

# NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 2015

## **DECISION NOTICE**

**Correspondence Address:** Fisher BIC116 The Medbic Alan Cherry Drive Chelmsford CM27SQ Applicant: Mr Evans

#### PARTICULARS OF DEVELOPMENT

**Application:** 16/01797/1

**Proposal:** 30 dwellings together with associated access, parking, amenity and open space. (Site layout amended by amended plans received 29/01/17, 23/03/17 and 22/08/17). (Please note plans received on 23/03/17 are only a minor site layout alteration).

Location: Land Rear Of 4-14, Claybush Road, Ashwell, SG7 5RA

Plan Nos: 072/egress 072/064.F DES/072/011 DES/072/600 DES/072/601 1130.P1.650.C 1130.P3.500A 1130.P3.485B 1130.P3.501A/B 072/067 DES/072/602 1130.P1.650 Rev C 1130.P1.600 Rev J 100C 1130.P2.432 Rev B 1130.P2.433 Rev B 1130.P2.434 Rev B 1130.P3.Rev P1 1130.P3.451 Rev P1 1130.P3.452 Rev P1 1130.P3.454 Rev P1 1130.P3.455 Rev P1 1130.P3.502. Rev B 1130.P3.503 Rev 1130.P3.504 Rev B 1130.P3.510 1130.P3.511 В 1130.P3.512 Rev P1 1130.P3.490 Rev B 1130.P3.491 Rev B 1130.P3.513 Rev P1 1130.P3.514 Rev P1 1130.P3.515 Rev P1 1130.P3.540 Rev A 1130.P3.542 A 1130.P3.543 Rev A 1130.P3.544 Rev A 1130.P3.545 A 1130.P3.541 Rev A 1130.P3.414 Rev A 1130.P3.415 Rev B 1130.P3.420 1130.P3.421 1130.P1.400 Rev Q 1130.P3.410 1130.P3.411 Rev A 1130.P3.422 1130.P3.423 1130.P3.424 1130.P2.430 Rev B 1130.P2.431 Rev B 1130.P3.492 Rev B 1130.P3.493 Rev B 1130.P3.412 Rev B 1130.P3.413 Rev B 1130.P3.494 Rev B S278 plan 072 Amended 552 type P168 Amended 1130.P3.543A type P166 Amended 484B type G642 Amended 483B type G642 Amended 482B - G642 Amended 468 Type G93 467 Type G93 466 Type G93 469 Type ~G93 100A 440 - P1 441 - P1 Type S104 442 - P1 Type S104 443 - P1 Type S104 444 - P1 Type S104 1130.P3.453 Rev P1 472 - P1 Type G94 473 - P1 Type G94 445 - P1 Type S104 446 Type S104 447 Type S104 448 Type S104 449 Type S104 460 - Type G93 461 Type G93 462 - P1 Type G93 463 - P1 Type G93 463 - P1 Type G93 464 - P1 Type G93 465 - P1 Type G93 495 - P1 Type P168 470 Type G94 471 Type G94 000/30 4890 1 and 2 072/SK03 072-080 1 of 3 072-081 2 of 3 474 - P1 Type G94 475 - P1 Type G94 476 Type G94.1 477 Type G94.1 478 Type G94.1 505 - P1 Type P166 479 Type G94.1 520 Studio Type 1 521 Studio Type 1 522 Studio Type 1 523 Studio Type 1 530 Studio Type 2 531 - P1 Studio Type 2 532 - P1 Studio Type 2 540 Single Garage 541 Double Garage 542 Carports 543 Single Garage Variant

#### PARTICULARS OF DECISION

In pursuance of its powers under the above Act and the associated Orders and Regulations, the Council hereby **GRANT PERMISSION** for the development proposed by you in your application received with sufficient particulars on 27 July 2016, subject to the following condition(s):

1. The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of 3 years from the date of this permission.

Reason: To comply with the provisions 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 wholly in accordance with the details specified in the application and supporting approved documents and plans listed above.

Reason: To ensure the development is carried out in accordance with details which form the basis of this grant of permission.

3. Details and/or samples of materials to be used on all external elevations and the roofs of the development hereby permitted shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority before the development is commenced and the approved details shall be implemented on site.

Reason: To ensure that the development will have an acceptable appearance which does not detract from the appearance and character of the surrounding area.

4. Before any development commences on site, full details covering the following are to be submitted to, and agreed in writing by, the Local Planning Authority. The agreed details are to be implemented on site:

a) which, if any, of the existing vegetation is to be removed and which is to be retained;

b) what new trees, shrubs, hedges and grassed areas are to be planted, together with the species proposed and the size and density of planting. The planting along the south side of the vehicle access way is to be enhanced / increased;

c) the location and type of any new walls, fences or other means of enclosure and any hardscaping proposed;

d) details of any earthworks proposed.

Reason: To ensure the submitted details are sufficiently comprehensive to enable proper consideration to be given to the appearance of the completed development.

5. The approved details of landscaping shall be carried out before the end of the first planting season following either the first occupation of any of the buildings or the completion of the development, whichever is the later; and any trees or plants which, within a period of 5 years from the completion of the development, die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased, shall be replaced during the next planting season with others of similar size and species, unless the Local Planning Authority agrees in writing to vary or dispense with this requirement.

Reason: To safeguard and enhance the appearance of the completed development and the visual amenity of the locality.

6. None of the trees to be retained on the application site shall be felled, lopped, topped, uprooted, removed or otherwise destroyed or killed without the prior written agreement of the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To safeguard and enhance the appearance of the completed development and the visual amenity of the locality.

7. Before the commencement of any other works on the site, trees to be retained shall be protected by the erection of temporary chestnut paling or chain link fencing of a minimum height of 1.2 metres on a scaffolding framework, located at the appropriate minimum distance from the tree trunk in accordance with Section 4.6 of BS5837:2012 'Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations, unless in any particular case the Local Planning Authority agrees to dispense with this requirement. The fencing shall be maintained intact for the duration of all engineering and building works. No building materials shall be stacked or mixed within 10 metres of the tree. No fires shall be lit where flames could extend to within 5 metres of the foliage, and no notices shall be attached to trees.

Reason: To prevent damage to or destruction of trees to be retained on the site in the interests of the appearance of the completed development and the visual amenity of the locality.

8. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 as amended no development as set out in Classes A, B, C, D and E of Part 1 of Schedule 2 to the Order, (or any subsequent Statutory Instrument which revokes, amends and/or replaces those provisions) shall be carried out without first obtaining a specific planning permission from the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: Given the nature of this development, the Local Planning Authority considers that development which would normally be "permitted development" should be retained within planning control in the interests of the character and amenities of the area.

- 9. Prior to any other development and / or construction works on site, the proposed access shall first be constructed to base course construction for the first 12 metres and the join to the existing carriageway is to be constructed to the current specification of Hertfordshire County Council and to the local Planning Authority's satisfaction. Reason: In the interests of highway safety and amenity
- The gradient of the access shall not be steeper than 1 in 50 for the first 12 metres from the edge of the carriageway.
  Reason: To ensure a vehicle is approximately level before being driven off and on to the highway.
- 11. The access road shall be a minimum of 5.50 metres wide and the kerb radii shall be 10 metres as identified on drawing number 072/064 revision F.

Reason: To facilitate the free and safe flow of other traffic on the highway and the safety and convenience of pedestrians and people with a disability.

12. Before the access is first brought into use vehicle to vehicle visibility splays of 2.4 metres x 90 metres to the northern direction and 2.4 metres x 84 metres to the southern direction shall be provided and permanently maintained. Within which there shall be no obstruction to visibility between 600 mm and 2.0 metres above the foot way level. These measurements shall be taken from the intersection of the centre line of the permitted access with the edge of the carriageway of the highway respectively into the application site and from the intersection point along the edge of the carriageway.

Reason: To provide adequate visibility for drivers entering and leaving the site.

13. Construction of the approved development shall not commence until a Construction Traffic Management Plan has been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority in consultation with the highway authority. Thereafter the construction of the development shall only be carried out in accordance with the approved Plan. The Construction Traffic Management Plan shall include construction vehicle numbers/routing of construction traffic and shall be carried out as approved.

Reason: In order to protect highway safety and the amenity of other users of the public highway.

14. Prior to the commencement of development a Construction Method Statement shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority in consultation with the highway authority. Thereafter the construction of the development shall only be carried out in accordance with the approved Statement.

The Construction Method Statement shall address the following matters:

a. Off site highway works in order to provide temporary access throughout the construction period, work shall be completed prior to the commencement of development, and reinstated as required;

b. Construction and storage compounds (including areas designated for car parking);

c. The Siting and details of wheel washing facilities;

d. Cable trenches within the public highway that affect traffic movement of existing residents;

e. Cleaning of site entrance and the adjacent public highways and,

f. Disposal of surplus materials.

Reason: In the interests of highway safety, amenity and free and safe flow of traffic.

- 15. A No development shall take place/commence until an Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation has been submitted to and approved by the local planning authority in writing. The scheme shall include an assessment of archaeological significance and research questions; and:
  - 1. The programme and methodology of site investigation and recording;
  - 2. The programme for post investigation assessment;
  - 3. Provision to be made for analysis of the site investigation and recording;

4. Provision to be made for publication and dissemination of the analysis and records of the site investigation;

5. Provision to be made for archive deposition of the analysis and records of the site investigation;

6. Nomination of a competent person or persons/organisation to undertake the works set out within the Archaeological Written Scheme of Investigation.

B The development shall take place/commence in accordance with the programme of archaeological works set out in the Written Scheme of Investigation approved under condition (A)

C The development shall not be occupied/used until the site investigation and post investigation assessment has been completed in accordance with the programme set out in the Written Scheme of Investigation approved under condition (A) and the provision made for analysis and publication where appropriate.

Reason: To protect any archaeological finds on site.

16. No development approved by this planning permission shall take place until a detailed surface water drainage scheme has been submitted to, and agreed in writing by the local planning authority. The surface water drainage system will be based on the submitted Flood Risk Assessment, Project no. 70020615, Revision 3, dated of December 2016, produce by WSP Parsons Brinckerhoff and updated additional information.

The surface water drainage scheme should include:

10 BRE Digest 365 compliant infiltration tests for the two soakaways, specifying the exact location and the exact depth where the infiltration features are proposed to be located. This should take into account that the bottom of the soakaways should be located below the clay layer (which is comprised between depths from 0.3m to 1.4m) so that infiltration will take place only through the base of the soakaway

2) If the infiltration rates obtained of the soakaways prove to be lower than 1.0x10-6 then the applicant should provide an alternative strategy in order to drain the surface water from the new development.

3) Once the results of the infiltration tests are known, all calculation should be updated including pre development and post development for all rainfall events up to and including the 1 in 100 year plus climate change event. The updated calculation should consider the whole site and not only the impermeable area. Also no flooding should occur at and below the 1 in 30 year rainfall event. It should be demonstrated that any flooding above this can be managed within the site without increasing flood risk to the proposed development and the surrounding area. Both the 1 in 100 year and the 1 in 100 year + climate change extents, depths and volumes should be established.

4) Full detailed drainage plan including location of SuDS measures, pipe runs and discharge points, informal flooding (no flooding to occur below and including the 1 in 30 year rainfall return period).

The scheme shall be fully implemented and subsequently maintained, in accordance with the timing / phasing arrangements embodied within the scheme or within any other period as may subsequently be agreed, in writing, by the local planning authority.

Reason: To ensure adequate drainage.

- 17. Upon completion of the drainage works a management and maintenance plan for the SuDS features and drainage network must be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall also include:
  - 1. Final confirmation of management and maintenance requirements
  - 2. Provision of complete set of as built drawings for both site drainage

Reason: To reduce the risk of flooding to the proposed development and future occupants.

18. No development shall commence until a foul water strategy has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. No dwellings shall be occupied until the works have been carried out in accordance with the foul water strategy so approved unless otherwise approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To prevent environmental and amenity problems arising from flooding.

- 19. Before any development commences on site, a landscape and ecological management plan (LEMP) shall be submitted to, and approved in writing by, the local planning authority. The content of the LEMP shall include the following.
  - a) Description and evaluation of features to be managed.
  - b) Ecological trends and constraints on site that might influence management.
  - c) Aims and objectives of management.
  - d) Appropriate management options for achieving aims and objectives.
  - e) Prescriptions for management actions.

f) Prescription of a work schedule (including an annual work plan capable of being rolled forward over a five-year period).

- g) Details of the body or organisation responsible for implementation of the plan.
- h) Ongoing monitoring and remedial measures.

The LEMP shall also include details of the legal and funding mechanism(s) by which the long-term implementation of the plan will be secured by the developer with the management body (ies) responsible for its delivery. The plan shall also set out (where the results form monitoring show that contingencies and/or remedial action will be identified, agreed and implemented so that the development still delivers the fully functioning biodiversity objectives of the originally approved scheme. The approved plan will be implemented in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To protect the natural environment.

20. Prior to occupation a 'lighting design strategy for biodiversity' for areas to be lit shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The strategy shall:

a) Identify those areas/features on site that are particularly sensitive for bats and that are likely to cause disturbance in or around their breeding sites and resting places or along important routes used to access key areas of their territory, for example, for foraging; and

b) show how and where external lighting will be installed (through the provision of appropriate lighting contour plans and technical specification) so that it can be clearly demonstrated that areas to be lit will not disturb or prevent the above species using their territory or having access to their breeding sites and resting places.

All external lighting shall be installed in accordance with the specifications and locations set out in the strategy, and these shall be maintained thereafter in accordance with the strategy. Under no circumstances should any other external lighting be installed without prior consent from the local planning authority.

Reason: To protect bats.

21. No development approved by this permission shall be commenced until a Site Investigation (Phase II environmental risk assessment) report has been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority which includes:

A full identification of the location and concentration of all pollutants on this site and the presence of relevant receptors, and;

(ii) The results from the application of an appropriate risk assessment Methodology

No development approved by this permission (other than that necessary for the discharge of this condition) shall be commenced until a Remediation Method Statement report; if required as a result of (a), above; has been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority.

This site shall not be occupied, or brought into use, until:

All works which form part of the Remediation Method Statement report pursuant to the discharge of condition (b) above have been fully completed and if required a formal agreement is submitted that commits to ongoing monitoring and/or maintenance of the remediation scheme.

A Remediation Verification Report confirming that the site is suitable for use has been submitted to, and agreed by, the Local Planning Authority.

Any contamination, other than that reported by virtue of condition (a) encountered during the development of this site shall be brought to the attention of the Local Planning Authority as soon as practically possible; a scheme to render this contamination harmless shall be submitted to and agreed by, the Local Planning Authority and subsequently fully implemented prior to the occupation of this site.

Reason: To ensure that any contamination affecting the site is dealt with in a manner that safeguards human health, the built and natural environment and controlled waters.

22. Prior to occupation each property with dedicated parking (either in the form of a garage or dedicated space adjacent to a house) shall incorporate an Electric Vehicle (EV) ready domestic charging point.

Reason: To contribute to the objective of providing a sustainable transport network and to provide the necessary infrastructure to help off-set the adverse impact of the operational phase of the development on local air quality.

23. No development shall take place until details of a scheme for the provision of fire hydrants to serve the relevant phases of the development has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure that the necessary infrastructure for the development is in place and to meet the requirements of the fire authority.

24. Prior to the commencement of the development hereby permitted, full details of a scheme of measures for the safety of all road users for works on Ashwell Street,

incorporating measures identified in the applicant's safety audit and the Council's safety audit (including street lighting for the benefit of Ashwell Street) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure appropriate safety measures are undertaken along Ashwell Street to improve pedestrian and vehicular safety into and out of the site.

25. The development hereby permitted shall not commence until all safety measures approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority under condition 24 of this planning permission identified are implemented in full. The completed works shall thereafter be retained and maintained to the satisfaction of the Local Planning Authority in perpetuity.

Reason: To ensure safe vehicular and pedestrian access into and out of the application site and the correct phasing of development. To ensure that the applicant is able to implement these works before the development on the application commences. To ensure the development complies with the requirements of Policy AS1 of the North Hertfordshire Submission Local Plan (2011-2031).

#### Proactive Statement:

Planning permission has been granted for this proposal. The Council acted proactively through positive engagement with the applicant during the determination process which led to improvements to the scheme. The Council has therefore acted proactively in line with the requirements of the Framework (paragraph 38) and in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015.

#### Informative/s:

1. Highways Informative:

1. Works to be undertaken on the adjoining highway shall be constructed to the satisfaction of the Highway Authority and in accordance with Hertfordshire County Council publication Roads in Hertfordshire Highway Design Guide. Before proceeding with the proposed development, the applicant shall contact https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/highways-roads-and-pavements/highways-roads-and-pavements.aspx or call on 0300 1234 047 to obtain the requirements for the associated road works as part of the development.

This should be carried out prior to any development work is carried out.

PLANNING OBLIGATION INFORMATIVE: Through the planning process Hertfordshire County Council would recommend that a financial contribution is provided by developers toward an integrated transport scheme to mitigate the incremental increase in traffic impact from developments and maximise the sustainability of the site in transport terms where safety and passenger transport improvements would then be delivered in order of need.

This approach is consistent and relate to the scale and impact of development. The sustainable contribution means the sum of eight thousand pounds (£8,000)

(Index Linked) as a contribution towards the design and construction of highway improvement works to the bus stops along the High Street that will encourage users of the Development to travel to and from the Development by means of transport other than the private car which the County Council determines will contribute to the improvement of highway conditions on parts of the network affected by traffic associated with the Development.

#### OFFSITE WORKS INFORMATIVE:

The requirement as part of the offsite s278 works is to include the to extend the existing speed limit to the south. The details of the Speed Limit Order should be included as part of the s278 drawing as part of the required highway work in conjunction with the development.

As a requirement of the section 106 agreement the bus stops along Station Road are required to be upgraded to Disability Discrimination Act standards in order to maximise accessibility of the site. The bus stops will need to be upgraded with easy access kerbs (the existing shelter may need relocating). This will need to be agreed in conjunction with appropriate parties. These works shall be secured through the s106 agreement.

#### Reason:

1. To ensure that work undertaken on the highway is constructed to the current Highway Authority's specification, to an appropriate standard and by a contractor who is authorised to work in the Public Highway.

2. Prior to commencement of the development the applicant is advised to contact the 0300 1234 047 to arrange a site visit to agree a condition survey of the approach of the highway leading to the development likely to be used for delivery vehicles to the development. Under the provisions of Section 59 of the Highways Act 1980 the developer may be liable for any damage caused to the public highway as a result of traffic associated with the development. Herts County Council may require an Officer presence during movements of larger loads, or videoing of the movements may be considered.

EV Recharging Infrastructure Informative

EV Charging Point Specification:

Each charging point, whether wall or post-mounted shall be installed by an appropriately certified electrician/electrical contractor in accordance with the following specification. The necessary certification of electrical installation should be submitted as evidence of appropriate installation to meet the requirements of Part P of the most current Building Regulations.

Cable and circuitry ratings should be of adequate size to ensure a minimum continuous current demand for the vehicle of 16A and a maximum demand of 32A (which is recommended for Eco developments)

A separate dedicated circuit protected by an RBCO should be provided from the main distribution board, to a suitably enclosed termination point within a garage or

an accessible enclosed termination point for future connection to an external charge point.

The electrical circuit shall comply with the Electrical requirements of BS7671: 2008 as well as conform to the IET code of practice on Electric Vehicle Charging Equipment installation 2012 ISBN 978-1-84919-515-7 (PDF)

If installed in a garage all conductive surfaces should be protected by supplementary protective equipotential bonding. For vehicle connecting points installed such that the vehicle can only be charged within the building, e.g. in a garage with a (non-extended) tethered lead, the PME earth may be used. For external installations the risk assessment outlined in the IET code of practice must be adopted, and may require additional earth stake or mat for the EV charging circuit. This should be installed as part of the EV ready installation to avoid significant on cost later.

**Environmental Protection Informative:** 

During construction phase the guidance in BS5228-1:2009 (Code of Practice for noise

Control on construction and open sites) should be adhered to:

During the construction phase no activities should take place outside the following hours:

Monday to Friday 08:00-18:00hrs; Saturdays 08:00-13:00hrs and Sundays and Bank

Holidays: no work at any time.

Drainage Informative:

We noted that the applicant has provided a SuDS Maintenance and Management Plan, Reference 70020615, dated of 15 December 2016, produced by WSP.

It is stated that the maintenance of the structures will be responsibility of the private management company to be set up by the developer. It is also stated that the property owners will have to undertake complete replacement of any drainage component once they have reached the end of their functional lifetime and when repair is not the practicable solution.

The LPA needs to be satisfied that the maintenance arrangements for proposed drainage scheme are suitable and can be maintained for its lifetime.

> **Development Management** North Hertfordshire District Council **Council Offices** Gernon Road Letchworth Herts SG6 3JF

Signed:

Development & Conservation Manager **Date:** 24 September 2019

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### <u>NOTES</u>

- 1 Failure to satisfy conditions may invalidate this permission and/or result in enforcement action. Particular attention should be paid to the requirements of any condition in bold.
- 2 Circular 04/2008 (Planning Related Fees) states that where an application is made under Article 21 of the Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 1995, a fee will be payable for any consent, agreement or approval required by condition or limitation attached to the grant of planning permission.
- <sup>3</sup> The fee is £116 per request or £34 where the permission relates to an extension or alteration to a dwellinghouse or other development in the curtilage of the dwellinghouse. No fee is required for applications resulting from a condition removing "permitted development rights".

The request can be informal through the submission of a letter or plans, or formal through the completion of an application form and the submission of plans. Any number of conditions may be included on a single request. The form is available on the Council's website:

www.north-herts.gov.uk/home/planning/planning-applications/submit-planningapplication

4 If the development hereby permitted is one that will require a new postal address/es then please contact the Council's **street naming and numbering service** on 01462 474431 or email SNN@north-herts.gov.uk who will advise you on how to apply for the new address/es.

Any proposed sales and/or marketing name to be adopted by the developer should be forwarded to the **street naming and numbering service**, prior to any publication of the site details and sales information.

5 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 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: <u>https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate</u>. 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.

#### 6 **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 he 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 (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.

7 The District Council and County Highway Authority wish to ensure that, in the implementation of the development, hereby approved, the highway verge adjacent to the property is not damaged or does not become unsightly due to the stationing of skips, parking of vehicles, storing of building materials etc thereon. Your attention is, therefore, drawn to the provisions of Section 131 of the Highways Act 1980 and to the Hertfordshire County Council Bylaws 1955 (specifically relating to grass margins and verges in Letchworth Garden City) by virtue of which such actions, unless authorised by the prior grant of a licence, constitute a prosecutable offence. Persons responsible for undertaking the development and any associated works are, therefore, strongly encouraged to take appropriate steps to ensure that no breach of the said legislation occurs during the course of such activities. In the event of any damage being caused it will be expected that suitable reinstatement is undertaken upon completion of the development. Failure to do so could also result in legal action being pursued. To obtain information regarding the issue of licences, contact Hertfordshire Highways, Hertfordshire County Council, County Hall, Pegs Lane, Hertford, SG138DQ or telephone 0300 1234 047.

THIS PLANNING PERMISSION DOES <u>NOT</u> CONSTITUTE APPROVAL UNDER BUILDING REGULATIONS AND IS NOT A LISTED BUILDING CONSENT OR CONSERVATION AREA CONSENT. IT DOES NOT CONVEY ANY APPROVAL OR CONSENT WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED UNDER ANY ENACTMENT, BYE-LAW, ORDER OR REGULATION OTHER THAN SECTION 57 OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990.