

Green Belt Justification

The Construction of External Decking Proposal at **10 Camden Close, Ainsworth, Bury**

on behalf of :

Mr Tomkin

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1. Introduction

1.1 This Green Belt Justification Statement has been produced to support an application for planning permission for the construction of a External Decking (“the Application Proposals”) for Mr Tomkin (“the Applicant”) who lives at 10 Camden Road, Ainsworth, Bury.

1.2 This Statement has been prepared by Zach Thorp of Thorp Design Services.

1.3 This Statement has been prepared pursuant to s.62 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) and Article 4C of the General Development Procedure Order 1995 (as amended), as informed by Circular 01/2006 and CABE Guidance issued in 2006.

2. The Application Proposal

2.1 The Application Proposals are Shown in more detail on the drawings.; they include construction of a ground floor rear extension to compromise of additional living space.

2.2 The size of the original property is 357.7m³

2.3 The size of the existing extensions are 63.9m³

2.4 The size to be removed in proposal is 0m²

2.5 The decking proposal is 32m³.

3. National, regional and local planning policy National Planning Policy

3.1 National Planning Policy Framework . chapter 13 of the NPPF regards the construction of new buildings in the Green Belt as inappropriate development. Exceptions to this are:

- a) buildings for agriculture and forestry;
- b) provision for appropriate facilities (in connection with the existing use of land or a change of use) for outdoor sport and recreation;
- c) extension or alteration of a building providing it does not result in disproportionate additions over and above the size of the original building;
- d) replacement of a building, providing the new building is in the same use and not materially larger than the one it replaces;
- e) limited infilling in villages;
- f) limited affordable housing for community needs under policies set out in the development plan (including policies for rural exceptions sites); and
- g) limited infilling or the partial or complete redevelopment of previously developed land, whether redundant or in continuing use excluding temporary buildings) which would
 - not have a greater impact on the openness of the Green Belt than the existing development; or
 - not cause substantial harm to the openness of the Green belt, where the development would re-use previously developed land and contribute to meeting an identified affordable housing need within the area of the local planning authority.

4. The Applicant's case and Green Belt Justification

4.1 The existing increase % from the original property to the current extension is 17.8%

4.2 The Application Proposals included existing extensions increase the % size to 26.8%

4.3 A section of the decking sits within the Ainsworth conservation area and there is a Heritage Statement which looks further into this with the below Summery;

It has been assessed that there is no effect from the raised decking area on the understanding of the historic interest of The Delph and, therefore, the character and appearance of the Conservation Area will be unharmed as it will be taken in context of the modern residential backdrop.

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5. Summary and Conclusion

5.1 The Application Proposals respect relevant national and local planning policies with the overall percentage increase of the property being 26.8%.

In terms of design and construction, they reflect the very best, and it causes no harm.

5.2 Planning permission should therefore be granted, subject to appropriate conditions