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Response to Planning application from Hertfordshire County Council (T and CP GDP Order 2015)

Director of Planning

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Hertfordshire
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District ref: 25/01361/FP
HCC ref: NH/25298/2025
HCC received: 5 June 2025
Area manager: Manjinder Sehmi
Case officer: Shamsul Huda

Location

WHITE HOUSE ASHWELL ROAD NEWNHAM BALDOCK SG7 5JU

Application type

Full Application

Proposal

Change of use and conversion of barn to provide one self-contained two-bed dwelling including single storey front and rear extensions, side porch extension and alterations to fenestration including parking and hardscaping.

Recommendation

OTHER

Informative:

AN) New or amended vehicle crossover access (section 184): Where works are required within the public highway to facilitate a new or amended vehicular access, the Highway Authority require the construction of such works to be undertaken to their satisfaction and specification, and by a contractor who is authorised to work in the public highway. If any of the works associated with the construction of the access affects or requires the removal and/or the relocation of any equipment, apparatus or structures (e.g. street name plates, bus stop signs or shelters, statutory authority equipment etc.) the applicant will be required to bear the cost of such removal or alteration.

Before works commence the applicant will need to apply to the Highway Authority to obtain their permission, requirements and for the work to be carried out on the applicant's behalf. Further information is available via the County Council website at:

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/highways-roads-and-pavements/changes-to-your-road/dropped-kerbs/dropped-kerbs.aspx> or by telephoning 0300 1234047.

COMMENTS:

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- National Planning Policy Framework (Dec 2024).
- Hertfordshire County Council's (HCC) Local Transport Plan-4 [2018-2031, May2018]
- HCC's Place & Movement Planning Design Guidance adopted in March 2024
- Manual For Street (MfS1 2007)
- North Herts Local Planning policy [2011-2031]
- HCC's Residential Dropped Kerbs Policy 2024

The application seeks the views of the highway to create off road parking and dropped kerb from Canham Close. Canham Close is an unclassified road type -U. the speed limit is restricted to 30mph.

In accordance with the Hertfordshire Couty Council's residential dropped kerb policy-2024, a planning permission is normally needed if: a) the dropped kerb is off a classified road (A, B or C road) b) the dropped kerb is to a commercial site, flats or maisonettes.

Therefore, Canham Close, being as an unclassified road, the applicant is advised to apply for a dropped kerb via HCC's website. Upon receipt of the application, the Network Management Team will assess the application and make recommendations. The dropped kerb application can be submitted via link [Dropped kerbs | Hertfordshire County Council](#).

Signed

Shamsul Huda

26 June 2025