Horsham District Council

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Application Number: DC/26/1484

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

On behalf of: Mr John Grabowski - Archway Building Consultancy

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:

Variation of Conditions 1, 9, 11 and 19 of previously approved application reference DC/24/1713 (Variation of condition 1 of previously approved application reference DC/23/1566 (Change of use from Office to Special Educational Needs School. Construction of two storey link building. Construction of Multi Use Games Area and associated landscaping) for installation of gym equipment, new MUGA and pedestrian and associated landscaping works.

Aurora Vincent House School 31 North Parade Horsham West Sussex

to be carried out in accordance with Application No. DC/26/1484 submitted to the Council on 16/09/2026 and subject to compliance with the plans/documents and conditions specified hereunder.

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.

Emma Parkes
Head of Development and Building Control

Date: 11/11/2026

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	Proposed Site Plan	P-006 Rev 04	16.09.2026
Details plan	Indicative Highway Arrangement (Widened Crossover)	2023-4782-006	29.11.2023
Details plan	Indicative Highway Arrangement (Widened Crossover) Option A	2023-4782-007	13.12.2023
Location & Block plan	Location & Existing Block Plan	P-001 Rev 00	18.08.2023
Site plan	Existing Site Plan	P-002 Rev 00	18.08.2023
Floor plan	Existing GF & FF Plans	P-003 Rev 00	18.08.2023
Elevation plan	Existing Elevations	P-004 Rev 00	18.08.2023
Block plan	Proposed Block Plan	P-005 Rev 00	18.08.2023
Floor plan	Proposed GF & FF Plans	P-007 Rev 00	18.08.2023
Roof plan	Existing & Proposed Roof Plans	P-008 Rev 00	18.08.2023
Elevation plan	Proposed Elevations	P-009 Rev 00	18.08.2023
Supporting Statement	Bat Survey Report by SLR Consulting Ltd dated 29.09.2023	425.064800.00001	18.08.2023
Supporting Statement	Preliminary Ecological Appraisal Report by SLR Consulting Ltd dated 11.08.2023	425.064800.00001	18.08.2023
Supporting Statement	Technical Memorandum by SLR Consulting Ltd dated 04.08.2023	425.064800.0001 Rev 01	18.08.2023
Elevation plan	Existing and Proposed Street	P-010 Rev 00	04.11.2024
Plans	Proposed Fence Types	P-011 Rev 00	04.11.2024
Supporting Docs	Biodiversity Enhancement Strategy for Protected and Priority Species	425.064800.00001 Rev 01	11.04.2024
Supporting Statement	Full Construction Traffic Management Plan by Velocity Transport Planning dated March 2024	D001 Version 1.0	11.04.2024
Supporting Docs	External Lighting Design by Ansell Lighting	NONE	09.12.2024
Plans	Proposed External Lighting	P-013	09.12.2024
Supporting Docs	Travel Plan by tpp consulting dated June 2025	NONE	12.06.2025

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

2 **NOT USED**

3 **NOT USED**

4 **NOT USED**

5 **Regulatory Condition**: The development hereby permitted shall take place in accordance with the Biodiversity Enhancement Strategy approved under application ref: DISC/24/0075 on 06.06.2024. The enhancement measures shall thereafter be retained in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: As these matters are fundamental to safeguard the ecology and biodiversity of the area in accordance with Policy 31 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015), and to enhance Protected and Priority Species/habitats and allow the LPA to discharge its duties under the s40 of the NERC Act 2006 (Priority Habitats & Species).

6 **NOT USED**

7 **Regulatory Condition**: The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in strict accordance with the Travel Plan by tpp consulting dated June 2025 as approved by DISC/25/0087. The Travel Plan once approved shall thereafter be implemented as specified within the approved document. The Travel Plan shall be completed in accordance with the latest guidance and good practice documentation as published by the Department for Transport or as advised by the Highway Authority.

Reason: To encourage and promote sustainable transport and in accordance with Policy 40 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

8 **Regulatory Condition**: The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in strict accordance with the Proposed External Lighting Plan reference P-013 and the External Lighting Specification by Ansell Lighting. Under no circumstances should any other external lighting be installed without prior consent from the local planning authority.

Reason: As these matters are fundamental to safeguard the ecology and biodiversity of the area in accordance with Policy 31 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015), and to enhance Protected and Priority Species/habitats and allow the LPA to discharge its duties under the s40 of the NERC Act 2006 (Priority Habitats & Species).

9 **Regulatory Conditions**: The parking, turning and access facilities necessary to serve the approved use shall be retained in accordance with the approved details as shown on plan reference P-006 Revision 04.

Reason: To ensure adequate parking, turning and access facilities are available to serve the development in accordance with Policy 40 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

10 **Regulatory Condition**: The visibility splays for the access serving the development hereby permitted shall be provided in strict accordance with plan reference 2023-4782-006 and 2023-4782-007 and shall thereafter be maintained and kept free of all obstructions over a height of 0.6 metre above adjoining carriageway level or as otherwise agreed.

Reason: In the interests of road safety and in accordance with Policy 40 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

11 **Regulatory Condition**: The fast charge electric vehicle charging point as shown on plan reference P-006 Rev 04 shall have, as a minimum, a charge point specification of 7kW mode

3 with type 2 connector. The means for charging electric vehicles shall be thereafter retained as such.

Reason: To mitigate the impact of the development on air quality within the District and to sustain compliance with and contribute towards EU limit values or national objectives for pollutants in accordance with Policies 24 & 41 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

12 **Regulatory Condition**: The 8no. cycling parking facilities serving the development hereby permitted shall be retained for their designated use at all times.

Reason: To ensure that there is adequate provision for the parking of cycles in accordance with Policy 40 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

13 **Regulatory Condition**: The provision for storage of refuse and recycling shall be provided within the site and these 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).

14 **NOT USED**

15 **NOT USED**

16 **Regulatory Condition**: The premises hereby permitted shall be used as a school under Use Class F1 only, and for no other purpose.

Reason: In the interest of amenity and to address the District level need for SEND school places and in accordance with Policy 33 and 42 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

17 **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).

18 **Regulatory Condition**: The development hereby permitted shall be undertaken in strict accordance with the ecological mitigation and enhancement measures set out in Preliminary Ecological Appraisal by SLR Consulting Ltd dated August 2023 and Bat Survey Report has also been submitted by SLR Consulting Limited dated 29 September 2023.

Reason: As these matters are fundamental to safeguard the ecology and biodiversity of the area in accordance with Policy 31 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015), and to enhance Protected and Priority Species/habitats and allow the LPA to discharge its duties under the s40 of the NERC Act 2006 (Priority Habitats & Species).

19 **Regulatory Condition**: The approved landscaping scheme as shown on drawing number P-006 Rev 04 shall be fully implemented in accordance with the approved details within the first planting season following the first occupation of any part of the development. Unless otherwise agreed as part of the approved landscaping, no trees or hedges on the site shall be

wilfully damaged or uprooted, felled/removed, topped or lopped without the previous written consent of the Local Planning Authority until 5 years after completion of the development. Any proposed or retained planting, which within a period of 5 years, dies, is removed, or becomes seriously damaged or diseased shall be replaced in the next planting season with others of similar size and species unless the Local Planning Authority gives written consent to any variation.

Reason: To ensure a satisfactory development that is sympathetic to the landscape and townscape character and built form of the surroundings, and in the interests of visual amenity in accordance with Policy 33 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

20 **Regulatory Condition**: The Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) and play equipment hereby permitted, as shown on plan reference P-006 Rev 04, shall be used between the hours of 08:30 and 15:30 (inclusive) on school days and during school term time only.

Reason: In the interests of amenity of adjacent occupiers and to ensure the use of the site does not have a harmful environmental effect and in accordance with Policy 33 of the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015).

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 Regulation 4 of The Environment Act 2021 (Commencement No. 8 and Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2024 the statutory biodiversity gain condition does not apply in relation a section 73 planning permission where:

(a) the original planning permission (a planning permission which is the first in a sequence of two or more planning permissions, where the second and any subsequent planning permissions are section 73 planning permissions) to which the section 73 planning permission relates was granted before 12th February 2024; or
(b) the application for the original planning permission to which the section 73 planning permission relates was made before 12th February 2024.

Based on the information on the date of the original planning permission to which this section 73 planning permission relates, the Planning Authority considers that biodiversity net gain does not apply.

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.

Compliance with the Approved Plans and Conditions
The development hereby approved must be implemented in accordance with the approved plans and any conditions set out in the Notice. Some of the conditions may specify that works are to be carried out, and/or details submitted and approved before all or part of the development is started. These will appear in the 'Pre-Commencement Conditions' section of the Notice.

If works on implementing this permission is started without these requirements being fully met, the development may be unauthorised and the permission invalidated, and could lead to enforcement proceedings or in some cases to prosecution.

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.

Conditions Compliance
Requests for confirmation of compliance with conditions associated with that permission should be made in writing or by using the application form 'Approval of Details Reserved by Conditions'.

A request may be for confirmation that one or more conditions imposed on the same permission have been complied with. We aim to respond within 8 weeks of receipt of the request.

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.