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Springvale Fields Woodland Lane Colgate West Sussex
Demolition of temporary dwelling and erection of permanent two storey rural workers dwelling. Construction of an all weather equestrian sand school.

Your application DC/24/1697 has now been determined and I enclose the decision notice. The decision notice contains important information. Please take a moment to read it as further action may be required.

Conditions
Before you start work, information must be submitted for any conditions that require discharge before development can begin. The decision notice will set out what information need to be sent.

Biodiversity Net Gain Condition
Please note the requirement within the Environment Act 2021 for development to deliver a minimum of 10% net gain in biodiversity may be applicable to your development. In the event your development is required to achieve a minimum 10% net gain in biodiversity then a Biodiversity Net Gain Condition (separate to the main list of conditions) will appear on your decision notice requiring the submission of a Biodiversity Gain Plan for approval prior to development commencing.

Failure to discharge conditions before commencing development could result in the development being unlawful or enforcement action being taken. You can notify us of your intention to initiate development by completing a pre-commencement notification which will help us to monitor your development. There is no fee to use this service. To do this, or for further information about discharging planning conditions, visit us online at horsham.gov.uk/planning/discharging-a-planning-condition

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)
If this development is CIL liable, the requirements of CIL must be met before you start work. Failure to do so could result in additional financial penalties. For further information relating to CIL visit horsham.gov.uk/planning/planning-policy/community-infrastructure-levy/cil-charges-and-how-to-pay

If you have any questions about the decision notice, you can call us and speak to a member of the team on 01403 215187 between 9AM - 5PM, Monday to Friday.

If you are acting as the planning agent for this application, please ensure that the applicant is given a copy of the decision notice and this letter.

Yours Sincerely,
Development Management

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Application Number: DC/24/1697

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1990 (as amended)
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015

On behalf of: Mr Lucy Cave

In pursuance of their powers under the above-mentioned Act and Order, the Council hereby notify you that they PERMIT the following development, that is to say:

Demolition of temporary dwelling and erection of permanent two storey rural workers dwelling. Construction of an all weather equestrian sand school.

Springvale Fields Woodland Lane Colgate West Sussex

to be carried out in accordance with Application No. DC/24/1697 submitted to the Council on 13/11/2024 and subject to compliance with the plans/documents and conditions specified hereunder.

Emma Parkes
Head of Development and Building Control

Date: 26/03/2025

1 **Plans Condition**: The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the approved plans listed in the schedule below.

SCHEDULE OF PLANS/DOCUMENTS

Plan Type	Description	Drawing Number	Received Date
Site plan	Fire & Rescue Access for Proposed New Dwelling	none	21.11.2024
Supporting Docs	BNG Statement cover letter	none	13.11.2024
Supporting Statement	Biodiversity Enhancement Strategy and HMMP	none	13.11.2024
Supporting Statement	HMMP	NONE	13.11.2024
Location plan		none	31.10.2024
Site plan	Proposed Dwelling	BG/07a	21.11.2024
Site plan	Proposed Equine Sand School	BG07b	31.10.2024
Floor plan	and Section of Dwelling	BG/01	31.10.2024

Elevation plan	Proposed Dwelling	BG/02	31.10.2024
Elevation & Floor plan	and Section of Existing Dwelling	BG/03	31.10.2024
Roof plan	Existing and Proposed of Dwelling	BG/04	31.10.2024
Elevation plan	Poposed Sand School	BG/05	31.10.2024
Floor plan	Proposed Sand School	BG/05b	31.10.2024
Plans	Landscape, Existing and Proposed - Dwelling	BG/08	31.10.2024
Plans	Landscape, Existing and Proposed - Sand School	BG/09	31.10.2024
Design & Access Statement		none	31.10.2024
Supporting Statement	Landscaping Report - Dwelling	none	31.10.2024
Supporting Statement	Landscaping Report - Sand School	none	31.10.2024
Supporting Statement	Rainwater Harvesting (RWH) Management Plan	none	31.10.2024
Supporting Statement	BNG Metric	none	31.10.2024
Supporting Docs	BNG Cover letter	none	31.10.2024
Supporting Statement	A Potential Roost Assessment and Bat Survey Report	none	31.10.2024
Supporting Statement	Water Neutrality	none	21.11.2024
Supporting Statement	Preliminary Ecological Appraisal and Preliminary Roost Assessment	none	31.10.2024

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

2 **Standard Time Condition**: The development hereby permitted shall begin before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

Reason: To comply with Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

3 **Pre-Commencement Condition**: Prior to commencement of development full details of the rainwater harvesting scheme shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The scheme shall include:

- Detail on the likely contaminants associated with the rainwater harvesting system,
- Detail on the type of treatment that will be installed on the supply, including a bypass mechanism or first flush rainwater and with information clearly indicating that it is appropriate for the amount of water being used and the likely contaminants.
- Detail on the proposed sampling and testing regime, undertaken in accordance with Private Water Supplies (England) Regulations 2016 (or subsequent superseding equivalent), and taking into account the likely contaminants, as detailed above, along with detail on how any failure of any samples will be investigated and managed.
- Detail on the maintenance, servicing and cleaning of the tanks, water treatment equipment, pumps, all pipework etc for the lifetime of the development along with regularity of servicing/maintenance and clarification what steps will be taken in the event of equipment failure. This should include any re-activation of the system after it has been out of use due to lack of rainfall/use.
- Details, including a plan or schematic, showing the supply - including a site plan and/or schematic showing location of source, chambers, tanks, distribution network including

valves, pipes, consumer premises and means to record the total water consumption of each unit.
- Detail on the continuity of supply during dry periods extending beyond 35 days.
- Arrangements for keeping written records of all sampling, results of analysis, inspection, cleaning, and maintenance.

Reason: As this matter is fundamental to ensure that no unacceptable risks are caused to humans, controlled waters or the wider environment during and following the development works and to ensure that any pollution is dealt with in accordance with Policies 24 and 33 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

4 **Pre-commencement (slab level) Condition**: No development above ground floor slab level shall commence until full details of the water efficiency measures and rainwater harvesting system required by the approved water neutrality strategy (received 22.11.2024) have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The rainwater harvesting system shall include suitable storage tanks to provide a minimum 35 days storage capacity (at least 3,012l), including details of their location and whether they would be surface mounted or set within the ground, in addition to evidence that their initial fill will be supplied with water from outside of the Water Supply Zone.

Reason: To ensure the development is water neutral to avoid an adverse impact on the Arun Valley SACSPA and Ramsar sites in accordance with Policy 31 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015), Paragraph 193 of the National Planning Policy Framework (2024), and to enable the Local Planning Authority to discharge its duties under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended), and s40 of the NERC Act 2006 (Priority habitats & species).

5 **Pre-Occupation Condition**: No dwelling hereby permitted shall be first occupied until evidence has been submitted to and been approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority that the approved water neutrality strategy for that dwelling has been implemented in full. The evidence shall include the specification of fittings and appliances used, evidence of their installation, details of the rainwater harvesting system installed including a minimum 35 days storage capacity, and completion of the as built Part G water calculator or equivalent. The installed measures shall be retained as such thereafter, or to a similar improved water performance.

Reason: To ensure the development is water neutral to avoid an adverse impact on the Arun Valley SACSPA and Ramsar sites in accordance with Policy 31 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015), Paragraph 193 of the National Planning Policy Framework (2024), and to enable the Local Planning Authority to discharge its duties under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended), and s40 of the NERC Act 2006 (Priority habitats & species).

6 **Pre-Occupation Condition**: Prior to beneficial use a Biodiversity Enhancement Layout, providing the finalised details and locations of the enhancement measures contained within Preliminary Ecological Appraisal and Preliminary Roost Assessment (Arbtech Consulting Ltd., May 2024) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority.

The enhancement measures shall be implemented in accordance with the approved details prior to occupation and all features shall be retained in that manner thereafter.

Reason: To enhance Protected and Priority Species and allow the Local Planning Authority to discharge its duties under the s40 of the NERC Act 2006 (as amended).

7 **Pre-Occupation Condition**: No part of the development hereby permitted shall be occupied until the necessary in-building physical infrastructure and external site-wide infrastructure to enable superfast broadband speeds of a minimum of 30 megabits per second through full fibre broadband connection has been provided to the premises.

Reason: To ensure a sustainable development that meets the needs of future occupiers in accordance with Policy 37 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

8 **Pre-Occupation Condition**: No part of the development hereby permitted shall be occupied until provision for the storage of refuse and recycling has been provided within the garage or side or rear garden for that dwelling (or use). The facilities shall thereafter be retained for use at all times.

Reason: To ensure the adequate provision of refuse and recycling facilities in accordance with Policy 33 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

9 **Regulatory Condition**: No external lighting or floodlighting shall be installed other than with the permission of the Local Planning Authority by way of formal application.

Reason: In the interests of the amenities of the locality and in accordance with Policy 33 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

10 **Regulatory Condition:** The materials to be used in the development hereby permitted shall strictly accord with those indicated on the application form and approved plans.

Reason: To enable the Local Planning Authority to control the development in detail in the interests of visual amenity and in accordance with Policy 33 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

11 **Regulatory Condition**: The occupation of the rural workers dwelling hereby approved shall be limited to a person or persons solely or mainly working in association with the use of Springvale Fields Stables, Woodland Lane, Colgate as identified on the approved site location plan, and resident dependents.

Reason: In the interest of amenity and to enable the Local Planning Authority to regulate and control the development and to comply with policies 20, 26 and 33 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

12 **Regulatory Condition**: Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (and/or any Order revoking and/or re-enacting that Order) no development falling within Classes A, AA, B or E of Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the order shall be erected, constructed or placed within the curtilage of the development hereby permitted without express planning consent from the Local Planning Authority first being obtained.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity and to preserve the local landscape character in accordance with Policies 25 and 33 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

13 **Regulatory Condition**: All mitigation and enhancement measures and/or works shall be carried out in accordance with the details contained in the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal and Preliminary Roost Assessment (Verdant Ecology, July 2024) as already submitted with the planning application and agreed in principle with the local planning authority prior to determination. This includes the Precautionary Method Statement in the Preliminary

Ecological Appraisal and Preliminary Roost Assessment (Arbtech Consulting Ltd., May 2024), which avoids impacts on protected species.

This will include the appointment of an appropriately competent person e.g. an ecological clerk of works (ECoW) to provide on-site ecological expertise during construction. The appointed person shall undertake all activities, and works shall be carried out, in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To conserve and enhance protected and Priority species and allow the Local Planning Authority to discharge its duties under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended), the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 as amended and s40 of the NERC Act 2006 (as amended) and Policy 31 of the Horsham Development Framework.

14 **Regulatory Condition**: No works for the implementation of the development hereby approved shall take place outside of 08:00 hours to 18:00 hours Mondays to Fridays and 08:00 hours to 13:00 hours on Saturdays nor at any time on Sundays, Bank or public Holidays.

Reason: To safeguard the amenities of adjacent occupiers in accordance with Policy 33 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

Note to Applicant
Biodiversity Net Gain Condition
Paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 states that planning permission is deemed to have been granted subject to the "biodiversity gain condition" which means development granted by this notice must not begin unless:

(a) a Biodiversity Gain Plan has been submitted to the planning authority, and
(b) the planning authority has approved the plan.

Under Regulations 4, 5, 7 & 8 of the Biodiversity Gain Requirements (Exemptions) Regulations 2024 the statutory biodiversity gain condition required by Schedule 7A to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) does not apply in relation to planning permission for development which:

1. does not impact an onsite priority habitat (a habitat specified in a list published under section 41 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006); and
impacts less than 25 square metres of onsite habitat that has biodiversity value greater than zero and less than 5 metres in length of onsite linear habitat (a hedgerow habitat or watercourse habitat identified for the purposes of the biodiversity metric);

2. is the subject of a householder application within the meaning of article 2(1) of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015;

3. is undertaken solely or mainly for the purpose of fulfilling, in whole or in part, the biodiversity gain planning condition which applies in relation to another development (In determining whether a development is undertaken solely or mainly for this purpose, no account is to be taken of any facility for the public to access or to use the site for educational or recreational purposes, if that access or use is permitted without the payment of a fee);

4. consists of no more than 9 dwellings, is carried out on a site which has an area no larger than 0.5 hectares, and consists exclusively of dwellings which are self-build or custom housebuilding ("Self-build or custom housebuilding" has the same meaning as in section 1(A1) of the Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015 (as amended)).

Based on the information submitted in the planning application documents, the Planning Authority considers that this permission is exempt from biodiversity net gain, and as such does not require approval of a biodiversity gain plan before development is begun.

Statutory exemptions and transitional arrangements
There are statutory exemptions and transitional arrangements which mean that the biodiversity gain condition does not always apply. These can be found at Paragraph: 003 Reference ID: 74-003-20240214 of the Planning Practice Guidance, which can be found at https://www.gov.uk/guidance/biodiversity-net-gain.

Irreplaceable habitat
If the onsite habitat includes irreplaceable habitat (within the meaning of the Biodiversity Gain Requirements (Irreplaceable Habitat) Regulations 2024) there are additional requirements for the content and approval of Biodiversity Gain Plans.

Note to Applicant – Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL):
Horsham District Council has adopted a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Charging Schedule which took effect on 1st October 2017. **This development constitutes CIL liable development**.

If you have not received a Liability Notice from the Council within 1 month of the decision date please contact the CIL Team at cil@horsham.gov.uk.

CIL is a mandatory financial charge on development. To avoid additional financial penalties, the requirements of CIL must be managed before development is commenced (including in the event of any successful appeal).

Payment must be made in accordance with the requirements of the CIL Demand Notice issued.

Note to Applicant
Statement pursuant to Article 35 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015. The Local Planning Authority has acted positively and proactively in determining this application by assessing the proposal against all material considerations, including planning policies and any representations that may have been received, in order to be able to, where possible, grant permission.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Planning Permission – Important Provisos
If planning permission has been granted, please note that your Notice of Decision refers only to consideration of your proposal under the Town and Country Planning Acts. It is not a building regulations approval and does not mean that you can disregard other Acts of Regulations or avoid any other legal obligations. Some of these obligations, of particular relevance to your proposal are referred to elsewhere in this note. Before you proceed with your proposal you should ensure that a Building Control application is not required or has been submitted. The Building Control Department can be contacted on 01403 215151.

If this permission relates to new dwellings, commercial premises or other buildings which will require a new postal address you should contact the Council's Street Naming & Numbering Department as soon as possible or before work commences on site. Further details are available on the Street Naming page on the Council's website or alternatively e-mail streetnaming@horsham.gov.uk or telephone 01403 215139.

It is the responsibility of the developer to provide bins for the development. If you are a developer and need to purchase bins, please email hop.oast.admin@horsham.gov.uk.

It must be stressed that the information included on this Notice of Decision may not include all your legal obligations, and it does not grant you rights to carry out works on or over lands, or to access land that is not within your control or ownership.

Amendments
Should alterations or amendments be required to the approved plans, it will be necessary to apply either under Section 96A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for non-material alterations, or under Section 73 of the Act for minor material alterations. An application must be made using the standard application form and you should consult with us, to establish the correct type of application to be made.

Monitoring
Horsham District Council monitors the implementation of planning permissions. Please be aware that monitoring officers may visit the application site at various stages of the development to ensure compliance with the approved plans and conditions.

Right of Appeals
If you are aggrieved by the decision 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.

You must appeal within 12 weeks of the date of the decision notice for a householder application or 'minor commercial' (shop front) development, and within 6 months for other types of planning applications. There are different timescale – usually 28 days – if an enforcement notice is/has been served for the same (or very similar) land and development. Please note, only the applicant possesses the right of appeal.

Appeals can be made online at: https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate. 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 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 the Secretary of State 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.

If you intend to submit an appeal that you would like examined by inquiry then you must notify the Local Planning Authority and Planning Inspectorate (inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk) at least 10 days before submitting the appeal. Further details are at https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/casework-dealt-with-by-inquiries.