - Existing Elevation (Side - Right);
Drawing no. E04 - Existing Elevation (Side - Left);
Drawing no. E05 - Existing Section A-A;
Drawing no. P01 - Proposed Floor Plans;
Drawing no. P02 - Proposed Elevations (Front and Rear);
Drawing no. P03 - Proposed Elevation (Side - Right);
Drawing no. P04 - Proposed Elevation (Side - Left);
Drawing no. P05 - Proposed Section A-A.

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 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 manner. In this instance the proposal fails to comply with Class G(a) of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015, as amended, and cannot be supported.

Dated: 25 September 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.
- Appeals can be made online at: <https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate>. If you are unable to access the online appeal form, please contact the Planning Inspectorate to obtain a paper copy of the appeal form on tel: 0303 444 5000.
- 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.