

NOTICE OF PLANNING PERMISSION

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015

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PART 1 - Particulars of Application

Application Number: 70895

Date of Registration: 01/07/2024

Proposal:

Variation of condition no. 3 (approved plans) of planning permission 69940: Amendments to car parking layout including addition of 2 no. staff car parking spaces

Location:

Whitefield Fire Station, Bury New Road,
Whitefield, Manchester, M45 7SY

PART 2 - Particulars of Decision

Bury Metropolitan Borough Council hereby give notice in pursuance of the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 that permission has been **GRANTED** for the carrying out of the development referred to in Part 1 hereof in accordance with the application and plans submitted subject to the following conditions:-

- 1 The development must be begun not later 6th March 2027.
Reason. Required to be imposed by Section 91 Town & Country Planning Act 1990.
- 2 The permission hereby granted for the temporary fire station as shown on drawings WFS-BGH-02-XX-DR-A-0201 Rev P5, WFS-BGH-02-XX-DR-A-0401 Rev P5, WFS-BGH-02-XX-DR-C-0172 Rev P6, WFS-BGH-02-ZZ-DR-A-0301 Rev P5 approved under application 69940 and WFS-BGH-02-XX-DR-A-0201 Rev P6, WFS-BGH-02-XX-DR-A-0401 Rev P6, WFS-BGH-02-ZZ-DR-A-0301 Rev P8 on non-material amendment 70831 is for a limited period only, namely for the duration of the redevelopment , and the use comprising the development for which permission is hereby granted is required to be respectively removed and discontinued at the end of the said period within 3 months of the occupation of the main fire station.
Reason. The development is of a temporary nature only.
- 3 This decision relates to drawings numbered 1978.35.4251 Rev P1, 1978.35.4252 Rev P1, 1978.35.4352 Rev P3, 1978.35.4351 Rev P1, 1978.35.4354 Rev P2, 1978.35.4452 Rev P2, 1978.35.4454 Rev P2, 1978.35.4455 Rev P2, 1978.35.4551 Rev P1, 1978.35.4552 Rev P2, 1978.35.4553 Rev P2, WFS-APP-XX-XX-DR-L-0001 Rev P06, WFS-BGH-01-GF-DR-S-0101 Rev P1, WFS-BGH-01-GF-DR-S-0102

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Reason. For the avoidance of doubt and to ensure a satisfactory standard of design pursuant to the policies of the Bury Unitary Development Plan listed.

- 4 Details/Samples of the materials to be used in the external elevations, together with details of their manufacturer, type/colour and size, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to any above ground superstructure works being commenced (excluding temporary fire station). Only the approved materials/bricks shall be used for the construction of the development.
Reason. No material samples have been submitted and are required in the interests of visual amenity and to ensure a satisfactory development pursuant to UDP Policy EN1/2 Townscape and Built Design.
- 5 Where remediation is required, the approved Remediation Strategy must be carried out to the satisfaction of the Local Planning Authority within agreed timescales; and A Site Verification Report detailing the actions taken and conclusions at each stage of the remediation works, including substantiating evidence, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to the development being brought into use.
Reason. To secure the satisfactory development of the site in terms of human health, controlled waters and the wider environment and pursuant to National Planning Policy Framework Section 15 - Conserving and enhancing the natural environment.
- 6 A scheme for managing any borehole installed for the investigation of soils, groundwater or geotechnical purposes shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The scheme shall provide details of how redundant boreholes are to be decommissioned and how any boreholes that need to be retained, post-development, for monitoring purposes will be secured, protected, and inspected. The scheme as approved shall be implemented prior to the occupation of any part of the permitted development.
Reason. To ensure that redundant boreholes are safe and secure, and do not cause groundwater pollution or loss of water supplies in line with paragraph 180 of the National Planning Policy Framework and Position Statement J of 'The Environment Agency's approach to groundwater protection'.
- 7 No works to trees or shrubs shall occur between the 1st March and 31st August in any year unless a detailed bird nest survey by a suitably experienced ecologist has been carried out immediately prior to clearance and written confirmation provided that no active bird nests are present which has been agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority
Reason. In order to ensure that no harm is caused to a Protected Species pursuant to policies JP-G8 - A Net Enhancement of Biodiversity and Geodiversity and EN6/3 - Features of Ecological Value of the Development Plan and National Planning Policy Framework Section 15 - Conserving and enhancing the natural environment
- 8 The Biodiversity Enhancement and Management Plan dated December 2023 hereby approved shall be implemented not later than 12 months from the date the building (excluding the temporary fire station) is first occupied. Any trees or shrubs

removed, dying or becoming severely damaged or becoming seriously diseased within 5 years of planting shall be replaced by trees or shrubs of a similar size and species to those originally required to be planted.

Reason. To secure the satisfactory development of the site and in the interests of visual amenity pursuant to Policies EN1/2 - Townscape and Built Design and EN8/2 - Woodland and Tree Planting of the Bury Unitary Development Plan and chapter 15 - Conserving and enhancing the natural environment of the NPPF.

- 9 The drainage for the development hereby approved, shall be carried out in accordance with principles set out in the submitted Foul & Surface Water Drainage Design Drawing WFS-BGH-XX-XX-DR-C-0151, Rev P12 - Dated 20.06.24 which was prepared by BGH. For the avoidance of doubt surface water must drain at the restricted rate of 5 l/s. Prior to occupation of the proposed development, the drainage schemes shall be completed in accordance with the approved details and retained thereafter for the lifetime of the development.

Reason. To ensure a satisfactory form of development and to prevent an undue increase in surface water run-off and to reduce the risk of flooding pursuant to Development Plan Policies JP-S4 - Flood Risk and the Water Environment, EN7/3 - Water Pollution and EN7/5 - Waste Water Management and chapter 14 - Meeting the challenge of climate change, flooding and coastal change of the NPPF.

- 10 All trees to be retained on and adjacent to the site shall be protected in accordance with BS 5837:2012 "Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction" and the approved Arboricultural Impact Assessment with Arboricultural Method Statement received 27th July 2023. No development shall commence unless and until the measures required by the British Standard are implemented and all measures required shall remain in situ until the development has been completed.

Reason. To avoid the loss of trees which are of amenity value to the area pursuant to Policy EN1/2 - Townscape and Built Design and EN8/2 - Woodland and Tree Planting of the Bury Unitary Development Plan.

- 11 The details of the formation of the proposed temporary access alterations on George Street, incorporating the reinstatement of the redundant access and all associated highway remedial upon completion of the development shall be implemented in accordance with the details approved under condition 11 of application 69940 with all highway works completed prior to occupation of the temporary fire station hereby approved.

Reason. To secure the satisfactory development of the site in terms of highway safety, ensure good highway design and maintain the integrity of the adopted highway, in the interests of highway safety pursuant to Development Plan Policies EN1/2 - Townscape and Built Design, JP-C5 - Streets for All and JP-C6 Walking and Cycling

- 12 The proposal shall be carried out in accordance with the details approved as part of Condition 12 of application 69940 and shall be implemented to an agreed programme with all highway works completed prior to occupation of the development hereby approved.

Reason. To secure the satisfactory development of the site in terms of highway safety, ensure good highway design and maintain the integrity of the adopted highway, in the interests of highway safety pursuant to Development Plan Policies EN1/2 - Townscape and Built Design, JP-C5 - Streets for All and JP-C6 Walking and Cycling.

- 13 The Construction Traffic Management Plan approved under condition 13 of application 69940 shall be adhered to throughout the demolition/construction period and the measures shall be retained and facilities used for the intended purpose for the duration of the demolition and construction periods. The areas identified shall not be used for any other purposes other than the turning/parking of vehicles and storage of demolition/construction materials.
Reason. To mitigate the impact of the construction traffic generated by the proposed development on the adjacent residential streets, and ensure adequate off street car parking provision and materials storage arrangements for the duration of the construction period and that the adopted highways are kept free of deposited material from the ground works operations, in the interests of highway safety pursuant to Development Plan Policies EN1/2 - Townscape and Built Design, JP-C5 - Streets for All and JP-C6 Walking and Cycling.
- 14 The turning facilities indicated on the approved plans shall be provided prior to the development hereby approved being brought into use and the areas used for the manoeuvring of vehicles shall subsequently be maintained free of obstruction at all times.
Reason. To minimise the standing and turning movements of vehicles on the highway in the interests of road safety and ensure that the turning facilities are not obstructed by parked vehicles pursuant to Development Plan Policies EN1/2 - Townscape and Built Design, JP-C5 - Streets for All and JP-C6 Walking and Cycling.
- 15 The car parking indicated on the approved plans shall be surfaced, demarcated and made available for use prior to the development hereby approved being brought into use and thereafter maintained at all times.
Reason. To ensure adequate off street car parking provision in the interests of road safety pursuant to policy HT2/4 - Car Parking and New Development of the Bury Unitary Development Plan.
- 16 Prior to occupation the applicant shall provide electric vehicle (EV) charging points for 20% of the proposed parking spaces. EV chargepoints shall be 7kW* as a minimum.

*Mode 3, 7kW (32A) single phase, or 22kW (32A) three phase, and for 50kW Mode 4 rapid charging may be required. British Standard BS EN 61851-1:2019 to be used. Further information regarding minimum standards can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/transport/low-emission-and-electric-vehicles>.

Reason. In accordance with the NPPF, to encourage the uptake of ultra-low emission vehicles and ensure the development is sustainable. To safeguard residential amenity, public health and quality of life.

Statement in accordance with Article 35(2) Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) (Amendment) Order 2015

The proposal complies with the development plan and would improve the economic, social and environmental conditions of the area. It therefore comprises sustainable development and the Local Planning Authority worked proactively and positively to issue the decision without delay. The Local Planning Authority has therefore implemented the requirement in Paragraph 38 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

The following policies of the Bury Unitary Development Plan, National and Regional Government were considered relevant:

CF1/1	CF1/1 - Location of New Community Facilities
EN1/2	EN1/2 - Townscape and Built Design
EN6/3	EN6/3 - Features of Ecological Value
EN7/3	EN7/3 - Water Pollution
EN7/5	EN7/5 - Waste Water Management
EN8/2	EN8/2 - Woodland and Tree Planting
HT2/4	HT2/4 - Car Parking and New Development
JP-P1	Sustainable Places
JP-P3	Cultural Facilities
JP-G8	A Net Enhancement of Biodiversity and Geodiversity
JP-S4	Flood Risk and the Water Environment
JP-C5	Streets For All
JP-C6	Walking and Cycling
JP-C8	Transport Requirements of New Development
SPD6	Supplementary Planning Document 6 - Alterations and Extensions to Residential Properties.
SPD11	Development Control Policy Guidance Note 11 - Parking Standards in Bury
NPPF	National Planning Policy Framework
PFE	Places for Everyone

This decision relates only to the Town and Country Planning Acts and does not include any consent or approval under any other enactment or under the Building Regulations. Any other consent or approval which is necessary must be obtained from the appropriate authority.

Applicant Plan Numbers:

1978.35.4251 Rev P1, 1978.35.4252 Rev P1, 1978.35.4352 Rev P3, 1978.35.4351 Rev P1, 1978.35.4354 Rev P2, 1978.35.4452 Rev P2, 1978.35.4454 Rev P2, 1978.35.4455 Rev P2, 1978.35.4551 Rev P1, 1978.35.4552 Rev P2, 1978.35.4553 Rev P2, WFS-APP-XX-XX-DR-L-0001 Rev P06, WFS-BGH-01-GF-DR-S-0101 Rev P1, WFS-BGH-01-GF-DR-S-0102 Rev P1, WFS-BGH-02-XX-DR-A-0201 Rev P6, WFS-BGH-02-ZZ-DR-A-0301 Rev P8, WFS-BGH-02-XX-DR-A-0401 Rev P6, WFS-BGH-02-XX-DR-C-0172 Rev P6, WFS-BGH-XX-XX-DR-C-0151 Rev P12, WFS-BGH-XX-XX-DR-A-0203 Rev P10, Q11202 - 01, Q11202 - 02, H4214-H-01 Rev P1, H4182-H-02 Rev P1, H4182-DD-01 Rev P2, H4182-DD-02 Rev P1, H4182-DD-03 Rev P1

Supporting Documents

Planning Statement 30 August 2023

Design and Access Statement July 2023

Arboricultural Impact Assessment with Arboricultural Method Statement - November 2022

Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service – Waste & Recycling Specification

Phase 1 Geo-Environmental Investigation 3866a-01

Phase 2 Geo-Environmental Investigation Report 3866a-02

Flood risk assessment and outline drainage strategy FRA 22 1159

Surface Water Management Report

Hydrogeological Risk Assessment 3866a-03

Engagement and Consultation Report April 2023

UKHabs Baseline Map

Biodiversity Enhancement and Management Plan December 2023

Asbestos Demolition Survey

Remediation Strategy 1978/35

NOTES TO APPLICANT

1. Whilst the building to be demolished has been assessed as negligible risk for bats, the applicant is reminded that under the 2019 Regulations it is an offence to disturb, harm or kill bats. If a bat is found during demolition all work should cease immediately and a suitably licensed bat worker employed to assess how best to safeguard the bat(s).

2. **INFORMATIVE - The Control of Noise (Appeals) Regulations 1975, Section 60. Control of Noise on Construction Sites**

Works carried out in connection with the planning permission shall comply with the above regulations which require the following:

1. All works and ancillary operations which are audible at the boundary of the nearest house or noise receptor, or at such other place as may be agreed with the Council, shall be carried out only between the hours of 0800 and 1800 on Mondays to Fridays and between the hours of 0900 and 1400 on Saturdays and at no time on Sundays and Bank Holidays.
2. The best practicable means, as defined in section 72 of the Control of Pollution Act 1974, to reduce noise to a minimum shall be employed at all times.
3. All plant and machinery in use shall be properly silenced and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
4. Any emergency deviation from the above (1 - 3) shall be notified to Bury Council without delay.

Any contravention of these requirements will trigger the serving of a Notice under Section 60 of The Control of Noise Regulations 1975.

3. **United Utilities**
Adoption and construction of drainage systems

If the applicant intends to offer wastewater assets forward for adoption by United Utilities, their proposed detailed design will be subject to a technical appraisal by our Developer Services team and must meet the requirements outlined in 'Sewerage Sector Guidance Appendix C – Design and Construction Guidance v2-2' dated 29 June 2022 or any subsequent iteration. This is important as drainage design can be a key determining factor of site levels and layout.

Acceptance of a drainage strategy does not infer that a detailed drainage design will meet the requirements for a successful adoption application. We strongly recommend that no construction commences until the detailed drainage design, has been assessed and accepted in writing by United Utilities. Any work carried out prior to the technical assessment being approved is done entirely at the developer's own risk and could be subject to change.

UNITED UTILITIES PROPERTY, ASSETS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Where United Utilities' assets cross the proposed red line boundary, developers must contact our Developer Services team prior to commencing any works on site, including trial holes, groundworks or demolition. Please see 'Contacts' section below.

Water pipelines

United Utilities will not allow building over or in close proximity to a water main.

A water main crosses the site. It must not be built over, or our access to the pipeline compromised in any way. We require an access strip as detailed in our 'Standard Conditions for Works Adjacent to Pipelines', which can be found on our website:

<https://www.unitedutilities.com/builders-developers/your-development/planning/building-over-or-working-near-our-assets/working-near-our-pipes/>. The applicant must comply with this document to ensure pipelines are adequately protected both during and after the construction period.

Wastewater pipelines

United Utilities will not allow a new building to be erected over or in close proximity to a public sewer or any other wastewater pipeline. This will only be reviewed in exceptional circumstances.

Nb. Proposals to extend domestic properties either above, or in close proximity to a public sewer will be reviewed on a case by case basis by either by a building control professional or following a direct application to United Utilities (see our website for further details).

Important information regarding water and wastewater pipelines and apparatus

It is the applicant's responsibility to investigate and demonstrate the exact relationship between United Utilities' assets and the proposed development.

A number of providers offer a paid for mapping service, including United Utilities (see 'Contacts' section below). The position of the underground apparatus shown on water and wastewater asset maps is approximate only and is given in accordance with the best information currently available. Therefore, we strongly recommend the applicant, or any future developer, does not rely solely on the asset maps to inform decisions relating to the detail of their site and instead investigates the precise location of any underground pipelines and apparatus. Where additional information is requested to enable an assessment of the proximity of proposed development features to United Utilities assets, the proven location of pipelines should be confirmed by site survey; an extract of asset maps will not suffice. The applicant should seek advice from our Developer Services team on this matter. See 'Contacts' Section below. United Utilities Water will not accept liability for any loss or damage caused by the actual position of our assets and infrastructure being different from those shown on asset maps.

Developer's should investigate the existence and the precise location of water and wastewater pipelines as soon as possible as this could significantly impact the preferred site layout and/or diversion of the asset(s) may be required. Unless there is specific provision within the title of the property or an associated easement, any necessary disconnection or diversion of assets to accommodate development, will be at the applicant/developer's expense. In some circumstances, usually related to the size and nature of the assets impacted by proposals, developers may discover the cost of diversion is prohibitive in the context of their development scheme.

Any agreement to divert our underground assets will be subject to a diversion application, made directly to United Utilities. This is a separate matter to the determination of a planning application. We will not guarantee, or infer acceptance of, a proposed diversion through the planning process (where diversion is indicated on submitted plans). In the event that an application to divert or abandon underground assets is submitted to United Utilities and subsequently rejected (either before or after the determination of a planning application), applicants should be aware that they may need to amend their proposed layout to accommodate United Utilities' assets.

Where United Utilities' assets exist, the level of cover to United Utilities pipelines and apparatus must not be compromised either during or after construction and there should be no additional load bearing capacity on pipelines without prior agreement from United Utilities. This would include sustainable drainage features, earth movement and the transport and position of construction equipment and vehicles.

Any construction activities in the vicinity of United Utilities' assets, including any assets or infrastructure that may be located outside the applicant's red line boundary, must comply with national building and construction standards and where applicable, our 'Standard Conditions for Works Adjacent to Pipelines', a copy of which is available on our website. The applicant, and/or any subsequent developer should note that our 'Standard Conditions' guidance applies to any design and construction activities in close proximity to water pipelines and apparatus that are no longer in service, as well as pipelines and apparatus that are currently operational.

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that United Utilities' required access is provided within any proposed layout and that our infrastructure is appropriately protected. The developer would be liable for the cost of any damage to United Utilities' assets resulting from their activity.

WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES

If the applicant intends to receive water and/or wastewater services from United Utilities they should visit our website or contact the Developer Services team for advice at the earliest opportunity. This includes seeking confirmation of the required metering arrangements for the proposed development. See 'Contacts' Section below.

If the proposed development site benefits from existing water and wastewater connections, the applicant should not assume that the connection(s) will be suitable for the new proposal or that any existing metering arrangements will suffice. In addition, if reinforcement of the water network is required to meet potential demand, this could be a significant project and the design and construction period should be accounted for.

In some circumstances we may require a compulsory meter is fitted. For detailed guidance on whether the development will require a compulsory meter please visit <https://www.unitedutilities.com/my-account/your-bill/our-household-charges-20212022/> and go to section 7.7 for compulsory metering.

To promote sustainable development United Utilities offers a reduction in infrastructure charges for applicant's delivering water efficient homes and draining surface water sustainably (criteria applies). For further information, we strongly recommend the applicant visits our website when considering any water or wastewater design
<https://www.unitedutilities.com/builders-developers/your-development/planning/building-sustainable-homes/>

Business customers can find additional information on our sustainable drainage incentive scheme at
<https://www.unitedutilities.com/Business-services/retailers/incentive-schemes/>

To avoid any unnecessary costs and delays being incurred by the applicant or any subsequent developer, we strongly recommend the applicant seeks advice regarding water and wastewater services, and metering arrangements, at the earliest opportunity. Please see 'Contacts' Section below.

CONTACTS

Website

For detailed guidance on water and wastewater services, including application forms and the opportunity to talk to the Developer Services team using the 'Live Chat' function, please visit:

<http://www.unitedutilities.com/builders-developers.aspx>

Email

For advice on water and wastewater services or to discuss proposals near to pipelines, email the Developer Services team as follows:

Water mains and water supply, including metering -

DeveloperServicesWater@uuplc.co.uk

Public sewers and drainage - SewerAdoptions@uuplc.co.uk

Telephone - 0345 072 6067

Property Searches (for asset maps):

A number of providers offer a paid for mapping service including United Utilities. For more information, or to purchase a sewer and water plan from United Utilities, please visit <https://www.unitedutilities.com/property-searches/>

Water and sewer records can be viewed for free at our Warrington Head Office by calling 0370 751 0101. Appointments must be made in advance. Public sewer records can be viewed at local authority offices. Arrangements should be made directly with the local authority.

4. Environment Agency Advice and Guidance to Applicant

Model Procedures and good practice This development site appears to have been the subject of past industrial activity which may pose a risk of pollution to controlled waters. We recommend that you should:

- Follow the risk management framework provided in Guidance on Land contamination risk management (LCRM) Land contamination risk management (LCRM) - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk), when dealing with land affected by contamination
- Refer to our Guiding principles for land contamination for the type of information that we require in order to assess risks to controlled waters from the site - the local authority can advise on risk to other receptors, such as human health
- Consider using the National Quality Mark Scheme for Land Contamination Management which involves the use of competent persons to ensure that land contamination risks are appropriately managed
- Refer to the contaminated land pages on gov.uk for more information
- Refer to 'The Environment Agency's approach to groundwater protection'
- All investigations of land potentially affected by contamination should be carried out by or under the direction of a suitably qualified competent person and in accordance with BS 10175 (2001) Code of practice for the investigation of potentially contaminated sites. Where the remediation / redevelopment of the site will involve waste management issues we offer the following advice:

Waste on-site

The CL:AIRE Definition of Waste: Development Industry Code of Practice (version 2) provides operators with a framework for determining whether excavated material arising from site during remediation and/or land development works is waste or has ceased to be waste. Under the Code of Practice:

- excavated materials that are recovered via a treatment operation can be reused on-site providing they are treated to a standard such that they are fit for purpose and unlikely to cause pollution

- treated materials can be transferred between sites as part of a hub and cluster project
 - some naturally occurring clean material can be transferred directly between sites
- Developers should ensure that all contaminated materials are adequately characterised both chemically and physically, and that the permitting status of any proposed on-site operations are clear. If in doubt, the Environment Agency should be contacted for advice at an early stage to avoid any delays. We recommend that developers should refer to:
- the position statement on the Definition of Waste: Development Industry Code of Practice
 - The waste management page on GOV.UK

Waste to be taken off-site

Contaminated soil that is (or must be) disposed of is waste. Therefore, its handling, transport, treatment, and disposal are subject to waste management legislation, which includes:

- Duty of Care Regulations 1991
- Hazardous Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2005
- Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016
- The Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2011

Developers should ensure that all contaminated materials are adequately characterised both chemically and physically in line with British Standard BS EN 14899:2005 'Characterization of Waste - Sampling of Waste Materials - Framework for the Preparation and Application of a Sampling Plan' and that the permitting status of any proposed treatment or disposal activity is clear. If in doubt, the Environment Agency should be contacted for advice at an early stage to avoid any delays. If the total quantity of hazardous waste material produced or taken off-site is 500kg or greater in any 12-month period, the developer will need to register with us as a hazardous waste producer. Refer to the hazardous waste pages on GOV.UK for more information.

Piling and Penetrative ground improvement methods:

Piling or any other foundation designs using penetrative methods can result in risks to potable supplies from, for example, pollution / turbidity, risk of mobilising contamination, drilling through different aquifers, and creating preferential pathways. Thus, it should be demonstrated that any proposed piling will not result in contamination of groundwater.

Dewatering

Dewatering is the removal/abstraction of water (predominantly, but not confined to, groundwater) to locally lower water levels near the excavation. This can allow operations to take place, such as mining, quarrying, building, engineering works or other operations, whether underground or on the surface. Any dewatering activities on-site could have an impact upon local wells, water supplies and/or nearby watercourses and environmental interests. This activity was previously exempt from requiring an abstraction licence. Since 1 January 2018, most cases of new planned dewatering operations above 20 cubic metres a day will require a water abstraction licence from us prior to the commencement of dewatering activities at the site. More information is available on gov.uk:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/water-management-apply-for-a-water-abstraction-or-impoundment-licence#apply-for-a-licence-for-a-previously-exempt-abstraction>.

Regulatory position statements

Discharges from dewatering to surface water or groundwater will require an Environmental Permit unless you can meet the conditions of the RPS or exemptions

or exclusions for groundwater activities. The following Regulatory Position Statement will apply: 'Temporary dewatering from excavations to surface water.'
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/temporary-dewatering-from-excavations-to-surface-water>

Note to applicant

Should you wish us to review any technical documents or want further advice to address any of the environmental issues raised in this response, we may be able to do this as part of our charged for planning advice service. Further engagement will provide you with certainty of our position as to what our response to a planning application will be. It should also result in a better quality and more environmentally sensitive development.

As part of our charged for service we will provide a dedicated project manager to act as a single point of contact to help resolve any problems. We currently charge £100 per person per hour, plus VAT. We will provide you with an estimated cost for any further discussions or review of documents. Our standard terms and conditions are available to view online at www.gov.uk/government/publications/planning-and-marine-licenceadvice-standard-terms-for-our-charges/planning-and-marine-licence-advice-standardterms-for-our-charges.

If you would like more information on our planning advice service, including a cost estimate, please contact us at SPPlanning.RFH@environment-agency.gov.uk

5. The applicant's attention is drawn to the need to consult the Department for Operations regarding the specification for and implementation of the required highway, street lighting and signal works on the adopted highway. The cost of the works will be the responsibility of the developer.
6. In accordance with S93G of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (As amended by Section 111 Levelling Up & Regeneration Act 2023) there is a legal requirement for you to inform the Council of the date when you intend to commence the development on site via submission of a Commencement Notice. This notice is mandatory for all developments and came into effect on 31 March 2024. You can find more information and download a copy of the Commencement Notice under the Before Starting Work section on our website at <https://www.bury.gov.uk/planning-building-control/planning-permission/planning-application-process>
7. ***The local planning authority considers that approval of a BIODIVERSITY GAIN PLAN WILL NOT BE REQUIRED BEFORE DEVELOPMENT COMMENCES***

Biodiversity Net Gain

The effect of paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 is that planning permission granted for development of land in England is deemed to have been granted subject to the condition (biodiversity gain condition) that development may not begin unless:

- (a) a Biodiversity Gain Plan has been submitted to the planning authority,
- and
- (b) the planning authority has approved the plan.

The planning authority, for the purposes of determining whether to approve a Biodiversity Gain Plan, if one is required in respect of this permission would be Bury

Council.

There are statutory exemptions and transitional arrangements which mean that the biodiversity gain condition does not always apply. These are listed below.

Based on the information available this permission is considered to be one which will not require the approval of a biodiversity gain plan before development is begun because one or more of the statutory exemptions or transitional arrangements in the list below is/are considered to apply.

Statutory exemptions and transitional arrangements in respect of the biodiversity gain condition.

1. The application for planning permission was made before 12 February 2024.
2. The planning permission relates to development to which section 73A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (planning permission for development already carried out) applies.
3. The planning permission was granted on an application made under section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and

(i) the original planning permission to which the section 73 planning permission relates* was granted before 12 February 2024; or

(ii) the application for the original planning permission* to which the section 73 planning permission relates was made before 12 February 2024.

4. The permission which has been granted is for development which is exempt being:

4.1 Development which is not 'major development' (within the meaning of article 2(1) of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015) where:

- iv) the application for planning permission was made before 2 April 2024;
- v) planning permission is granted which has effect before 2 April 2024; or
- vi) planning permission is granted on an application made under section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 where the original permission to which the section 73 permission relates* was exempt by virtue of (i) or (ii).

4.2 Development below the de minimis threshold, meaning development which:

iii) does not impact an onsite priority habitat (a habitat specified in a list published under section 41 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006); and

iv) impacts less than 25 square metres of onsite habitat that has biodiversity value greater than zero and less than 5 metres in length of onsite linear habitat (as defined in the statutory metric).

4.6 Development which is subject of a householder application within the meaning of article 2(1) of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015. A "householder application" means an application for planning permission for development for an existing dwellinghouse, or development within the curtilage of such a dwellinghouse for any purpose incidental to the enjoyment of the dwellinghouse which is not an application for change of use or an application to change the number of dwellings in a building.

4.7 Development of a biodiversity gain site, meaning development which is undertaken solely or mainly for the purpose of fulfilling, in whole or in part, the Biodiversity Gain Planning condition which applies in relation to another development, (no account is to be taken of any facility for the public to access or to use the site for educational or recreational purposes, if that access or use is permitted without the payment of a fee).

4.8 Self and Custom Build Development, meaning development which:

- iv) consists of no more than 9 dwellings;
- v) is carried out on a site which has an area no larger than 0.5 hectares; and
- vi) consists exclusively of dwellings which are self-build or custom housebuilding (as defined in section 1(A1) of the Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015).

4.5 Development forming part of, or ancillary to, the high speed railway transport network (High Speed 2) comprising connections between all or any of the places or parts of the transport network specified in section 1(2) of the High Speed Rail (Preparation) Act 2013.

* “original planning permission means the permission to which the section 73 planning permission relates” means a planning permission which is the first in a sequence of two or more planning permissions, where the second and any subsequent planning permissions are section 73 planning permissions.

Irreplaceable habitat

If the onsite habitat includes irreplaceable habitat (within the meaning of the Biodiversity Gain Requirements (Irreplaceable Habitat) Regulations 2024) there are additional requirements for the content and approval of Biodiversity Gain Plans.

The Biodiversity Gain Plan must include, in addition to information about steps taken or to be taken to minimise any adverse effect of the development on the habitat, information on arrangements for compensation for any impact the development has on the biodiversity of the irreplaceable habitat.

The planning authority can only approve a Biodiversity Gain Plan if satisfied that the adverse effect of the development on the biodiversity of the irreplaceable habitat is minimised and appropriate arrangements have been made for the purpose of compensating for any impact which do not include the use of biodiversity credits.

The effect of section 73D of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990

If planning permission is granted on an application made under section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (application to develop land without compliance with conditions previously attached) and a Biodiversity Gain Plan was approved in relation to the previous planning permission (“the earlier Biodiversity Gain Plan”) there are circumstances when the earlier Biodiversity Gain Plan is regarded as approved for the purpose of discharging the biodiversity gain condition subject to which the section 73 planning permission is granted.

Those circumstances are that the conditions subject to which the section 73 permission is granted:

- i) do not affect the post-development value of the onsite habitat as specified in the earlier Biodiversity Gain Plan, and

ii) in the case of planning permission for a development where all or any part of the onsite habitat is irreplaceable habitat the conditions do not change the effect of the development on the biodiversity of that onsite habitat (including any arrangements made to compensate for any such effect) as specified in the earlier Biodiversity Gain Plan.

Signed:

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On behalf of the Council

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