

DELEGATED FILE NOTE

CASE OFFICER: ...Andrew Hunter.....

APPLICATION REFERENCE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	APPLICATION SITE
24/02680/LDCP	Alterations to existing garage to facilitate conversion to home office	Maran Cottage 145 High Street Codicote Hertfordshire SG4 8UB

Submitted Plan Nos

Location Plan RLS-05.1-Rev P1

1.0 Policies

2.0 **Relevant Site History**

2.1 None.

3.0 **Representations**

3.1 None consulted.

4.0 **Planning Considerations**

4.1 **Site and Surroundings**

4.1.1 The site comprises a detached two storey dwelling with an outbuilding at the rear.

4.2 **Proposal**

4.2.1 A Certificate of Lawfulness (proposed) is sought for the conversion of the outbuilding to be used as a home offices with WC, and storage. New external cladding and alterations to openings are also proposed.

4.3 **Key Issues**

4.3.1 The key issues for consideration are whether the proposed development would require a specific planning permission or be considered 'permitted development' in line with the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015, Schedule 2, Part 1, Class E, as amended. Class E permitted development rights have not been removed by Condition.

4.3.2 E.1 Development is not permitted by Class E if—

(a) permission to use the dwellinghouse as a dwellinghouse has been granted only by virtue of Class M, N, P, PA or Q of Part 3 of this Schedule (changes of use);

The property was originally built as a dwellinghouse and so complies with this criterion.

(b) the total area of ground covered by buildings, enclosures and containers within the curtilage (other than the original dwellinghouse) would exceed 50% of the total area of the curtilage (excluding the ground area of the original dwellinghouse);

The total area of ground covered by buildings, enclosures and containers within the curtilage, would not exceed 50% of the total area of the curtilage and so complies with this criterion.

(c) any part of the building, enclosure, pool or container would be situated on land forward of a wall forming the principal elevation of the original dwellinghouse;

The outbuilding is sited in the rear garden and is not situated on land forward of a wall forming the principal elevation of the original dwellinghouse, and so complies with this criterion.

(d) the building would have more than a single storey;

The proposal is single storey and so complies with this criterion.

(e) the height of the building, enclosure or container would exceed—

(i) 4 metres in the case of a building with a dual-pitched roof,

(ii) 2.5 metres in the case of a building, enclosure or container within 2 metres of the boundary of the curtilage of the dwellinghouse, or

(iii) 3 metres in any other case;

The height of the building would not be altered, and so complies with this criterion.

(f) the height of the eaves of the building would exceed 2.5 metres;

The height of the eaves would not exceed 2.5m and so complies with this criterion.

(g) the building, enclosure, pool or container would be situated within the curtilage of a listed building;

The property is not a listed building and so complies with this criterion.

(h) it would include the construction or provision of a verandah, balcony or raised platform;

The proposal does not include any of the above and so complies with this criterion.

(i) it relates to a dwelling or a microwave antenna; or

The proposal relates to an outbuilding in the garden of a dwelling and so complies with this criterion.

(j) the capacity of the container would exceed 3,500 litres.

The proposal does not relate to a container and so complies with this criterion.

E.2 In the case of any land within the curtilage of the dwellinghouse which is within—

(a) an area of outstanding natural beauty;

(b) the Broads;

(c) a National Park; or

(d) a World Heritage Site,

development is not permitted by Class E if the total area of ground covered by buildings, enclosures, pools and containers situated more than 20 metres from any wall of the dwellinghouse would exceed 10 square metres.

The proposal complies with this criterion.

E.3 In the case of any land within the curtilage of the dwellinghouse which is article 2(3) land, development is not permitted by Class E if any part of the building, enclosure, pool or container would be situated on land between a wall forming a side elevation of the dwellinghouse and the boundary of the curtilage of the dwellinghouse.

The proposal complies with this criterion.

E.4 For the purposes of Class E, “purpose incidental to the enjoyment of the dwellinghouse as such” includes the keeping of poultry, bees, pet animals, birds or other livestock for the domestic needs or personal enjoyment of the occupants of the dwellinghouse

The proposal is considered to comprise uses incidental to the enjoyment of the dwellinghouse, and complies with this criterion.

4.4 Conclusion

- 4.4.1 A Certificate of Lawfulness (proposed) can be issued on the basis that the proposed ‘Alterations to existing garage to facilitate conversion to home office’ constitutes permitted development by virtue of Class E, Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended).

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Determining Officer Date: 13 January 2025	