



**North
Herts
Council**

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Application for Consent to Display an Advertisement(s)

Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisement) (England) Regulations 2007 (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

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

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

First name

Surname

Company Name

Address

Address line 1

Address line 2

Address line 3

Town/City

County

Country

Postcode

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Contact Details

Primary number

Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

Type of Proposed Advertisement(s)

Please describe the proposed advertisement(s)

Painted existing timber fascia with vinyl stickered signage and hanging metal sign for the office of Alistair Strathern MP in dark red colour (Dulux weatherproof in the colour Monarch) with white lettering to read: "Alistair Strathern MP"

Advertisement Type:

Fascia Sign

Height:

0.5 metres

Width:

3.5 metres

Depth:

0.5 metres

What is the height from the ground to the base of the advertisement?:

4 metres

What is the maximum projection of the advertisement from the face of the building?:

0.5 metres

What is the maximum height of any of the individual letters and symbols?:

50 centimetres

What materials will the advertisement be made of?:

Metal

The colour of text and background:

White text, dark red background

Will the advertisement be illuminated?:

Advertisement Type:

Projecting or Hanging Sign

Height:

0.5 metres

Width:

0.5 metres

Depth:

0.5 metres

What is the height from the ground to the base of the advertisement?:

4 metres

What is the maximum projection of the advertisement from the face of the building?:

1 metres

What is the maximum height of any of the individual letters and symbols?:

50 centimetres

What materials will the advertisement be made of?:

Metal

The colour of text and background:

White text, dark red background

Will the advertisement be illuminated?:

Location of Advertisement(s)

Is the advertisement(s) you are applying for already in place?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Is an existing advertisement(s) to be removed and replaced by the advertisement(s) in this proposal?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No
☐ Not Applicable

Will the proposed advertisement(s) project over a footpath or other public highway?

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

Advertisement(s) Period

Please state the period of time for which consent is sought for the advertisement

From Date

15/04/2025

To Date

15/04/2035

Neighbour and Community Consultation

Have you consulted your neighbours or the local community about the proposal?

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

If Yes, please provide details

Hitchin town residents have commented that with a lack of signage, Alistair Strathern MP's office is currently difficult to find. The proposals have been discussed with members of the local community, including neighbours, who have favoured the simple advertisements proposed to make the office easy to find and accessible, while remaining inkeeping with other signage designs for shop-fronts in the neighbourhood.

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

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

Date (must be pre-application submission)

27/02/2025

Details of the pre-application advice received

The officer advised that an application for listed building works would be required for the timber painting, which has now been submitted, and an advertising application would be needed for the signage. It was advised that a simple design would be most appropriate for the historic nature of the building, and plans have been shaped in line with this advice.

Interest In the Land

Does the applicant own the land or buildings where the adverts are to be placed?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

If No, has the permission of the owner or any other person entitled to give permission for the display of an advertisement been obtained?

- ☒ 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

If yes, please provide details of their name, role, and how they are related:

***** REDACTED *****

Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Consent to display an advertisement 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

Alex Porter

Date

15/04/2025