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Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for a Proposed Use or Development

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

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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

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

Town/city

Postcode

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

Easting (x)

Northing (y)

Description

Oundle Tennis Club - Courts 4 and 5

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

Jason

Surname

Atkinson

Company Name

Oundle Tennis Club

Address

Address line 1

Occupation Road

Address line 2

Address line 3

Town/City

Oundle

County

Country

United Kingdom

Postcode

pe84ru

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

Yes

No

Contact Details

Primary number

***** REDACTED *****

Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

***** REDACTED *****

Description of Proposal

Does the proposal consist of, or include, the carrying out of building or other operations?

Yes

No

Does the proposal consist of, or include, a change of use of the land or building(s)?

Yes

No

Has the proposal been started?

Yes

No

Grounds for Application

Information about the existing use(s)

Please explain why you consider the existing or last use of the land is lawful, or why you consider that any existing buildings, which it is proposed to alter or extend are lawful

We wish to upgrade our existing halide metal lighting on two of our tennis courts with modern LED lighting. As a community sports centre we feel it is appropriate to obtain an LDP in this case to be certain of approval. We have been in touch with North Northants planning and they replied as per the below communication which I have cut/paste to provide useful background into the proposal:

On 22/2/24 I wrote to North Northamptonshire Council Planning Department:

Good morning,

I am the Chairman of Oundle Tennis Club.

In 2009 we received planning permission:

09/00180/FUL | Replacement of existing lighting system and the erection of additional poles and lighting | Oundle Tennis Club St Peters Road Oundle Peterborough Northamptonshire PE8 4NQ

We have now received a small grant (Augean Community Fund) to upgrade the light bulbs on the existing lighting columns on our two courts (4 and 5).

We have the specs on these bulbs – 76% energy savings, less light glare (they are directional like the lights we have on courts 1/2/3 so just illuminate the court) and lower emissions. The existing lights are very old and due for replacement.

We just wanted to check if we needed further permission to change the bulbs out and/or to send through any specifications of the works?

Many thanks and regards,

Jason Atkinson
Chair, Oundle Tennis Club
07930 356 305

on 28/2/24 we gratefully received the following reply?

From: ENC PLANNING PLANNING.ENC@northnorthants.gov.uk
Sent: Wednesday, February 28, 2024 12:00 PM
To: Jason Atkinson jason.Atkinson@russam.co.uk
Subject: FW: Hub case reference number is EMN050765

Good morning

Our Technical team have advised that it is unlikely that permission would be required for bulbs, however, they cannot give informal advice.

If you wish to have a binding opinion on the lawfulness of the works you can submit a LDP application. You can also use the planning permission check on our website for further guidance.

Kind regards

Planning Administration Team

From: North Northants updateus@northnorthants.chat
Sent: Thursday, February 22, 2024 11:07 AM
To: ENC PLANNING PLANNING.ENC@northnorthants.gov.uk
Subject: Hub case reference number is EMN050765

About you

First name: Jason

Last name: Atkinson

Email address: jason.atkinson@russam.co.uk

Telephone number: 07930356305

Address line 1: 27 Benefield Road

Address line 2: Oundle

Address line 3: Peterborough

Postcode: pe8 4eu

Please list the supporting documentary evidence (such as a planning permission) which accompanies this application

Our original planning permission in 2009 for lighting on our five tennis courts:

<https://publicaccess.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?keyVal=KEUN7FGO03N00&activeTab=summary>

I will separately attach the lighting spec from our supplier Luminance Pro for the proposed upgrading of the light bulbs on courts 4 and 5.

Select the use class that relates to the existing or last use.

E(d) - Indoor sport, recreation, or fitness - Excluding motorised vehicles, firearms, swimming, and skating

Information about the proposed use(s)

Select the use class that relates to the proposed use.

E(d) - Indoor sport, recreation, or fitness - Excluding motorised vehicles, firearms, swimming, and skating

Is the proposed operation or use

- Permanent
 Temporary

Why do you consider that a Lawful Development Certificate should be granted for this proposal?

We are simply wanting to upgrade the light bulbs on the existing lighting columns on our two courts (4 and 5) with new and energy efficient LEDs. This will provide energy savings and less glare - the lights are directional and just illuminate down onto the court. They will thus be exactly the same LED's as we already have (and approved through planning) for our other tennis courts - 1, 2 and 3.

Site Visit

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

- Yes
 No

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

- The agent
 The applicant
 Other person

Pre-application Advice

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

- Yes
 No

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

Interest in the Land

Please state the applicant's interest in the land

- Owner
- Lessee
- Occupier
- Other

If Lessee or Occupier, please give details of the owner and state whether they have been informed in writing of this application

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Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Lawful development: Proposed use 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

Jason Atkinson

Date

19/03/2024