



**Town and Country Planning Act 1990**

**Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England)  
Order 2015**

**REFUSAL OF PERMISSION FOR DEVELOPMENT**

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**Application Number: 2023/62/91626/W**

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**To:** Hamish Gledhill,  
Acumen Designers & Architects Ltd  
Headrow House  
Old Leeds Road  
Huddersfield  
HD1 1SG

**For:** L Balderstone

**In pursuance of its powers under the above-mentioned Act and Order the KIRKLEES COUNCIL (hereinafter called "The Council") as Local Planning Authority hereby refuses to permit:-**

**At:** DEMOLITION OF OUTBUILDING AND ERECTION OF DETACHED DWELLING  
ADJ, 275, LONGWOOD ROAD, LONGWOOD, HUDDERSFIELD, HD3 4EL

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**In accordance with the plan(s) and applications submitted to the Council on 02-Jun-2023. The reasons for the Council's decision to refuse permission for the development are:**

1. The proposed dwelling, by reason of its siting and modern design, would introduce an unsympathetic, incongruous and cramped form of development that would result in an overdevelopment of the site. This would have a detrimental impact on the visual amenity and character and appearance of the local area and the traditional setting of no. 275 Longwood Road. The proposal would therefore be contrary to Policies LP1, LP2, LP11 and LP24(a) of the Kirklees Local Plan, Principles 2, 5, 6, 13, 14 and 15 of the Housebuilders Design Guide Supplementary Planning Document and policies within Chapter 12 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

2. In the absence of the submission of information relating to whether there are potential impacts to nesting birds and roosting, commuting and foraging bats during and post-development, how negative impacts to the Kirklees Wildlife Habitat Network are to be avoided and a how a biodiversity net gain is to be achieved post-development, a full and proper assessment of the impact of the development upon bats, birds, the Wildlife Habitat Network and Biodiversity cannot be undertaken contrary to Policy LP30 of the Kirklees Local Plan, Principle 9 of the Council's adopted Housebuilders Design Guide SPD and also policies within Chapter 15 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

3. In the absence of the submission of a Tree Survey, Arboricultural Impact Assessment, Arboricultural Method Statement, or details of existing and proposed land levels, a full and proper assessment of the impact the development upon mature and protected trees to the south cannot be undertaken contrary to Policies LP24 and LP33 of the Kirklees Local Plan and Chapter 15 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

4. Insufficient information has been submitted regarding access into the site in respect of sight lines, emergency vehicle access, storage and collection of waste and details of the width and gradients of the existing driveway. Without this information, it has not been demonstrated that a safe access exists or could be provided. The proposal is therefore contrary to Policies LP21 and LP22 of the Kirklees Local Plan, Chapter 9 of the National Planning Policy Framework and Principles 12 and 19 of the Housebuilders Design Guide Supplementary Planning Document.

#### **Plans and Specifications Schedule:**

<b>Plan Type</b>	<b>Reference</b>	<b>Web ID</b>	<b>Date Received</b>
Location Plan	LOC	-	2nd June 2023
Existing Site Plan	(100) 01	-	2nd June 2023
Site Plan & Site Section	(100) 02	-	2nd June 2023
Ground Floor Plan as Proposed	(100) 03	-	2nd June 2023
Elevations as Proposed	(100) 04	-	2nd June 2023
Indicative 3D Views	(100) 05	-	2nd June 2023
Design & Access Statement – Supporting Information	2847		2nd June 2023
Climate Change Statement – Supporting Information	-	-	2nd June 2023

Pursuant to article 35(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) Order 2015 and guidance in the National Planning Policy Framework, the Local Authority has, where possible, made a pre-application advice service available, complied with the Kirklees Development Management Charter 2015 and otherwise actively engaged with the applicant in dealing with the application. Following comments received from the Council's Ecologist a bat scoping survey was requested alongside details relating to biodiversity net gain and impacts on the Kirklees Wildlife Habitat Network. No details were provided by the applicant's agent.

### **Digital Infrastructure: Fibre to The Property (FTTP)**

Access to affordable and reliable broadband is necessary for Kirklees' residents, businesses, and visitors to take advantage of the growing digital economy and 'digital by default' services. Fibre optic cables direct to a property (FTTP) is the most reliable way of delivering high speed broadband connectivity and allows for gigabit internet speeds. Access to high quality digital infrastructure provides the foundations for, amongst other things:

- Economic prosperity – workforces that are digitally-literate enables business to thrive.
- Digital literacy – digital literacy and skills increase employability and people can exploit the internet for transactional, social, entertainment and learning purposes.
- New services – digital delivery can lower costs and provide innovative public and health services more conveniently.

It is therefore advised that digital infrastructure, including FTTP, and its benefits for the development be considered from the earliest feasible stage. Methods include working with Internet Service Providers to install digital infrastructure alongside other utilities or providing pre-infrastructure allowing for speedier installation at a later date.

To discuss the benefits that FTTP may have for your development, please contact Carl Tinson in Kirklees Council's Digital Team at [carl.tinson@kirklees.gov.uk](mailto:carl.tinson@kirklees.gov.uk)

**Note:** The provision of fibre infrastructure is often available from certain telecommunications providers free of charge for development over a certain scale, provided that sufficient notice is given. Notice periods are typically at least 12 months prior to first occupation. In some cases, providers may request a contribution from the developer.

**Note:** Where no telecommunications provider has been secured to provide fibre infrastructure by the time of highway construction, it is advised that additional dedicated telecommunications ducting is incorporated alongside other utilities to enable the efficient and cost-effective provision of fibre infrastructure in the future.

**The application has been publicised by notice(s) in the vicinity of the site. It is respectfully requested that the notice(s) now be removed and responsibly disposed of to avoid harm to the appearance of the area**

## 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 then you can appeal to the Secretary of State under section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- If an enforcement notice is served or has been served relating to the same or substantially the same land and development as in your application and if you want to appeal against the local planning authority's decision on your application, then you must do so within:
  - i) 28 days from the date of this notice where the enforcement notice has been served,
  - ii) 28 days of the date of service of the enforcement notice or,
  - iii) the specified period starting from the date of this notice,whichever period expires earlier.
- If you want to appeal against your Local Planning Authority's decision then you must do so within the specified period, starting on the date of this notice.
- The "specified period" is 12 weeks where the development relates to a "minor commercial application" as defined within the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) Order 2010 (as amended), or 6 months in any other case.
- Appeals must be made using a form which you can get from the Secretary of State at Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN (Tel: 0303 444 5000) or online at [the Planning Inspectorate website](#)  
Further information on the Planning Appeal process can be found online at [the Planning Inspectorates website](#)
- You must use the correct Planning Appeal Form when making your appeal. If requesting forms from the Planning Inspectorate, please state the type of application that the appeal relates to so they can send you the appeal form you require.
- 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.

Please note, only the applicant possesses the right of appeal.

#### **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. 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.

An important part of improving our service is to review your feedback on the way that we have dealt with your planning application(s). Please take a couple of minutes to email your comments to [dc.admin@kirklees.gov.uk](mailto:dc.admin@kirklees.gov.uk) so that we can work on continually improving our customer service. Thank you.

**Dated:** 15-Aug-2023

**Signed:**



**David Shepherd**  
**Strategic Director Growth and Regeneration**

#### **Decision Documents**

The decision notice indicates which documents relate to the decision. These documents can be viewed online at the [Kirklees Planning Website](#), by clicking on the 'search and view existing planning applications and decisions' and by searching for application number 2023/62/91626/W.

If a paper copy of the decision notice or decided plans are required please email [dc.admin@kirklees.gov.uk](mailto:dc.admin@kirklees.gov.uk) or telephone 01484 414746 with the application number. There may be a charge for this service.

All communications should be sent to one of the following address:

**E-mail:** [dc.admin@kirklees.gov.uk](mailto:dc.admin@kirklees.gov.uk)

**Write to:** Kirklees Council  
Planning and Development Service  
PO Box 1720 Huddersfield HD1 9EL

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