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#### Application for Planning Permission

# 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

Birdworld and Haskins Forest Lodge Garden Centre

#### Address Line 1

Farnham Road

Address Line 2

Holt Pound

Address Line 3

Town/city

Farnham

Postcode

GU10 4LD

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

Easting (x)	Northing (y)
481044	143126
Description	

# **Applicant Details**

# Name/Company

Title

First name

Surname

Name

#### Company Name

Birdworld Ltd and Haskins Garden Centres Ltd

### Address

#### Address line 1

Birdworld and Haskins Forest Lodge Garden Centre

#### Address line 2

Farnham Road

#### Address line 3

Holt Pound

#### Town/City

Farnham

County

Country

# Postcode

GU10 4LD

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

⊘ Yes

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### **Contact Details**

Primary number

Secondary number
Fax number
Email address
Agent Details
Name/Company
Title
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First name
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Surname
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#### **Contact Details**

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# Site Area

What is the measurement of the site area? (numeric characters only).

13.54			
Unit			

Hectares

# **Description of the Proposal**

Please note in regard to:

- Fire Statements From 1 August 2021, planning applications for buildings of over 18 metres (or 7 stories) tall containing more than one dwelling will require a 'Fire Statement' for the application to be considered valid. There are some exemptions. <u>View government planning guidance on fire statements</u> or access the fire statement template and guidance.
- Permission In Principle If you are applying for Technical Details Consent on a site that has been granted Permission In Principle, please include the relevant details in the description below.
- **Public Service Infrastructure** From 1 August 2021, applications for certain public service infrastructure developments will be eligible for faster determination timeframes. See help for further details or <u>view government planning guidance on determination periods</u>.

#### Description

Please describe details of the proposed development or works including any change of use

Improvements to, and new facilities at Birdworld to include a new Entrance Building, Play Barn, Conservation and Breeding facility and an external Adventure Play Area. The re-development of Forest Lodge Garden Centre to include the demolition of the existing garden centre and the adjoining Garden Style structures to create a new garden centre (with covered and open sales areas, restaurant, plant, and warehouse). New service areas and car parking for both operations accessed from a new roundabout on the A235. The closure and removal of the existing Forest Lodge access. Enhanced landscaping throughout.

Has the work or change of use already started?

○ Yes⊘ No

**Existing Use** 

Please describe the current use of the site

Birdworld, Bird Park. Haskins Garden Centre.

Is the site currently vacant?

⊖ Yes ⊘ No

Does the proposal involve any of the following? If Yes, you will need to submit an appropriate contamination assessment with your application.

Land which is known to be contaminated

⊖ Yes ⊘ No

Land where contamination is suspected for all or part of the site

⊖ Yes ⊘ No

A proposed use that would be particularly vulnerable to the presence of contamination

⊖ 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:

Walls

**Existing materials and finishes:** See photos in the DAS

Proposed materials and finishes:

See proposed elevational drawings and the DAS

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

⊘ Yes

⊖ No

If Yes, please state references for the plans, drawings and/or design and access statement

See MDA Planning Covering letter

# Pedestrian and Vehicle Access, Roads and Rights of Way

Is a new or altered vehicular access proposed to or from the public highway?	
Is a new or altered pedestrian access proposed to or from the public highway?	
Are there any new public roads to be provided within the site?	
Are there any new public rights of way to be provided within or adjacent to the site? ⊘ Yes ◯ No	
Do the proposals require any diversions/extinguishments and/or creation of rights of way?	
If you answered Yes to any of the above questions, please show details on your plans/drawings and state their	reference numbers

See Transport Statement and Proposed Site Plan

# **Vehicle Parking**

Does the site have any existing vehicle/cycle parking spaces or will the proposed development add/remove any parking spaces?

⊘ Yes ○ No

Please provide information on the existing and proposed number of on-site parking spaces

Vehicle Type: Cars
Existing number of spaces: 654
Total proposed (including spaces retained): 840
Difference in spaces: 186

### **Trees and Hedges**

Are there trees or hedges on the proposed development site?

⊘ Yes ⊖ No And/or: Are there trees or hedges on land adjacent to the proposed development site that could influence the development or might be important as part of the local landscape character?

⊘ Yes ○ No

If Yes to either or both of the above, you may need to provide a full tree survey, at the discretion of the local planning authority. If a tree survey is required, this and the accompanying plan should be submitted alongside the application. The local planning authority should make clear on its website what the survey should contain, in accordance with the current 'BS5837: Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations'.

# Assessment of Flood Risk

Is the site within an area at risk of flooding? (Check the location on the Government's Flood map for planning. You should also refer to national standing advice and your local planning authority requirements for information as necessary.)

<ul><li>○ Yes</li><li>⊙ No</li></ul>
Is your proposal within 20 metres of a watercourse (e.g. river, stream or beck)? ○ Yes ⓒ No
Will the proposal increase the flood risk elsewhere? ○ Yes ⓒ No
How will surface water be disposed of?
Sustainable drainage system
Existing water course
Soakaway

- Main sewer
- Pond/lake

### **Biodiversity and Geological Conservation**

Is there a reasonable likelihood of the following being affected adversely or conserved and enhanced within the application site, or on land adjacent to or near the application site?

To assist in answering this question correctly, please refer to the help text which provides guidance on determining if any important biodiversity or geological conservation features may be present or nearby; and whether they are likely to be affected by the proposals.

- a) Protected and priority species
- ⊘ Yes, on the development site
- $\bigcirc$  Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
- O No

b) Designated sites, important habitats or other biodiversity features

- $\bigcirc$  Yes, on the development site
- $\odot$  Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
- ONo
- c) Features of geological conservation importance
- $\bigcirc$  Yes, on the development site
- $\bigcirc$  Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
- ⊘No

#### Supporting information requirements

Where a development proposal is likely to affect features of biodiversity or geological conservation interest, you will need to submit, with the application, sufficient information and assessments to allow the local planning authority to determine the proposal.

Failure to submit all information required will result in your application being deemed invalid. It will not be considered valid until all information required by the local planning authority has been submitted.

Your local planning authority will be able to advise on the content of any assessments that may be required.

### **Foul Sewage**

Please state how foul sewage is to be disposed of:

- ✓ Mains sewer
- Septic tank
- Package treatment plant
- Cess pit
- Other
- Unknown

Are you proposing to connect to the existing drainage system?

- ⊘ Yes
- ⊖ No
- OUnknown

If Yes, please include the details of the existing system on the application drawings and state the plan(s)/drawing(s) references

See Drainage Report

### Waste Storage and Collection

Do the plans incorporate areas to store and aid the collection of waste?

⊘ Yes

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If Yes, please provide details:

See Site Layout plan

Have arrangements been made for the separate storage and collection of recyclable waste?

⊘ Yes

ONo

If Yes, please provide details:

See Site Layout plan

#### **Trade Effluent**

Does the proposal involve the need to dispose of trade effluents or trade waste?

⊖ Yes

⊘No

# **Residential/Dwelling Units**

Does your proposal include the gain, loss or change of use of residential units?

⊖ Yes ⊘ No

### All Types of Development: Non-Residential Floorspace

Does your proposal involve the loss, gain or change of use of non-residential floorspace? Note that 'non-residential' in this context covers all uses except Use Class C3 Dwellinghouses.

⊘ Yes

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Please add details of the Use Classes and floorspace.

	<b>Class:</b> - Display/Sale of good	s other than hot food		
<b>Exist</b> 5408		oorspace (square metres) (a):		
<b>Gros</b> 5408	•	e to be lost by change of use or dem	olition (square metres) (b):	
<b>Total</b> 9295	-	floorspace proposed (including cha	nges of use) (square metres) (c):	
<b>Net a</b> 3887	-	rnal floorspace following developme	ent (square metres) (d = c - a):	
	Class: r (Please specify)			
	<b>r (Please specify):</b> ire (Bird Park)			
<b>Exist</b> 6801	ing gross internal flo	oorspace (square metres) (a):		
<b>Gros</b> 2434	-	e to be lost by change of use or dem	olition (square metres) (b):	
<b>Total</b> 3086	-	floorspace proposed (including cha	nges of use) (square metres) (c):	
<b>Net a</b> -3715	-	mal floorspace following developme	ent (square metres) (d = c - a):	
	Existing gross internal floorspace (square metres) (a)	Gross internal floorspace to be lost by change of use or demolition (square metres) (b)	Total gross new internal floorspace proposed (including changes of use) (square metres) (c)	Net additional gross internal floorspace following development (square metres) (d = c - a)
	12209	7842	12381	172

#### Tradable floor area

	ne proposal include use art of any other use)	e as a shop (e.g. For the display/sale of	f goods under Use Class E(a), the sale	e of essential goods under Use Class F2,
⊘Yes ⊖No				
lf yes, p	blease provide details o	of the tradable floor area:		
	Class: - Display/Sale of good	is other than hot food		
<b>Exis</b> 4026	•	ea (square metres) (e):		
<b>Trac</b> 4026		lost by change of use or demolition	(square metres) (f):	
<b>Tota</b> 6640		proposed (including change of use)	(square metres) (g):	
<b>Net</b> 2614		oor area following development (squ	uare metres) (h = g - e):	
Totals	Existing tradable floor area (square metres) (e)	Tradable floor area to be lost by change of use or demolition (square metres) (f)	Total tradable floor area proposed (including change of use) (square metres) (g)	Net additional tradable floor area following development (square metres) (h = g - e)
	4026	4026	6640	2614

#### Loss or gain of rooms

Does the proposal include loss or gain of rooms for hotels, residential institutions, or hostels?

⊖ Yes

⊘No

### Employment

Are there any existing employees on the site or will the proposed development increase or decrease the number of employees?

⊘ Yes ○ No

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#### **Existing Employees**

Please complete the following information regarding existing employees:

Full-time

#### 61

Part-time

110

#### Total full-time equivalent

117.00

# Proposed Employees

If known, please complete the following information regarding proposed employees:

73   Part-time   164   Total full-time equivalent	Full-time	
164	73	
	Part-time	
Total full-time equivalent	164	
	Total full-time equivalent	
156.00	156.00	

# **Hours of Opening**

Are Hours of Opening relevant to this proposal?

⊘ Yes

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Please add details of the of the Use Classes and hours of opening for each non-residential use proposed.

If you do not know the hours of opening, select the Use Class and tick 'Unknown'

Use Class:		
Other (Please specify)		
Other (Please specify):		
Leisure (Bird Park)		
Unknown:		
No		
Monday to Friday:		
Start Time:		
10:00		
End Time:		
17:00		
Saturday:		
Start Time:		
10:00		
End Time:		
17:00		
Sunday / Bank Holiday:		
Start Time:		
End Time:		

#### Industrial or Commercial Processes and Machinery

Does this proposal involve the carrying out of industrial or commercial activities and processes?

() Yes

⊘No

Is the proposal for a waste management development?

⊖ Yes

⊘No

### **Hazardous Substances**

Does the proposal involve the use or storage of Hazardous Substances?

⊖ Yes ⊘ No

### Site Visit

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

⊘ Yes

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

⊘ The agent

O The applicant

Other person

### **Pre-application Advice**

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

⊘ Yes

⊖ No

If Yes, please complete the following information about the advice you were given (this will help the authority to deal with this application more efficiently):

Officer name:

Title

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

#### First Name

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

#### Surname

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

Reference

20533/999

Date (must be pre-application submission)

24/11/2021

Details of the pre-application advice received

Three meetings were held on 24/11/2021, 11/07/2023 and 9/11/2024.

#### 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?

⊘ Yes

⊖ No

Is any of the land to which the application relates part of an Agricultural Holding?

⊖ Yes

⊘ No

#### Certificate Of Ownership - Certificate A

I certify/The applicant certifies that on the day 21 days before the date of this application nobody except myself/ the applicant was the owner\* of any part of the land or building to which the application relates, and that none of the land to which the application relates is, or is part of, an agricultural holding\*\*

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

\*\* "agricultural holding" has the meaning given by reference to the definition of "agricultural tenant" in section 65(8) of the Act.

NOTE: You should sign Certificate B, C or D, as appropriate, if you are the sole owner of the land or building to which the application relates but the land is, or is part of, an agricultural holding.

Person Role

○ The Applicant⊘ The Agent

Title

Mrs

#### First Name

Mary

Surname

Davidson

Declaration Date

29/01/2024

Declaration made

### Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Full 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

Mary Davidson

#### Date

29/01/2024