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PLANNING PERMISSION

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

**THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND)
ORDER 2015**

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Applicant:

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Date Application Received: 12-Dec-23

Application Reference: DC/23/05724

Date Registered: 12-Dec-23

Proposal & Location of Development:

Householder Application - Conversion of garage to additional accommodation; Conversion of loft and insertion of roof windows. Erection of a two storey front extension, installation of hardstanding. (as approved under DC/20/03918).

4 Butfield, Lavenham, Sudbury, Suffolk CO10 9SD

Section A – Plans & Documents:

This decision refers to drawing no./entitled 23-033_4 received 12/12/2023 as the defined red line plan with the site shown edged red. Any other drawing showing land edged red whether as part of another document or as a separate plan/drawing has not been accepted or treated as the defined application site for the purposes of this decision.

The plans and documents recorded below are those upon which this decision has been reached:

Existing Site Plan 23-033_4 - Received 12/12/2023
Proposed Site Plan 23-033_4 - Received 12/12/2023
Application Form - Received 12/12/2023
Sectional Drawing 23-033_3 - Received 12/12/2023
Floor Plan - Existing 23-033_1 - Received 12/12/2023
Floor Plan - Proposed 23-033_2 - Received 12/12/2023
Construction Method Statement 23-033_9 - Received 12/12/2023
Defined Red Line Plan 23-033_4 - Received 12/12/2023

Section B:

Babergh District Council as Local Planning Authority, hereby give notice that **PLANNING PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED** in accordance with the application particulars and plans listed in section A subject to the following conditions:

1. ACTION REQUIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A SPECIFIC TIMETABLE:
COMMENCEMENT TIME LIMIT

The development hereby permitted shall be begun not later than the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

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. APPROVED PLANS & DOCUMENTS

The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the drawings/documents listed under Section A above and/or such other drawings/documents as may be approved by the Local Planning Authority in writing pursuant to other conditions of this permission or such drawings/documents as may subsequently be approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority as a non-material amendment following an application in that regard. Such development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with any Phasing Plan approved under Section A, or as necessary in accordance with any successive Phasing Plan as may subsequently be approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to the commencement of development pursuant to this condition.

Reason - For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper phased planning of the development.

3. DISCHARGE REQUIRED: BIODIVERSITY ENHANCEMENT MEASURES

Prior to development above slab level, a scheme of biodiversity enhancement measures shall be formally submitted to the Local Planning Authority for its written approval. The biodiversity enhancement measures shall include the following:

- a) detailed designs and/or product descriptions for biodiversity enhancements; and
- b) locations, orientations and heights for biodiversity enhancements on appropriate drawings.

The approved measures shall then be implemented in full prior to first use and shall then be retained.

Reason: In the interests of enhancing biodiversity on site in accordance with Joint Local Plan policies SP09 and LP16.

4. ACTION REQUIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A SPECIFIC TIMETABLE AND ON GOING REQUIREMENT OF DEVELOPMENT: HIGHWAYS - ACCESS

No other part of the development hereby permitted shall be commenced until the new vehicular access has been laid out and completed in all respects in accordance with Suffolk county Council's standard access drawing DM03 with an entrance width of 3 metres. Thereafter, it shall be retained in its approved form. Prior to the new access being brought into use, all other means of vehicular access into the site from Butfield shall be effectively stopped up and closed in complete accordance with a scheme which shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority.

Reason: To ensure the access is laid out and completed to an acceptable design in the interests of the safety of persons using the access and users of the highway and to avoid multiple accesses that would be detrimental to highway safety. This needs to be a pre-commencement condition because access for general construction traffic and other traffic, is not otherwise achievable safely.

5. ACTION REQUIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A SPECIFIC TIMETABLE: HIGHWAYS - ACCESS SURFACE

Prior to the development hereby permitted being first occupied, the new access onto the highway shall be properly surfaced with a bound material for a minimum distance of 5 metres measured from the nearside edge of the metalled carriageway, in accordance with details that shall have previously been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure construction of a satisfactory access and to avoid unacceptable safety risks arising from materials deposited on the highway from the development.

6. ACTION REQUIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A SPECIFIC TIMETABLE: HIGHWAYS - PARKING AND MANOEUVRING

The use shall not commence until the area(s) within the site shown in Drawing No. 4 for the purposes of manoeuvring and parking of vehicles has been provided, and thereafter, that area(s) shall be retained and used for no other purposes.

Reason: To ensure that sufficient space for the on-site parking of vehicles is provided and maintained to ensure the provision of adequate on-site space for the parking and manoeuvring of vehicles where on-street parking and manoeuvring would be detrimental to highway safety to users of the highway.

7. ACTION REQUIRED PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT: HIGHWAYS - SURFACE WATER DISCHARGE

Before the development is commenced, details shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority showing the means to prevent the discharge of surface water from the development onto the highway including any system to dispose of the water. The approved scheme shall be carried out in its entirety before the access is first used and shall be retained thereafter in its approved form.

Reason: To prevent hazards caused by flowing water or ice on the highway. This needs to be a pre-commencement condition to avoid expensive remedial action which adversely impacts on the viability of the development if, given the limitations on areas available, a suitable scheme cannot be retrospectively designed and built.

Note: Any soakaway must maintain a minimum clearance of 5 metres from highway maintainable at public expense.

SUMMARY OF POLICIES WHICH ARE RELEVANT TO THE DECISION:

NPPF - National Planning Policy Framework
SP03 - The sustainable location of new development
SP09 - Enhancement and Management of the Environment
LP03 - Residential Extensions and Conversions
LP16 - Biodiversity & Geodiversity
LP24 - Design and Residential Amenity
LP29 - Safe, Sustainable and Active Transport
Lavenham Neighbourhood Plan

NOTES:

1. Statement of positive and proactive working in line with the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)

The proposal has been assessed with regard to adopted development plan policies, the National Planning Policy Framework and all other material considerations. The NPPF encourages a positive and proactive approach to decision taking, delivery of sustainable development, achievement of high quality development and working proactively to secure developments that improve the economic, social and environmental conditions of the area. While the applicant did not take advantage of the service, the Council provides a pre-application advice service prior to the submission of any application. The opportunity to discuss a proposal prior to making an application allows potential issues to be raised and addressed pro-actively at an early stage, potentially allowing the Council to make a favourable determination for a greater proportion of applications than if no such service was available.

2. Building Control Note

You are reminded that the carrying out of building works requires approval under the Building Regulations in many cases as well as a grant of planning permission. If you are in doubt as to whether or not the work, the subject of this planning permission, requires such approval, then you are invited to contact the Building Control Section of Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils.

3. Condition Precedent Note

This permission / consent includes a condition precedent. Your development is potentially at risk of enforcement if you do not comply with the terms of any condition which requires you to do something before you commence development / start work. Development which

is commenced in breach of a condition is normally unlawful and may not constitute a valid implementation of the permission. We strongly advise you to allow reasonable time for the preparation, and consideration of, any conditional matters before the time limit on this applications expires.

4. **Highways Note**

Note: It is an OFFENCE to carry out works within the public highway, which includes a Public Right of Way, without the permission of the Highway Authority. Any conditions which involve work within the limits of the public highway do not give the applicant permission to carry them out. Unless otherwise agreed in writing all works within the public highway shall be carried out by the County Council or its agents at the applicant's expense.

The County Council must be contacted on Tel: 0345 606 6171.

For further information go to:

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/parking/apply-and-pay-for-a-dropped-kerb/>
or:

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/planning-waste-and-environment/planning-and-development-advice/application-for-works-licence/>

County Council drawings DM01 - DM14 are available from:

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/planning-waste-and-environment/planning-and-development-advice/standard-drawings/>

A fee is payable to the Highway Authority for the assessment and inspection of both new vehicular crossing access works and improvements deemed necessary to existing vehicular crossings due to proposed development.

Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils have adopted Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) charging which affects planning permissions granted on or after 11th April 2016 and permitted development commenced on or after 11th April 2016. If your development is for the erection of a new building, annex or extension or the change of use of a building over 100sqm in internal area or the creation of a new dwelling or holiday let of any size your development may be liable to pay CIL and you must submit relevant documents to our Infrastructure Team telling us more about your development, who will pay CIL and when the development will start. You will receive advice on the amount you have to pay and what you have to do and you can find more information about CIL on our websites here:

[CIL in Babergh](#) and [CIL in Mid Suffolk](#) or by contacting the Infrastructure Team on: infrastructure@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk

This relates to document reference: DC/23/05724

Signed: Philip Isbell

Dated: 25th January 2024

**Chief Planning Officer
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Important Notes to be read in conjunction with your Decision Notice

Please read carefully

This decision notice refers only to the decision made by the Local Planning Authority under the Town and Country Planning Acts and DOES NOT include any other consent or approval required under enactment, bylaw, order or regulation.

Please note: depending upon what conditions have been attached to the decision, action may be required on your part before you can begin your development. Planning conditions usually require that you write to the Local Planning Authority and obtain confirmation that you have discharged your obligations. You should read your decision notice in detail and make a note of the requirements placed on you by any conditions. **If you proceed with your development without complying with these conditions you may invalidate your permission and put your development at risk.**

Discharging your obligations under a condition:

You should formally apply to discharge your conditions and the relevant application forms are available on the Council's website. The Local Planning Authority has 8 weeks to write to you after you submit the details to discharge your conditions. You should always account for this time in your schedule as the Local Planning Authority cannot guarantee that conditions can be discharged quicker than this. A fee is applicable for the discharge of planning conditions.

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Appeals to the Secretary of State

1. If the applicant is aggrieved by the decision of the Local Planning Authority to refuse permission or consent, or to grant permission or consent subject to condition, they may appeal to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government. The applicant's right of appeal is in accordance with the appropriate statutory provisions which follow:

Planning Applications: Section 78 Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Listed Building Applications: Section 20 Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990

Advertisement Applications: Section 78 Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Regulation 15

Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 2007

Notice of appeal in the case of applications for advertisement consent must be served within eight weeks of receipt of this notice. Notice of Householder and Minor Commercial Appeals must be served within 12 weeks, in all other cases, notice of appeal must be served within six months of this notice. If this is a decision on a planning application relating to the same or substantially the same land and development as is already the subject of an enforcement notice, 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 this notice. 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 six months of the date of this notice, whichever period expires earlier.

Appeals must be made on a form which is obtainable from The Planning Inspectorate, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN or online at <https://www.gov.uk/appeal-householder-planning-decision>.

The Secretary of State has power to allow a longer period for the giving of a notice of appeal but he/she will not normally be prepared to exercise this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal. The Secretary of State is not required to entertain an appeal if it appears to him/her that permission for the proposed development could not have been granted by the Local Planning Authority, or could not have been so granted otherwise than subject to the conditions imposed by it, having regard to the statutory requirements*, to the provisions of the Development Order, and to any directions given under the Order. The Secretary of State does not in practice refuse to entertain appeals solely because the decision of the Local Planning Authority was based on a direction given by him/her.

2. If permission or consent to develop land or carry out works is refused or granted subject to conditions, whether by the Local Planning Authority or by the Secretary of State and the owner of the land claims that the land has become incapable of reasonable beneficial use by the carrying out of any development or works which has been or would be permitted they may serve on the Council of the district in which the land is situated, a purchase notice requiring the Council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Section 137 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 or Section 32 Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.

*The statutory requirements are those set out in Section 79(6) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, namely Sections 70 and 72(1) of the Act.

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