



# Horsham District Council

## Householder Application for Planning Permission for works or extension to a dwelling

### Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

#### Publication of applications on planning authority websites

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

### Site Location

**Disclaimer:** We can only make recommendations based on the answers given in the questions.

If you cannot provide a postcode, the description of site location must be completed. Please provide the most accurate site description you can, to help locate the site - for example "field to the North of the Post Office".

Number

Suffix

Property Name

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

Town/city

Postcode

Description of site location must be completed if postcode is not known:

Easting (x)

Northing (y)

Description

## Applicant Details

### Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

Jason

Surname

Mahoney

Company Name

### Address

Address line 1

Nut Knowle Cottages

Address line 2

Brighton Road

Address line 3

Woodmancote

Town/City

Henfield

County

Country

United Kingdom

Postcode

BN5 9SS

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

☐ Yes

☒ No

### Applicant Contact Details

Primary number

\*\*\*\*\* REDACTED \*\*\*\*\*

Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

\*\*\*\*\* REDACTED \*\*\*\*\*

## Description of Proposed Works

Please describe the proposed works

The planning application is for 2m high acoustic fencing on the property's southern boundary. The fence will run parallel to the A281 Brighton Road, 2m from the edge of the road. An acoustic fence is a specialised noise barrier designed to block or absorb sound, reducing noise pollution in residential, commercial, or industrial areas, unlike standard fences that let sound pass through.

A 32m run of fencing will start at a tree on the western boundary to a single standard 3ft wide pedestrian gate. The fence will then continue with a 67.6m run in total to a pair of 3m wide gates to give access to maintain the lawn area. The fence will continue for 3.5m to meet the neighbour's gate to secure the side boundary.

A mixed native species hedgerow will be planted between the proposed new acoustic fence and the road to soften the visual impact of the fencing, provide a more attractive and natural frontage and help to integrate the new fence into its surroundings.

The fence will be erected with a 2m high pressure treated tanalised softwood acoustic fencing, fitted to 9ft long 5" x 4" pressure treated tanalised softwood posts in a redwood pine class 4 treated with each post also pre-dipped in a bitumen-based solution to help prevent ground rot and concreted in the ground 2ft 6" deep. Each of the posts will be supported with a 4ft long 4" x 4" reinforced concrete spur, concreted in the ground with the post and bolted together using 9 ½" M10 bolts to give extra strength & durability.

These posts will be morticed three times to accept 3 x 4" x 2" rails top middle and bottom and to allow for a 6" x 1" gravel board. This will then be paled up with 6" x 1" sawn palisades double fixed via galvanised nails and butted together. Over each joint there will be a 4" x 1" cover fillet to deflect any noise but still allow air flow. There will be 6" x 1" capping across the top of this fencing. The fencing will face the road.

The pedestrian gate with 4"x 2" end stiles would be clad in the same acoustic panel with capping to match the fencing and a pair of 18" heavy galvanised adjustable hinges a heavy Suffolk latch plus a long throw key bolt/lock.

The wide gate will provide access to maintain the garden. The gate will be a pair of 2m high x 3m wide access gates which will have a mortise and tenon frame 4"x 2" end stiles and rebated in the middle for them to interlock and clad in the same 6" x 1" acoustic boards with bevelled capping across the top to match the fencing. Due to the size and weight of these gates there will be a heavy duty 4" x 2" header rail across the top plus a 4" x 2" across the back via galvanised removable brackets. These gates will have 2 x pairs of 30" heavy galvanised adjustable hinge sets, 2 x 18" drop bolts to secure the open & close position with a 6" tower bolt to secure into the header rail plus a vertical hasp and staple suitable for a padlock and a Suffolk latch to operate. The gate posts will be 6" x 6" posts for added strength.

Has the work already been started without consent?

- ☐ Yes  
☒ No

## Materials

Does the proposed development require any materials to be used externally?

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No

Please provide a description of existing and proposed materials and finishes to be used externally (including type, colour and name for each material)

**Type:**

Boundary treatments (e.g. fences, walls)

**Existing materials and finishes:**

A picket fence, pedestrian gate and access gate all made of treated softwood.

**Proposed materials and finishes:**

This fencing will be erected with a 2m high pressure treated tanalised softwood acoustic fencing which will be fitted to 9ft long 5" x 4" pressure treated tanalised softwood posts in a redwood pine class 4 treated with each post also pre dipped in a bitumen-based solution to help prevent ground rot and concreted in the ground 2ft 6" deep. The access gate posts will be 6" x 6" posts for added strength. Each of the posts will be backed up with a 4ft long 4" x 4" reinforced concrete spur which will be concreted in the ground with the post and bolted together using 9 ½" M10 bolts. These concrete spurs will be at the rear of the fence, on the side facing the house. These posts will be morticed three times to accept 3 x 4" x 2" rails top middle and bottom and to allow for a 6" x 1" gravel board below. This will then be paled up with 6" x 1" sawn palisades double fixed via galvanise nails and butted together, over each joint there will be a 4" x 1" cover fillet to deflect any noise but still allowing air flow. This will also have a 6" x 1" capping across the top of this fencing. The face of this fencing will be towards the road. A matching pedestrian gate which has 4"x 2" end stiles and clad in the same acoustic panel with capping across the top to match the fencing with a pair of 18" heavy galvanised adjustable hinges, a heavy Suffolk latch plus a long throw key bolt/lock that can be operated from both sides of the gate via a key. A pair of 2m high x 3m wide access gates which will have a mortise and tenon frame 4"x 2" end stiles and rebated in the middle for them to interlock and clad in the same 6" x 1" acoustic boards with a bevelled capping across the top to match the fencing. These gates will come complete with 2 x pairs of 30" heavy galvanised adjustable hinge sets, 2 x 18" drop bolts to secure the open & close position with a 6" tower bolt to secure into the header rail. Plus a vertical hasp and staple suitable for a padlock and a Suffolk latch. A new mixed native species hedgerow will be introduced between the proposed new acoustic fence and the road to soften the visual impact of the fencing, provide a more attractive and natural frontage and help to integrate the new fence into its surroundings. The proposed species are described by the Woodland Trust as a traditional hedge mix of hawthorn, blackthorn, hazel and field maple. These would be supplied as cell-grown saplings 20cm to 50cm and planted at a density of 4-5 plants per linear metre. The planting would follow the line of the picket fence that is currently approximately 1m from the edge of the road. The hedge would be expected to reach a height similar to the acoustic fence within approximately 5 years and would then be maintained at the height of the acoustic fence.

Are you supplying additional information on submitted plans, drawings or a design and access statement?

☐ Yes

☒ No

## Trees and Hedges

Are there any trees or hedges on the property or on adjoining properties which are within falling distance of the proposed development?

☒ Yes

☐ No

If Yes, please mark their position on a scaled plan and state the reference number of any plans or drawings.

All trees within falling distance of the proposed development have been noted on the site plan.

Will any trees or hedges need to be removed or pruned in order to carry out your proposal?

☒ Yes

☐ No

If Yes, please show on the plans, indicating the scale, which trees by giving them numbers (e.g. T1, T2 etc) and state the reference number of any plans or drawings

Trees numbered T6 to T25 are 1m behind the existing picket fence and so approximately along the line of the proposed fence and will need to be felled. They are all the same species of conifer, topped at approximately 4.5m with canopies above 3-4m growth.

## Pedestrian and Vehicle Access, Roads and Rights of Way

Is a new or altered vehicle access proposed to or from the public highway?

- ☐ Yes  
☒ No

Is a new or altered pedestrian access proposed to or from the public highway?

- ☐ Yes  
☒ No

Do the proposals require any diversions, extinguishment and/or creation of public rights of way?

- ☐ Yes  
☒ No

## Parking

Will the proposed works affect existing car parking arrangements?

- ☐ Yes  
☒ No

## Biodiversity net gain

Paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 sets out that every planning permission granted for the development of land in England shall be deemed to have been granted subject to the 'biodiversity gain condition' requiring development to achieve a net gain of 10% of biodiversity value.

This is subject to exemptions, an exemption applies in relation to planning permission for a development which 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)\*.

Applicants for planning permission are required to make a statement as to whether they believe the biodiversity gain condition will apply if permission is granted, please confirm:

☒ It is my belief that if permission is granted for the development to which this application relates the biodiversity gain condition would not apply

\*A 'householder application' means an application for planning permission for development for an existing dwellinghouse, or development within the curtilage of such a dwellinghouse for any purpose incidental to the enjoyment of the dwellinghouse which is not an application for change of use or an application to change the number of dwellings in a building.

## Site Visit

Can the site be seen from a public road, public footpath, bridleway or other public land?

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No

If the planning authority needs to make an appointment to carry out a site visit, whom should they contact?

- ☐ The agent  
☒ The applicant  
☐ Other person

## Pre-application Advice

Has assistance or prior advice been sought from the local authority about this application?

- ☐ Yes  
☒ No

## Authority Employee/Member

With respect to the Authority, is the applicant and/or agent one of the following:

- (a) a member of staff  
(b) an elected member  
(c) related to a member of staff  
(d) related to an elected member

It is an important principle of decision-making that the process is open and transparent.

For the purposes of this question, "related to" means related, by birth or otherwise, closely enough that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts, would conclude that there was bias on the part of the decision-maker in the Local Planning Authority.

Do any of the above statements apply?

- ☐ Yes  
☒ No

## Ownership Certificates and Agricultural Land Declaration

Certificates under Article 14 - Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (as amended)

Please answer the following questions to determine which Certificate of Ownership you need to complete: A, B, C or D.

Is the applicant the sole owner of all the land to which this application relates; and has the applicant been the sole owner for more than 21 days?

E.g. All the land is owned by a single individual

- ☐ Yes  
☒ No

Is the land owned by multiple individuals, or has agricultural tenants where the details of all individuals are known by the Applicant?

E.g. The land is owned by 2 people and the applicant can provide details of those owners.

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No

## Certificate Of Ownership - Certificate B

I certify/ The applicant certifies that:

- ☒ I have/The applicant has given the requisite notice to everyone else (as listed below) who, on the day 21 days before the date of this application, was the owner\* and/or agricultural tenant\*\* of any part of the land or building to which this application relates; or  
☐ The applicant is the sole owner of all the land or buildings to which this application relates and there are no other owners\* and/or agricultural tenants\*\*.

\* "owner" is a person with a freehold interest or leasehold interest with at least 7 years left to run.

\*\* "agricultural tenant" has the meaning given in section 65(8) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990

**Name of Owner/Agricultural Tenant:**

\*\*\*\*\* REDACTED \*\*\*\*\*

**House name:**

Nut Knowle Cottages

**Number:**

**Suffix:**

**Address line 1:**

Brighton Road

**Address Line 2:**

Woodmancote

**Town/City:**

Henfield

**Postcode:**

BN5 9SS

**Date notice served (DD/MM/YYYY):**

03/02/2026

**Person Family Name:**

Person Role

☒ The Applicant

☐ The Agent

Title

Mr

First Name

Jason

Surname

Mahoney

Declaration Date

03/02/2026

☒ Declaration made

## Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Householder planning permission as described in the questions answered, details provided, and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information.

I/We confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the person(s) giving them.

I/We also accept that, in accordance with the Planning Portal's terms and conditions:

- Once submitted, this information will be made available to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be published as part of a public register and on the authority's website;
- Our system will automatically generate and send you emails in regard to the submission of this application.

☒ I / We agree to the outlined declaration

Signed

Jason Mahoney

Date

02/08/2026

Amendments Summary

I have revised the application to move the proposed acoustic fencing 1m within the property boundary and to add a new hedgerow between the fencing and the road. The changes are detailed in the description section, the materials section and the hedges and trees section. I have uploaded a site plan with the changes shown.