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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED) TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2015

Application Number: UTT/23/0542/HHF

Applicant: Mrs A & Mrs M Ockleston And Lubbock

Uttlesford District Council **Grants Permission** for:

Provision of two-off road parking spaces and new means of enclosure. at 1 Lake House Farm Cottages Finchingfield Road Hempstead Saffron Walden Essex CB10 2PR

The approved plans/documents are listed below:

Plan Reference/Version	Plan Type/Notes	Received
REVISED SITE PLAN	Location Plan	22/03/2023
2021/221-03 A	Combined	22/03/2023

Permission is granted with the following conditions:

- 1 The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of 3 years from the date of this decision.

REASON: To comply with the requirements of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended by Section 51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

- 2 The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the approved plans as set out in the Schedule.

REASON: For the avoidance of doubt as to the nature of the development hereby permitted, to ensure development is carried out in accordance with the approved

application details, to ensure that the development is carried out with the minimum harm to the local environment, in accordance with the Policies of the Uttlesford Local Plan (adopted 2005) as shown in the Schedule of Policies

- 3 Prior to commencement of the development hereby approved, a schedule of the types and colours of the materials (including photographs) to be used in the external finishes shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. Thereafter, the development shall be implemented in full accordance with the approved materials.

REASON: To preserve the character and appearance of the area, to preserve the significance of heritage assets, and to ensure the development is visually attractive, in accordance with the adopted Uttlesford Local Plan Policies S7, GEN2, ENV2, the Essex Design Guide, and the National Planning Policy Framework (2021).

- 4 Prior to commencement of the development hereby approved, details of all hard and soft landscaping shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Thereafter, the development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details prior to first beneficial use of the development hereby approved.

The landscaping details to be submitted shall include:

- a) proposed finished levels (earthworks to be carried out);
- b) means of enclosure of the land (boundary treatments);
- c) hard surfacing and other hard landscape features and materials (including photographs for all materials);
- d) existing trees, hedges or other soft features to be retained;
- e) soft landscaping details, including photographs, specifications of species, sizes, planting centres, numbers and percentage mix;
- f) details of siting and timing of all construction activities to avoid harm to all nature conservation features;
- g) management and maintenance details.

All planting, seeding or turfing and soil preparation comprised in the above details of landscaping shall be carried out in the first planting and seeding seasons following the occupation of the buildings, the completion of the development, or in agreed phases whichever is the sooner, and any plants which within a period of five years from the completion of the development die, are removed or become 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. All landscape works shall be carried out in accordance with the guidance contained in British Standards, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority.

REASON: To preserve the character and appearance of the area, to preserve the significance of heritage assets, and to safeguard residential amenities, in accordance with the adopted Uttlesford Local Plan Policies S7, GEN2, GEN4, ENV2, the Essex Design Guide, and the National Planning Policy Framework (2021).

- 5 Prior to any works above slab level, a Biodiversity Enhancement Layout shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. Thereafter, the enhancement measures shall be implemented in accordance with the approved details and shall be retained in that manner at all times.

REASON: To conserve and enhance protected and priority species and habitats and allow the local planning authority to discharge its duties under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended), the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended), s40 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities (NERC) Act 2006 (priority habitats & species) as updated by the Environment Act 2021, s17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, in accordance with the adopted Uttlesford Local Plan Policies GEN7, ENV8, and the National Planning Policy Framework (2021).

- 6 Within three (3) months from the date of this permission, the width of the access at its junction with the highway shall not be less than 3 metres and shall be provided with an appropriate vehicular crossing of the highway verge.

REASON: To provide adequate inter-visibility between vehicles using the access and those in the existing public highway in the interests of highway safety, in accordance with the adopted Uttlesford Local Plan Policies GEN1, GEN8, the adopted Uttlesford Local Residential Parking Standards (2013), the adopted Essex County Council Parking Standards: Design and Good Practice (2009), and the National Planning Policy Framework (2021).

- 7 The existing vehicular access shall be formalised and hard surfaced. No unbound material shall be used in the surface treatment of the vehicular access within 6 metres of the highway boundary.

REASON: To avoid displacement of loose material onto the highway in the interests of highway safety, in accordance with the adopted Uttlesford Local Plan Policies GEN1, GEN8, the adopted Uttlesford Local Residential Parking Standards (2013), the adopted Essex County Council Parking Standards: Design and Good Practice (2009), and the National Planning Policy Framework (2021).

- 8 Any gates provided at the vehicular access shall be inward opening only and shall be set back a minimum of 6 metres from the back edge of the carriageway. Thereafter, the gates shall be retained as such at all times.

REASON: To enable vehicles using the access to stand clear of the carriageway whilst gates are being opened and closed in the interest of highway safety, in accordance with the adopted Uttlesford Local Plan Policies GEN1, GEN8, the adopted Uttlesford Local Residential Parking Standards (2013), the adopted Essex County Council Parking Standards: Design and Good Practice (2009), and the National Planning Policy Framework (2021).

In determining this application, the Local Planning Authority had regard to the following Development Plan Policies:

Policy	Local Plan	Local Plan Phase
S7 - The Countryside	Uttlesford Local Plan 2005	Uttlesford Local Plan Adopted 2005
GEN1 - Access	Uttlesford Local Plan 2005	Uttlesford Local Plan Adopted 2005

GEN2 - Design	Uttlesford Local Plan 2005	Uttlesford Local Plan Adopted 2005
GEN4 - Good Neighbours	Uttlesford Local Plan 2005	Uttlesford Local Plan Adopted 2005
GEN7 - Nature Conservation	Uttlesford Local Plan 2005	Uttlesford Local Plan Adopted 2005
GEN8 - Vehicle Parking Standards	Uttlesford Local Plan 2005	Uttlesford Local Plan Adopted 2005
ENV2 - Development affecting Listed Buildings	Uttlesford Local Plan 2005	Uttlesford Local Plan Adopted 2005
ENV8 - Other landscape elements of importance for nature	Uttlesford Local Plan 2005	Uttlesford Local Plan Adopted 2005
NPPF4 - National Planning Policy Framework July 2021		
ECP - ECC Parking Standards (Design & Good Practice) September 2009		
Uttlesford Local Parking Standards		
Interim Climate Change Policy		
EDG - Garden Size	Essex Design Guide	
EDG - Visibility Vehicle and Pedestrian Sight Splays	Essex Design Guide	
EDG - Appropriate Use of Materials	Essex Design Guide	
EDG - Driveways to Individual Dwellings	Essex Design Guide	

Notes:

- 1 The local planning authority has worked with the applicant in a positive and proactive manner in determining this application.
- 2 -This permission does not incorporate Listed Building Consent unless specifically stated.

-The alterations permitted by this consent are restricted to those specified and detailed in the application. Any alteration, demolition or re-building not so specified, even if this should become necessary during the course of the work, must be subject of a further

application. It is an offence to carry out unauthorised work to the interior or exterior of a Listed Building in any way, which would affect its character.

-The proposal has been considered against Development Plan policies shown in the schedule of policies. Material planning considerations do not justify a decision contrary to the Development Plan.

-The Development Plan comprises the saved policies of the Uttlesford Local Plan (2005).

- It is the responsibility of the owner to ensure that any conditions attached to an approval are complied with. Failure to do so can result in enforcement action being taken. Where conditions require the submission of matters to and approval by the local planning authority these must be submitted on form "Application for approval of details reserved by condition" available from the Council's web site www.uttlesford.gov.uk and accompanied by the correct fee.

-Your attention is drawn to the need to check with the Council's Building Surveying Section regarding fire-fighting access and the requirements of Section 13 of the Essex Act 1987.

-Your attention is drawn to the Equality Act 2010. The Act makes it unlawful for service providers (those providing goods, facilities or services to the public), landlords and other persons to discriminate against certain groups of people.

-If you intend to pipe, bridge or fill in a watercourse, as part of this development or otherwise, you need to contact the County Highways Authority.

-Under the terms of the Water Resources Act 1991 and Environment Agency Byelaws, the prior written consent of the agency is required for any proposed works or structures in, under, over or within 9 metres of the top of the bank of any main river.

-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 he 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 in whose area the land is situated. This notice will require the Council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part VI of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

-Working in close proximity to live overhead lines:

The law requires that work may be carried out in close proximity to electricity overhead lines (usually recognised by a yellow and black "Danger of Death" label on the pole or pylon although this may be missing or have been vandalised) only when there is no alternative and only when the risks are acceptable and can be properly controlled. Further information can be viewed at <http://www.ukpowernetnetworks.co.uk/internet/en/help-and-advice/help-sheets/> then click on "Keeping Safe" then "Working safely near power lines" UK Power Networks will also visit sites and provide safety advice with regard to work near electricity overhead lines and a statement of clearances to the overhead lines. A call to UK Power Networks general enquiries line on 0845 601 4516 will be required to request a visit. Lines open Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm.

Appeals to the Secretary of State

-If an enforcement notice is served relating to the same or substantially the same land and development as in your application and if you want to appeal against your 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, or within 6 months [12 weeks in the case of a householder appeal] of the date of this notice, whichever period expires earlier.

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 on GOV.UK.

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o ECOLOGY

GENERAL GOOD PRACTICE MITIGATION TO AVOID ECOLOGICAL IMPACTS DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PHASE

To avoid killing or injuring small animals which may pass through the site during the construction phase, it is best practice to ensure the following measures are implemented:

a) Trenches, pits or holes dug on site should be covered over at night. Alternatively, ramps (consisting of a rough wooden plank) or sloped/stepped trenches could be provided to allow animals to climb out unharmed;

b) materials brought to the site for the construction works should be kept off the ground on pallets to prevent small animals seeking refuge;

c) rubbish and waste should be removed off site immediately or placed in a skip, to prevent small animals using the waste as a refuge.

d) Should any protected species or evidence of protected species be found prior to or during the development, all works must immediately cease and a suitably qualified ecologist must be contacted for further advice before works can proceed. All contractors working on site should be made aware of the advice and provided with the contact details of a relevant ecological consultant.

NESTING BIRDS

The applicant is reminded that, under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, as amended (section 1), it is an offence to remove, damage or destroy the nest of any wild bird while that nest is in use or being built. Planning consent for a development does not provide a defence against prosecution under this act.

Hedgerows are likely to contain nesting birds between 1st March and 31st August inclusive. Hedgerows are present on the application site and are to be assumed to contain nesting birds between the above dates, unless a recent survey has been undertaken by a competent ecologist to assess the nesting bird activity on site during this period and has shown it is absolutely certain that nesting birds are not present.

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o HIGHWAYS

- i. All work within or affecting the highway is to be laid out and constructed by prior arrangement with, and to the requirements and satisfaction of, the Highway Authority, details to be agreed before the commencement of works. The applicants should be advised to contact the Development Management Team by email at development.management@essexhighways.org or by post to Essex Highways, Springfield Highways Depot, Colchester Road, Chelmsford, Essex, CM2 5PU.
- ii. Under Section 148 of the Highways Act 1980 it is an offence to deposit mud, detritus etc. on the highway. In addition, under Section 161 any person, depositing anything on a highway which results in a user of the highway being injured or endangered is guilty of an offence. Therefore, the applicant must ensure that no mud or detritus is taken onto the highway, such measures include provision of wheel cleaning facilities and sweeping/cleaning of the highway.
- iii. There shall be no discharge of surface water onto the Highway.
- iv. Prior to commencement of the development, the areas within the curtilage of the site for the purpose of loading / unloading / reception and storage of building materials and manoeuvring of all vehicles, including construction traffic shall be provided clear of the highway.
- v. Prior to any works taking place in public highway or areas to become public highway the developer shall enter into an appropriate legal agreement to regulate the construction of the highway works. This will include the submission of detailed engineering drawings for approval and safety audit.



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