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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 recommendation	ns based on the answers given in the questions.
If you cannot provide a postcode, the description help locate the site - for example "field to the Nor	n of site location must be completed. Please provide the most accurate site description you can, to rth of the Post Office".
Number	
Suffix	
Property Name	
Polhill Garden Centre	
Address Line 1	
London Road	
Address Line 2	
Badgers Mount	
Address Line 3	
Kent	
Town/city	
Halstead	
Postcode	
TN14 7AD	
Description of site location must	be completed if postcode is not known:
Easting (x)	Northing (y)
550211	161349
Description	

Applicant Details
Name/Company
Title
First name
Surname
Company Name
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Address
Address line 1
London Road
Address line 2
Badgers Mount
Address line 3
Town/City
Halstead
County
Kent
Country
Postcode
TN14 7AD
Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?
✓ Yes✓ No
Contact Details
Primary number

Secondary number	
Fax number	
Email address	
Agent Details	
Name/Company	
Title	
First name	
Neal	
Surname	
Thompson	
Company Name	
Robinson Escott Planning	
Address	
Address line 1	
Downe House	
Address line 2	
303 High Street	
Address line 3	
Town/City	
Orpington	
County	
Country	
Postcode	
BR6 0NN	

Contact Details
Primary number
***** REDACTED *****
Secondary number
Fax number
Email address
***** REDACTED ******
Site Area
What is the measurement of the site area? (numeric characters only).
1211.00
Unit
Sq. metres
 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 <u>access the fire statement template and guidance</u>. Permission In Principle - If you are applying for Technical Details Consent on a site that has been granted Permission In Principle, please
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24/03/2020
Existing Use
Please describe the current use of the site
Home delivery service, ancillary to the 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
○ Yes② No
Materials
Does the proposed development require any materials to be used externally?
○ 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:
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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 SUBMITTED PLANS
Pedestrian and Vehicle Access, Roads and Rights of Way
Is a new or altered vehicular access proposed to or from the public highway? ○ Yes ⊙ No
Is a new or altered pedestrian access proposed to or from the public highway? ○ Yes ⊙ No
Are there any new public roads to be provided within the site? ○ Yes ○ No
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? ○ Yes ○ No
Vehicle Parking Does the site have any existing vehicle/cycle parking spaces or will the proposed development add/remove any parking spaces? ○ Yes ⊙ No
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 <u>Flood map for planning</u> . You should also refer to national <u>standing advice</u> and your local planning authority requirements for information as necessary.)
○ Yes⊙ No
Is your proposal within 20 metres of a watercourse (e.g. river, stream or beck)?
○ Yes② No
Will the proposal increase the flood risk elsewhere?
○ Yes② 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?
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detailed information proving there will be a biodiversity increase; or explain why they are exempt from doing so. Find out more about biodiversity net gain, and access digital tools from our partners that can help determine if you are exempt, or produce the biodiversity metric information required. Do you believe that, if the development is granted permission, the general Biodiversity Gain Condition (as set out in Paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)) would apply? O Yes **⊘** No Please add all the exemptions or transitional arrangements that apply and provide a reason why **Exemption:** Temporary exemption for non-major developments (small sites exemption) Reason for selecting exemption: MINOR PROPOSAL Note: Please read the help text for further information on the exemptions available and when they apply **Foul Sewage** Please state how foul sewage is to be disposed of: □ Septic tank ✓ Package treatment plant Cess pit Other Unknown Are you proposing to connect to the existing drainage system? ○ Yes **⊘** No ○ Unknown **Waste Storage and Collection** Do the plans incorporate areas to store and aid the collection of waste? O Yes ⊗ No Have arrangements been made for the separate storage and collection of recyclable waste? Yes ✓ ⊗ No

Biodiversity net gain is a legal requirement for planning permission introduced on 12 February 2024. All applications are required to either provide

Biodiversity net gain

Trade Effluent		
Does the proposal involve the need to dispose of trade effluents or t	rade waste?	
○ Yes⊙ No		
⊗ NO		
Residential/Dwelling Units		
Does your proposal include the gain, loss or change of use of reside	ential units?	
○ Yes		
⊗ No		
All Types of Development: Non-Residentia	ıl Floorspace	
Does your proposal involve the loss, gain or change of use of non-re	-	
Note that 'non-residential' in this context covers all uses except Use	Class C3 Dwellinghouses.	
✓ Yes◯ No		
Please add details of the Use Classes and floorspace.		
Use Class: Other (Please specify)		
Other (Please specify):		
GARDEN CENTRE		
Existing gross internal floorspace (square metres) (a):		
Gross internal floorspace to be lost by change of use or dem	nolition (square metres) (b):	
Total gross new internal floorspace proposed (including cha	nges of use) (square metres) (c):	
Net additional gross internal floorspace following developme	ent (square metres) (d = c - a):	
156		
Totals Existing gross Gross internal floorspace to be lost	Total gross new internal floorspace	Net additional gross internal
internal floorspace by change of use or demolition	proposed (including changes of use)	floorspace following development
(square metres) (a) (square metres) (b)	(square metres) (c)	(square metres) (d = c - a)
0 0	156	156
Tradable floor area		
Does the proposal include use as a shop (e.g. For the display/sale or as part of any other use)	of goods under Use Class E(a), the sale	of essential goods under Use Class F2,
○Yes		
⊗ No		
Loss or gain of rooms		

 O 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
Existing Employees
Please complete the following information regarding existing employees:
Full-time
88
Part-time
61
Total full-time equivalent
118.50
Proposed Employees If known, please complete the following information regarding proposed employees: Full-time 88 Part-time 61 Total full-time equivalent 118.50
Hours of Opening Are Hours of Opening relevant to this proposal? ○ Yes ⊙ No
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 ○ 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

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? O 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
O The Applicant
Title
First Name
Neal
Surname
Thompson
Declaration Date
22/03/2024
✓ 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 decla	ration		
Signed			
Neal Thompson			
Date			
22/03/2024			