**DECISION NOTICE**

Application (full) for planning permission.

*Town and Country Planning Act 1990*

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<td><strong>Proposal:</strong></td>
<td>Demolition of existing part two storey, part single storey buildings and the construction of 9 residential apartments with associated parking and Landscaping.</td>
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Your application received 3rd September 2019 and registered on 3rd September 2019 has been **GRANTED** subject to the conditions overleaf.

Assistant Director
Planning, Development and Regeneration
Dacorum Borough Council
**Condition(s) and Reason(s):**

1. The development hereby permitted shall begin before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

   **Reason:** To comply with the requirements of Section 91 (1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, as amended by Section 51 (1) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

2. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans/documents:

   - 181-SPH07110 P3
   - 181-SPH07111 P3
   - 181-SPH01712 P3
   - 181-SPH07010 P2
   - 181-SPH07113 P3
   - 181-SPH07210 P3
   - 181-SPH07211 P3

   **Reason:** For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper planning.

3. No construction of the superstructure shall take place until full details of both hard and soft landscape works has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. These details shall include:

   - all external hard surfaces within the site;
   - other surfacing materials;
   - means of enclosure;
   - soft landscape works including a planting scheme with the number, size, species and position of trees, plants and shrubs;
   - minor artefacts and structures (e.g. furniture, play equipment, signs, refuse or other storage units, etc.); and

   The planting must be carried out within one planting season of completing the development.

   Any tree or shrub which forms part of the approved landscaping scheme which within a period of 5 years from planting fails to become established, becomes seriously damaged or diseased, dies or for any reason is removed shall be replaced in the next planting season by a tree or shrub of a species, size and maturity.

   **Reason:** To improve the appearance of the development and its contribution to biodiversity and the local environment, as required by saved Policy 99 of the Dacorum Borough Local Plan (2004) and Policy CS12 (e) of the Dacorum Borough Council Core Strategy (2013).
4. No development shall take place until a Construction Management Plan has been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The statement shall provide for:

- the parking of vehicles of site operatives, contractors and visitors;
- loading and unloading of plant and materials;
- storage of plant and materials used in constructing the development;
- construction access arrangements;
- wheel washing facilities;
- measures to control dust and dirt during construction;

The details shall include a plan showing the proposed location of these areas. The approved statement shall be adhered to throughout the construction period.

Reason: To minimise danger, obstruction and inconvenience to users of the highway in accordance with saved Policy 51 of the Dacorum Borough Local Plan (2004). The details are required before commencement of development as it is necessary to ensure that the measures are planned and in place at the start of construction.

5. The development shall not be brought into use until the new vehicle crossover has been constructed to the current specification of the Highway Authority and to the Local Planning Authority's satisfaction.

Reason: In the interest of highway safety and amenity and to ensure the development makes adequate provision for on-site parking and manoeuvring of vehicles likely to be associated with its use in accordance with Saved Policies 51 and 58 of the Local Plan (2004)

6. Upon completion of the development, unused access points not incorporated in the development hereby permitted shall be stopped up by raising the existing dropped kerb and reinstating the footway and highway boundary to the same line, level and detail as the adjoining footway verge and highway boundary.

Reason: To limit the number of access points along the site boundary for the safety and convenience of the highway user in accordance with Saved Policies 51 and 58 of the Local Plan (2004)

7. Visibility splays of not less than 2.4m x 43m shall be provided, and thereafter maintained, in both directions from the new access, within which there shall be no obstruction to visibility between a height of 0.6m and 2m above the carriageway.

Reason: In the interest of highway safety and free and safe flow of traffic in accordance with Saved Policies 51 and 58 of the Local Plan (2004)

8. Pedestrian visibility splays of .65m x .65m shall be provided, and thereafter maintained, on each side of both accesses, within which there shall be no obstruction to visibility between 0.6m and 2m above the footway.
Reason: In the interest of highway safety in accordance with Saved Policies 51 and 58 of the Local Plan (2004)

9. The development shall not be occupied until the access and car parking areas have been constructed and surfaced. The car parking areas so provided shall be maintained as a permanent ancillary to the development and shall be used for no other purpose at any time.

Reason: To ensure that adequate parking is provided at all times so that the development does not prejudice the free flow of traffic or the conditions of general safety along the adjacent highway, or the amenities and convenience of existing local residents and businesses in accordance with Saved Policies 51, 58 and Saved Appendix 5 of the Local Plan (2004).

10. Before the premises are occupied all on site vehicular areas shall be surfaced in a manner to the Local Planning Authority's approval (through the submission of hard and soft landscaping details prior to commencement) so as to ensure satisfactory parking of vehicles outside highway limits. Arrangements shall be made for surface water from the site to be intercepted and disposed of separately so that it does not discharge into the highway.

Reason: In order to minimise danger, obstruction, and inconvenience to users of the highway and of the premises in accordance with Saved Policy 58 of the Local Plan and Policy 31 of the Core Strategy (2013).

11. (a) No development approved by this permission shall be commenced prior to the submission to, and agreement of the Local Planning Authority of a written preliminary environmental risk assessment (Phase I) report containing a Conceptual Site Model that indicates sources, pathways and receptors. It should identify the current and past land uses of this site (and adjacent sites) with view to determining the presence of contamination likely to be harmful to human health and the built and natural environment.

(b) If the Local Planning Authority is of the opinion that the report which discharges condition (a), above, indicates a reasonable likelihood of harmful contamination then no development approved by this permission shall be commenced until a Site Investigation (Phase II environmental risk assessment) report has been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority which includes:

(i) A full identification of the location and concentration of all pollutants on this site and the presence of relevant receptors, and;
(ii) The results from the application of an appropriate risk assessment methodology.

(c) No development approved by this permission (other than that necessary for the discharge of this condition) shall be commenced until a Remediation Method Statement report; if required as a result of (b), above; has been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority.

(d) This site shall not be occupied, or brought into use, until:
(i) All works which form part of the Remediation Method Statement report pursuant to the discharge of condition (c) above have been fully completed and if required a formal agreement is submitted that commits to ongoing monitoring and/or maintenance of the remediation scheme.

(ii) A Remediation Verification Report confirming that the site is suitable for use has been submitted to, and agreed by, the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure that the issue of contamination is adequately addressed and to ensure a satisfactory development, in accordance with Core Strategy (2013) Policy CS32.

12. Any contamination, other than that reported by virtue of Condition 11 encountered during the development of this site shall be brought to the attention of the Local Planning Authority as soon as practically possible; a scheme to render this contamination harmless shall be submitted to and agreed by, the Local Planning Authority and subsequently fully implemented prior to the occupation of this site. Works shall be temporarily suspended, unless otherwise agreed in writing during this process because the safe development and secure occupancy of the site lies with the developer.

Reason: To ensure that the issue of contamination is adequately addressed and to ensure a satisfactory development, in accordance with Core Strategy (2013) Policy CS32.

Informatives:

1. Planning permission has been granted for this proposal. The Council acted pro-actively through positive engagement with the applicant during the determination process which led to improvements to the scheme. The Council has therefore acted pro-actively in line with the requirements of the Framework (paragraph 38) and in accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) (Amendment No. 2) Order 2015.

2. Waste comments
As required by Building regulations part H paragraph 2.36, Thames Water requests that the Applicant should incorporate within their proposal, protection to the property to prevent sewage flooding, by installing a positive pumped device (or equivalent reflecting technological advances), on the assumption that the sewerage network may surcharge to ground level during storm conditions. If as part of the basement development there is a proposal to discharge ground water to the public network, this would require a Groundwater Risk Management Permit from Thames Water. Any discharge made without a permit is deemed illegal and may result in prosecution under the provisions of the Water Industry Act 1991. We would expect the developer to demonstrate what measures will be undertaken to minimise groundwater discharges into the public sewer. Permit enquiries should be directed to Thames Water's Risk Management Team by telephoning 02035779483 or by emailing wwqriskmanagement@thameswater.co.uk. Application forms should be completed on line via www.thameswater.co.uk. Please refer to the Wholesale; Business customers; Groundwater discharges section.
As you are redeveloping a site, there may be public sewers crossing or close to your development. If you discover a sewer, it's important that you minimize the risk of damage. We'll need to check that your development doesn't limit repair or maintenance activities, or inhibit the services we provide in any other way. The applicant is advised to read our guide working near or diverting our pipes. https://developers.thameswater.co.uk/Developing-a-large-site/Planning-your-development/Working-near-or-diverting-our-pipes.

We would expect the developer to demonstrate what measures will be undertaken to minimise groundwater discharges into the public sewer. Groundwater discharges typically result from construction site dewatering, deep excavations, basement infiltration, borehole installation, testing and site remediation. Any discharge made without a permit is deemed illegal and may result in prosecution under the provisions of the Water Industry Act 1991. Should the Local Planning Authority be minded to approve the planning application, Thames Water would like the following informative attached to the planning permission: "A Groundwater Risk Management Permit from Thames Water will be required for discharging groundwater into a public sewer. Any discharge made without a permit is deemed illegal and may result in prosecution under the provisions of the Water Industry Act 1991. We would expect the developer to demonstrate what measures he will undertake to minimise groundwater discharges into the public sewer. Permit enquiries should be directed to Thames Water's Risk Management Team by telephoning 020 3577 9483 or by emailing wwriskmanagement@thameswater.co.uk. Application forms should be completed on line via www.thameswater.co.uk. Please refer to the Wholsesale; Business customers; Groundwater discharges section.

With regard to SURFACE WATER drainage, Thames Water would advise that if the developer follows the sequential approach to the disposal of surface water we would have no objection. Where the developer proposes to discharge to a public sewer, prior approval from Thames Water Developer Services will be required. Should you require further information please refer to our website. https://developers.thameswater.co.uk/Developing-a-large-site/Apply-and-pay-for-services/Wastewater-services

Thames Water would advise that with regard to WASTE WATER NETWORK and SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS infrastructure capacity, we would not have any objection to the above planning application, based on the information provided.

Thames Water would recommend that petrol / oil interceptors be fitted in all car parking/washing/repair facilities. Failure to enforce the effective use of petrol / oil interceptors could result in oil-polluted discharges entering local watercourses.

Water comments
If you are planning on using mains water for construction purposes, it's important you let Thames Water know before you start using it, to avoid potential fines for improper usage. More information and how to apply can be found online at thameswater.co.uk/buildingwater.
On the basis of information provided, Thames Water would advise that with regard to water network and water treatment infrastructure capacity, we would not have any objection to the above planning application. Thames Water recommends the following informative be attached to this planning permission. Thames Water will aim to provide customers with a minimum pressure of 10m head (approx 1 bar) and a flow rate of 9 litres/minute at the point where it leaves Thames Waters pipes. The developer should take account of this minimum pressure in the design of the proposed development.

3. Obstruction of public highway land: It is an offence under section 137 of the Highways Act 1980 for any person, without lawful authority or excuse, in any way to wilfully obstruct the free passage along a highway or public right of way. If this development is likely to result in the public highway or public right of way network becoming routinely blocked (fully or partly) the applicant must contact the Highway Authority to obtain their permission and requirements before construction works commence. Further information is available via the website: http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/transtreets/highways/ or by telephoning 0300 1234047.

2. Road Deposits: It is an offence under section 148 of the Highways Act 1980 to deposit mud or other debris on the public highway, and section 149 of the same Act gives the Highway Authority powers to remove such material at the expense of the party responsible. Therefore, best practical means shall be taken at all times to ensure that all vehicles leaving the site during construction of the development are in a condition such as not to emit dust or deposit mud, slurry or other debris on the highway. Further information is available via the website http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/transtreets/highways/ or by telephoning 0300 1234047

3. Storage of materials: The applicant is advised that the storage of materials associated with the construction of this development should be provided within the site on land which is not public highway, and the use of such areas must not interfere with the public highway. If this is not possible, authorisation should be sought from the Highway Authority before construction works commence. Further information is available via the website https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/highways-roads-and-pavements/business-and-developer-information/business-and-developer-information.aspx.

4. The Highway Authority requires the alterations to or the construction of the vehicle crossovers to be undertaken such that the works are carried out to their 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 and requirements. The applicant may need to apply to Highways (Telephone 0300
1234047) to arrange this, or use link:-
https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/droppedkerbs/

4. The above conditions relating to contamination are considered to be in line
with paragraphs 170 (e) & (f) and 178 and 179 of the NPPF 2019.

The Environmental Health Team has a web-page that aims to provide advice
to potential developers, which includes a copy of a Planning Advice Note on
"Development on Potentially Contaminated Land and/or for a Sensitive Land
Use" in use across Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire. This can be found on
www.dacorum.gov.uk by searching for contaminated land and I would be
grateful if this fact could be passed on to the developers.
Notes:

Appeal to the Planning Inspectorate

If you are aggrieved by the decision of your local planning authority to refuse permission for the proposed development or to grant it subject to conditions, then you can appeal to the Secretary of State under section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

Before making any appeal you should first consider re-engaging with the local planning authority to discuss whether any changes to the proposal would make it more acceptable and likely to gain planning permission. A revised planning application could then be submitted.

Applicants should give consideration to the merits of the case, and whether there are strong grounds to contest the conditions or reasons for refusal of planning permission before submitting an appeal. Parties who pursue an appeal unreasonably without sound grounds for appeal may have an award of costs made against them.

Most planning appeals must be received within six months of the date on the decision notice. Where the appeal relates to an application for householder planning consent, and is to be determined via the fast track Householder Appeals Service, there are only 12 weeks to make the appeal. Appeals related to shop fronts must also be submitted within 12 weeks. Advertisement consent appeals must be submitted within 8 weeks. If an appeal on an application for planning permission is linked to enforcement action, there are only 28 days to make the appeal.

Appeals can be made online at: https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate. If you are unable to access the online appeal form, please contact the Planning Inspectorate to obtain a paper copy of the appeal form on telephone: 0303 444 5000.

Compensation

In certain circumstances, compensation may be claimed for the Borough Council if permission is refused, or granted subject to conditions, by the Secretary of State on appeal or on reference of an application to him. These circumstances are set out in Parts VI and VIII and related provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and Part 1 Chapter III of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.

Purchase Notices

If either the Local Planning Authority or the Secretary of State refuses permission/consent to develop land, or grants it subject to conditions, the owner may claim that he can neither put the land to a reasonably beneficial use in its existing state, nor render the land capable of a reasonably beneficial use, by the carrying out of any development or works that have been or would be permitted.

In these circumstances, the owner may serve a purchase notice on the Borough Council. This notice will require the Council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part VI, Chapter I of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and Part I, Chapter III of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

Dacorum Borough Council is a Charging Authority for Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). It is your responsibility to clarify the CIL liability on your development. The Council will make every effort to ensure that notices for liable developments are dispatched as soon as possible following planning permission or consent being granted. If you do not receive a liability notice please contact the Council. It is important that all CIL matters be in place before any works begin on site – including any demolition. Further information regarding CIL, including FAQs, access to all CIL forms and information on appeals can be found on our website at www.dacorum.gov.uk/cil or you can contact us at CIL@dacorum.gov.uk.
Building Regulations

The proposed works may require building regulations approval. Please contact Dacorum Borough Council’s Building Control Department who can help you through the process. They can be contacted via telephone (01442 228 587) or email (building.control@dacorum.gov.uk).

Creating New Addresses

If you are creating a new commercial or residential postal address, you must notify the Council’s Address Management Team when works are commenced. This can be done online or by emailing address.management@dacorum.gov.uk.

Pollution Act

When arranging building works both the employer and the builder are responsible for works being undertaken within the hours of construction of the Control of Pollution Act 1974. Further information can be found on our website.