KIRKLEES COUNCIL

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990, SECTION 192
(as amended by Section 10 of the Planning and Compensation Act 1991)

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PROCEDURE) ORDER 2015: ARTICLE 39

CERTIFICATE OF LAWFUL USE OR DEVELOPMENT

Application Number: 2025/CL/91182/W

To: R Kane
20, Chapel Terrace
Crosland Moor
Huddersfield
HD4 5DZ

For: R Kane

FIRST SCHEDULE	CERTIFICATE OF LAWFULNESS FOR PROPOSED CHANGE OF USE OF PLACE OF WORSHIP TO COMMUNITY CENTRE
SECOND SCHEDULE	CHURCH OF ST FRANCIS, FIXBY ROAD, FIXBY, HUDDERSFIELD, HD2 2JQ

KIRKLEES COUNCIL HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ON 23-JUN-2025 THE USE DESCRIBED IN THE FIRST SCHEDULE THERETO IN RESPECT OF THE LAND SPECIFIED IN THE SECOND SCHEDULE HERETO AND EDGED RED ON THE PLANS ATTACHED TO THIS CERTIFICATE WOULD BE LAWFUL WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 192 OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED), FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

On the balance of probabilities, the proposed use of the building at Church of St Francis, Fixby Road, Fixby, Huddersfield, HD2 2JQ as described in the supporting statement would not amount to a material change of use from a Place of Worship (Class F1) to Community Centre (Class F2), as defined by the Use Classes Order 1987 (as amended).

Plans and specifications schedule:-

Plan Type	Reference	Web ID	Date Received
Application form	App Form		30.04.2025
Site Plan	-		23.06.2025
Supporting Statement	Planning Statement		30.04.2025

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 Planning Authority have, 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.

Development within a Coal Mining Area

DEVELOPMENT LOW RISK AREA - STANDING ADVICE

The proposed development lies within a coal mining area which may contain unrecorded coal mining related hazards. If any coal mining feature is encountered during development, this should be reported immediately to the Mining Remediation Authority on 0345 762 6846 or if a hazard is encountered on site call the emergency line 0800 288 4242.

Further information is also available on the Mining Remediation Authority website at: Mining Remediation Authority - GOV.UK

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 speeder installation at a later date.

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.

If 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

NOTES:

(1) This certificate is issued solely for the purpose of section 192 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

(2) It certifies that the use specified in the First Schedule taking place on the land described in the Second Schedule would be lawful on the specified date and, thus, was not liable to enforcement action under Section 172 of the 1990 Act on that date.

(3) This certificate applies only to the extent of the use described in the First Schedule and to the land specified in the Second Schedule and identified on the attached plan. Any use which is materially different from that described or which relates to other land may render the owner or occupier liable to enforcement action.

(4) The effect of the certificate is also qualified by the proviso in Section 192 (4) of the 1990 Act, as amended, which states that the lawfulness of a described use or operation is only conclusively presumed where there has been no material change, before the use is instituted or the operations begun, in any of the matters relevant to determining such lawfulness.

(5) If the applicant is aggrieved by the decision of the Local Planning Authority to issue a certificate of lawfulness of development, for any part development applied for (including any modification or substitution of the description of the use), s/he may appeal to the Secretary of State in accordance with Sections 195 and 196 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).
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 Inspectorates website. Further information on the Planning Appeal process can be found online at the Planning Inspectorates website

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 so that we can work on continually improving our customer service. Thank you.

Dated: 16-Jul-2025

Signed: 

David Shepherd
Executive Director for Place

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