



## Planning Application Decision Notice

**To:** James Whipp c/o Natalie Garside,  
ADP Architecture & Design  
The Old Police Station  
16, Bridge Lane  
Holmfirth  
HD9 7AN

**For:** D Seabridge

### Town and Country Planning Act 1990

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

### PLANNING PERMISSION FOR DEVELOPMENT

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**Application Number: 2025/62/91191/W**

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

ERECTION OF EXTERNAL STEPS AND RETAINING WALL WITH EXCAVATION WORKS AND ASSOCIATED ALTERATIONS (WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA)

**At:** 20, UPPERTHONG LANE, HOLMFIRTH, HD9 3BE

**In accordance with the plan(s), documents and application submitted to the Council on 30-Apr-2025, except as amended or specified, details of which can be found in the table below and subject to the condition(s) specified hereunder:-**

1. The development hereby permitted shall be begun within three years of the date of this permission.

**Reason:** Pursuant to the requirements of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

2. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in complete accordance with the plans and specifications schedule listed in this decision notice, except as may be specified in the conditions attached to this permission, which shall in all cases take precedence.

**Reason:** For the avoidance of doubt as to what is being permitted and to accord with Policies LP01, LP02, LP21, LP22 & LP24 of the Kirklees Local Plan, Principles 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 & 15 of the Council's adopted House Extensions & Alterations Supplementary Planning Document and Policies within Chapters 2, 9, 12 and 14 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

3. The materials of the external retaining wall and steps hereby approved shall in all respects match those used in the construction of the existing building, with a zinc standing seam roof to the boiler room as indicated on the approved plans.

**Reason:** In the interests of visual amenity and in accordance with Policies LP01, LP02 & LP24 of the Kirklees Local Plan, Principles 1 and 2 the Council's adopted House Extensions and Alterations Supplementary Planning Document and policies within Chapter 12 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

**NOTE:** Due to its location, a bat roost may be present on site. Bats are a European protected species under regulation 42 of The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017. It is an offence for anyone intentionally to kill, injure or handle a bat, disturb a roosting bat, or sell or offer a bat for sale without a licence. It is also an offence to damage, destroy or obstruct access to any place used by bats for shelter, whether they are present or not. If bats are discovered on site development shall cease and the applicant is advised to contact Natural England for advice.

Plans and specifications schedule:-

Plan Type	Reference	Version	Date Received
Site plan and sections as existing	25011D-13-P01	-	30/04/2025
GA as existing	25011D-10-P01	-	30/04/2025
Floor plans as proposed	25011D-11-P01	-	30/04/2025
Elevations as proposed	25011D-12-P01	-	30/04/2025
Application Forms	-	-	30/04/2025
Design and Access and Heritage Statement	25011	-	30/04/2025
Climate change statement	25011	-	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 Authority have, where possible, made a pre-application advice service available, complied with the Kirklees Development Management Charter 2024 and otherwise actively engaged with the applicant in dealing with the application. No amendments were sought as it was considered that the proposal was acceptable as submitted.

### Building Regulations

- Building Regulations Approval is required for most work involving building operations and/or structural alterations. It is the applicant's responsibility to find out if the work permitted by this planning permission needs approval under the Building Regulations, and if necessary to submit an application. If you are not the applicant can you please ensure the applicant is aware of this requirement. Please contact Kirklees Building Control on 01484 221550 or via e-mail to [building.control@kirklees.gov.uk](mailto:building.control@kirklees.gov.uk), alternatively visit [www.kirklees.gov.uk/psc](http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/psc) for more information.

### Site Notice

- Where the application has been publicised by notice(s) in the vicinity of the site. Please would you now remove the notice(s) and responsibly dispose of to avoid harm to the appearance of the local area.

### **Details Reserved by Condition**

- This permission has been granted subject to conditions. Some of the conditions may require you to submit further details. These conditions normally contain the wording “***submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority***”.
- You can apply online for approval of these details at the Planning Portals website at [www.planningportal.gov.uk](http://www.planningportal.gov.uk). Alternatively the forms and supporting guidance for submitting an application can be found online at [www.kirklees.gov.uk/planning](http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/planning).
- This Authority recognises the need to ensure that you are able to develop the site as effectively and flexibly as possible. However, at the same time it must ensure that development is in accordance with the terms of the planning conditions and legal agreement and the expectations of elected members and local residents set through the decision process.
- You should note the triggers for compliance with the conditions of this planning permission. This Authority is committed to processing applications to discharge conditions in a timely manner. It is important to ensure that submissions are made as far in advance of the trigger to allow time for adequate consultation, discussion and in some circumstances publicity.
- It is important that applications to discharge conditions are accompanied by sufficient information to enable this Authority and its consultees to fully consider and determine the proposals. Whilst officers will endeavour to negotiate solutions, failure to provide a comprehensive submission may result in delay and refusal of the application.
- If you commence work without discharging conditions you are at risk of enforcement action and invalidating your permission if the planning condition is a pre commencement condition.

### **Amendment(s) to Approved Plans**

- This permission relates to the plans and documents listed on this decision notice. Should the proposal change significantly, a new application will be required.
- If however the change proposed is small, such as an altered window or door, you can apply for the change to be considered as a non-material amendment. The forms and supporting guidance for non material amendments are available online at the Planning Portal’s website at [www.planningportal.gov.uk](http://www.planningportal.gov.uk), alternatively the forms can also be found at [www.kirklees.gov.uk/planning](http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/planning).

### **Highways Structures**

- It is the applicant's responsibility to find out whether any works approved by this planning permission, which involve excavating or working near public highway and any highway structures including retaining walls, will require written approval from the Council’s Highways Structures Section. Please contact the Highways Structures Section on Tel No. 01484-221000 Ext 74199 for further advice on this matter.

## **Development within a Coal Mining Area**

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](http://www.mra.gov.uk)

## **Appeals to the Secretary of State**

- If you are aggrieved by the decision of your Local Planning Authority 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.
- As this is a decision for a householder application, if you want to appeal against your Local Planning Authority's decision to impose planning conditions then you must do so within 6 months of the date of this notice.
- 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 28 days of the date of service of the enforcement notice.
- 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 <https://www.gov.uk/appeal-householder-planning-decision> . Further information on the Planning Appeal process can be found online at the Planning Inspectorates website <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/planning-inspectorate>.
- 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 the owner 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 the owner's interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Chapter I 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:** 01-Jul-2025

**Signed:**



David Shepherd  
Executive Director for Place

### **Decision Documents**

The decision notice indicates which documents relate to the decision. These documents can be viewed online at the Planning Services website at [www.kirklees.gov.uk/planning](http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/planning), and by clicking on the 'search planning applications and decisions' and by searching for application number 2025/62/91191/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.

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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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