

Application: 20250628

**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 Chris Eccles
C/O Mr David Sullivan, Westleigh Design
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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:

**Angel Oak
24A Willow Walk
Meopham
Gravesend
Kent
DA13 0QS**

and being **Erection of an outbuilding for use as a granny annex**. Your application dated 23rd June 2025 is permitted subject to the following:-

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

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 approved plans and particulars:

Application form
Arboricultural Survey and Constraints (ref. tr-1851-25, dated 27 May 2025)
Planning Statement
Drawing no. tr-1851-25 - Arboricultural survey and constraints
OS Plan
Existing Block Plan
Proposed Block Plan
Proposed Raft Foundation Plan
Proposed Ground Floor Plan
Proposed Elevations
Proposed Roof Plan
Proposed Section.

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

3. In this Condition "retained tree" means an existing tree which is shown to be retained in accordance with the approved plans and particulars.

No retained tree shall be cut down, uprooted or destroyed, nor shall any retained tree be pruned other than in accordance with the approved plans and particulars. Any pruning approved shall be carried out in accordance with British Standard 3998 (Tree Work).

If any retained tree is removed, uprooted, destroyed or dies, another tree shall be planted on the site. Any retained trees that die, are damaged, removed or become diseased within five years from the first occupation of the outbuilding hereby permitted shall be replaced with a species of a similar size and species during the next available planting season.

Reason: To protect and enhance the appearance and character of the site and locality, in accordance with Policies CS12 and CS19 of the Gravesham Local Plan Core Strategy 2014.

4. The outbuilding hereby permitted as an annexe/ancillary living accommodation shall only be occupied by persons related to a resident of the main dwellinghouse at any time, and in a manner in conjunction with the original dwellinghouse at Angel Oak, 24A Willow Walk, Meopham, as a (combined) single planning unit and shall not be used, let or sold at any time as a self-contained, separate unit of living accommodation.

Reason: To safeguard against subdivision of the existing single residential dwelling that would facilitate independent occupation of the outbuilding, as a separate unit of accommodation would be inappropriate on this site, in accordance with Policies CS02 and CS19 of the Gravesham Local Plan Core Strategy 2014.

5. Notwithstanding the provisions of Part 2, Class A of Schedule 2 to the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015, as amended (or any provision equivalent to those classes in any Order revoking or re-enacting that Order) no gate, fence or other means of enclosure shall be erected or constructed on the site which would have the effect of subdividing the existing residential curtilage.

Reason: To safeguard against subdivision of the existing single residential curtilage that would facilitate independent occupation of the outbuilding, as a separate unit of accommodation would be inappropriate on this site, in accordance with Policies CS02 and CS19 of the Gravesham Local Plan Core Strategy 2014.

INFORMATIVES:-

1 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.

2 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].

3 BUILDING REGULATIONS CONSENT

The granting of planning permission is independent from the granting of Building Regulations consent (which may, or may not, be required). In the event of a change to the scheme granted planning permission being required to satisfy the Building Regulations, applicants are advised to seek advice from the Local Planning Authority [as proceeding without the necessary permissions could nullify this permission].

4 COUNCIL TAX BANDS AND SELF-CONTAINED UNITS

It should be noted that any development which creates self-contained accommodation in the form of an annex could have implications for the Council Tax banding for the host property. For more information on this please see the Government's website for Council Tax:

<https://www.gov.uk/council-tax>, or contact Gravesham Borough Council on:
council.tax@gravesham.gov.uk

5 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 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.

Dated: 11 August 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.