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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/23/2280/FUL**

**Applicant: Mr Tom Walker**

Uttlesford District Council **Grants Permission** for:

**The replacement of an existing outbuilding with a new studio building (non-residential), ancillary to the previously approved sui generis live/work unit in the adjacent barn. at Bluegates Farm Bardfield End Green Thaxted Essex CM6 3PY**

**The approved plans/documents are listed below:**

Plan Reference/Version	Plan Type/Notes	Received
CDS129-EX.100	Location Plan	14/09/2023
CDS129-PL02-101 A	Block Plan	14/09/2023
CDS129-PL02-102 A	Floor Plan (proposed)	14/09/2023
CDS129-PL02-103 A	Roof Plans	14/09/2023
CDS129-PL02.110 A	Elevations (proposed)	14/09/2023
CDS129-PL02.111 A	Elevations (proposed)	14/09/2023
ECOLOGICAL SURVEY AND ASSESSMENT	Other	14/09/2023

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 Great Crested Newt Method Statement shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. This will contain precautionary mitigation measures and/or works to reduce potential impacts to Great Crested Newts during the construction phase. Thereafter, the measures and/or works shall be carried out strictly in accordance with the approved details and shall be maintained as such 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 (2023).

- 4 Prior to any works above slab level, 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 asset, and to ensure the development is visually attractive, in accordance with policies S7, GEN2, ENV2 of the adopted Uttlesford Local Plan (2005), the Essex Design Guide, and the National Planning Policy Framework (2023).

- 5 Prior to occupation of the development hereby approved, a lighting design scheme for biodiversity shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The scheme shall identify those features on site that are particularly sensitive for bats and that are likely to cause disturbance along important routes used for foraging; and show how and where external lighting will be installed (through the provision of appropriate lighting contour plans and technical specifications) so that it can be clearly demonstrated that areas to be lit will not disturb or prevent bats using their territory.

Thereafter, all external lighting shall be installed in accordance with the specifications and locations set out in the scheme and shall be maintained in accordance with the scheme in perpetuity. Under no circumstances should any other external lighting be installed without prior consent in writing from the local planning authority.

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), 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 (2023).

- 6 Prior to first beneficial use of the development hereby approved, the existing structure and hard surfaces shown on the existing drawings shall be completely demolished and all the debris shall be permanently removed from the site by an appropriate contractor.

REASON: To preserve the character and appearance of the area, in accordance with the adopted Uttlesford Local Plan Policies S7, GEN2, ENV2, the Essex Design Guide, and the National Planning Policy Framework (2023).

- 7 All rainwater goods to be installed on the building hereby approved shall be of cast metal and shall be permanently maintained as such unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority.

REASON: To preserve the significance of heritage asset, in accordance with policy ENV2 of the adopted Uttlesford Local Plan (2005), the Essex Design Guide, and the National Planning Policy Framework (2023).

- 8 The building hereby approved shall be used only for purposes ancillary to the use of the adjacent barn as a sui generis live/work unit.

REASON: For clarity purposes, to safeguard residential amenities of neighbouring occupiers, and to avoid an intensification of use of the site that would compromise its current use, in accordance with policies GEN2, GEN4, GEN5 of the adopted Uttlesford Local Plan (2005), and the National Planning Policy Framework (2023).

- 9 If during any site investigation, excavation, engineering or construction works evidence of land contamination is identified, the applicant/developer shall notify immediately and in writing the Local Planning Authority. Any land contamination identified shall be remediated to the satisfaction of the local planning authority prior to occupation of the development hereby approved to ensure that the site is made suitable for its end use.

REASON: To ensure the development will not harm human health, the water environment and other receptors, in accordance with the adopted Uttlesford Local Plan Policies GEN2, ENV14, and the National Planning Policy Framework (2023).

- 10 All ecological mitigation and enhancement measures and/or works shall be carried out in accordance with the details contained in the Ecological Survey and Assessment (Essex Mammal Surveys, August 2023). Thereafter, the enhancement measures and/or works

shall be carried out in full accordance with the approved details and shall be maintained as such 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 (2023).

- 11 Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (or any Order revoking or re-enacting that Order), all exterior lighting shall be capped at the horizontal with no upward light spill.

REASON: In the interests of flight safety, in accordance with the adopted Uttlesford Local Plan Policy GEN5, and the National Planning Policy Framework (2023).

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

<b>Policy</b>	<b>Local Plan</b>	<b>Local Plan Phase</b>
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
GEN5 - Light Pollution	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
ENV10 - Noise sensitive development and disturbance from aircraft	Uttlesford Local Plan 2005	Uttlesford Local Plan Adopted 2005
ENV11 - Noise generators	Uttlesford Local Plan 2005	Uttlesford Local Plan Adopted 2005
ENV12 - Groundwater protection	Uttlesford Local Plan 2005	Uttlesford Local Plan Adopted 2005

ENV13 - Exposure to poor air quality	Uttlesford Local Plan 2005	Uttlesford Local Plan Adopted 2005
ENV14 - Contaminated land	Uttlesford Local Plan 2005	Uttlesford Local Plan Adopted 2005
National Planning Policy Framework September 5 2023		
Interim Climate Change Policy		
ECP - ECC Parking Standards (Design & Good Practice) September 2009		
EDG - Ecology and Biodiversity	Essex Design Guide	
EDG - Rear Privacy	Essex Design Guide	
EDG - Appropriate Use of Materials	Essex Design Guide	
EDG - Architectural Details	Essex Design Guide	
EDG - Balance and Windows	Essex Design Guide	
EDG - Building Form	Essex Design Guide	
EDG - Daylight and Sunlight	Essex Design Guide	
TXHC1 - Heritage and Development	Thaxted Neighbourhood Plan	
Protection of the countryside and rural setting of Thaxted	Thaxted Neighbourhood Plan	
Protection and enhancement of the Landscape	Thaxted Neighbourhood Plan	
Design Principles	Thaxted Neighbourhood Plan	
Wildlife Habitats and landscape features	Thaxted Neighbourhood Plan	

**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](http://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.ukpowernetworks.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](mailto:inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk)) at least 10 days before submitting the appeal. Further details are on GOV.UK.

### 3 o ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Asbestos:

Under the Control of Asbestos Regulations, a refurbishment and demolition survey is required before the demolition of any buildings which may contain asbestos, and any asbestos found must be safely removed by a trained contractor before work commences. All asbestos removed in relation to this development shall be done in full consultation with the Health & Safety Executive using a licenced contractor. Contractor details and asbestos disposal records (waste transfer notes) should be submitted to the council upon completion to prevent the asbestos from being buried on site during construction.

Construction Advice:

Developers are referred to the Uttlesford District Council Environmental Code of Development Practice. To avoid/minimise the impact upon the amenity of adjoining residents; developers are advised to follow the General Principle, and advice contained therein.

### 4 o SAFEGUARDING AUTHORITY FOR STANSTED AIRPORT

- During demolition and construction, measures should be taken to minimise dust and smoke.

Reason - Flight safety - Dust and smoke are hazardous to aviation.

- The applicant's attention is drawn to the procedures for crane and tall equipment notifications, please see:

<https://www.caa.co.uk/Commercial-industry/Airspace/Event-and-obstacle-notification/Crane-notification/>

- The applicant's attention is drawn to legislation Civil Aviation Publication CAP393 - Air Navigation: The Order and the Regulations Part 28, Article 221 (i) which states that:

"A person shall not exhibit in the United Kingdom any light which:

(a) by reason of its glare is liable to endanger aircraft taking off or landing at an aerodrome;

(b) by reason of its liability to be mistaken for an aeronautical ground light is liable to endanger aircraft."

The Order grants the Civil Aviation Authority power to serve notice to extinguish or screen any such light which may endanger aircraft.

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