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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED).

NOTICE OF GRANT OF PLANNING PERMISSION

**This Permission is Subject to a Section 106 Agreement**

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FAO: Mr Chris Johnson

**APPLICATION No: 4/23/2314/0F1**

**ERECTION OF A DISCOUNT FOOD STORE WITH ASSOCIATED ACCESS,  
PARKING, HARD AND SOFT LANDSCAPING AND ASSOCIATED WORKS  
LAND AT PRESTON STREET, PRESTON STREET, WHITEHAVEN**

**Aldi Stores Ltd**

The above application dated 31/10/2023 has been considered by the Council in pursuance of its powers under the above mentioned Act and PLANNING PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED subject to the following conditions:

1. The development hereby permitted shall begin not later than three years from the date of this decision.

Reason

To comply with the requirements of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended by Section 51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

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

Design and Access Statement (Projekt Architects)

Preliminary Ecological Appraisal & Biodiversity Net Gain Report - Proposed Aldi, Whitehaven - Version 2 (Total Ecology)

Transport Assessment – Proposed Aldi Foodstore Relocation, Preston Street, Whitehaven - Project no: 48013 - (Andrew Moseley Associates)

Highways Technical Note - Proposed Aldi Foodstore Relocation, Preston Street, Whitehaven - 19th January 2024

Highways Technical Note - Proposed Aldi Foodstore Relocation, Preston Street, Whitehaven - 12th April 2024

Interim Travel Plan - Proposed Aldi Foodstore, Preston Street, Whitehaven – Project No.45031 - (Andrew Moseley Associates)

Noise Impact Assessment - Our Reference – J3242 Revision - 1 (Paul Horsley Acoustics Ltd)

Air Quality Impact Assessment - Report Reference: NJD23-0140-002R – Final v2 - (NJD Environmental)

Aldi Stores Limited – Sustainability Statement – January 2023

Arboricultural Impact Assessment For Trees On Land Adjacent to Preston Street, Whitehaven (All About Trees)

Drawing No. AMS EXI – Existing Trees Shown On Existing Layout (All About Trees)

Drawing No. AIA TPP - Tree Protection Plan (All About Trees)

Arboricultural Method Statement For Trees On Land Adjacent to Preston Street, Whitehaven (All About Trees)

Drawing No. AMS TPP - Tree Protection Plan (All About Trees)

Archaeological Desk-Based Assessment - Proposed Aldi Preston Street Whitehaven - Report 6070

Phase 1 Geo-Environmental Assessment – Report Ref. P18-2351 Issue 1- (3E Consulting Engineers)

Preliminary Risk Assessment and Ground Investigation Report - Contract No. E12964/1B – Issue 1 - (DTS Raeburn)

Geo-environmental Appraisal & Coal Mining Risk Assessment – Report Ref. P18-351/GA Issue 1 - (3E Consulting Engineers)

Flood Risk Assessment and Drainage Strategy – Preston Street, Whitehaven - Document Ref: P18-351-HYD-XX-XX-RP-C-0500 - (Hydrock)

Drawing No. 0470-PA-XX-00-DR-A-PM\_40\_50-21-0001-S4-P01 - Location Plan (Projekt Architects)

Drawing No. 0470-PA-XX-00-DR-A-PM\_40-50-21-0002-S4-P03 - Proposed Site Plan (Projekt Architects)

Drawing No. 0470-PA-XX-00-DR-A-PM\_40-50-21-0003-S4-P02 - Proposed Floor Plan (Projekt Architects)

Drawing No. 0470-PA-XX-00-DR-A-PM\_40-50-21-0003-S4-P01 - Proposed Roof Plan (Projekt Architects)

Drawing No. 0470-PA-XX-00-DR-A-PM\_40-50-21-0005-S4-P02 - Proposed Elevations (Projekt Architects)

Drawing No. 0470-PA-XX-00-DR-A-PM\_40-50-21-0006-S4-P01 - Proposed Site Plan - Constraints (Projekt Architects)

Drawing No. 0470-PA-XX-00-DR-A-PM\_40-50-21-0007-S4-P01 - Proposed Site Section (Projekt Architects)

#### Reason

For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper planning.

### Pre-Commencement Planning Conditions

#### *Highways*

3. No development shall commence until details, including longitudinal/cross sections of the carriageway, footways, footpaths have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Any works so approved shall be constructed in accordance with the approved details before the development is complete.

#### Reason

To ensure a minimum standard of construction in the interests of highway safety in accordance with the provisions of Policy CO4 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

4. No development shall commence until visibility splays providing clear visibility of 43 metres measured 2.4 metres down the centre of the access road and the nearside channel line of the carriageway edge have been provided at the junction of the access road with the public highway as shown on: Drawing No. AMA/48013/SK001 - Visibility Splay Analysis.

Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) (or any Order revoking and re-enacting that Order) relating to permitted development, no structure, vehicle or object of any kind shall be erected, parked or placed and no trees, bushes or other plants shall be planted or be permitted to grow within the visibility splay which obstruct the visibility splays.

The visibility splays shall be constructed before general development of the site commences so that construction traffic is safeguarded.

Reason

In the interests of highway safety in accordance with the provisions of Policy CO4 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

5. No development shall commence until full design details of a scheme for highway modifications to Preston Street have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason

In the interests of highway safety in accordance with the provisions of Policy CO4 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039

*Archaeology*

6. No development shall commence until the implementation of a programme of archaeological work in accordance with a written scheme of investigation which has first been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority has been secured.

The written scheme of investigation must include the following components:

- i) An archaeological evaluation; and,
- ii) An archaeological recording programme the scope of which will be dependent upon the results of the evaluation.

Reason

To afford reasonable opportunity for an examination to be made to determine the existence of any remains of archaeological interest within the site and for the examination and recording of such remains in accordance with the provisions of Policy BE3 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

*Ground Conditions*

7. No above ground development shall commence until:

- a) a scheme of further intrusive investigations has been carried out on site to establish the risks posed to the development by past shallow coal mining activity; and,

b) any remediation works and/or mitigation measures to address land instability arising from coal mining legacy, as may be necessary, have been implemented on site in full in order to ensure that the site is made safe and stable for the development proposed.

The intrusive site investigations and remedial works shall be carried out in accordance with authoritative UK guidance.

#### Reason

To ensure the safety and stability of the development, in accordance with the provisions of Policy DS8 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

#### *Construction Management*

8. No development shall commence until a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

The CEMP shall include:

- details of the means of access and parking for construction traffic and vehicles;
- procedures for the loading and unloading of plant and materials;
- hours of delivery;
- details of the storage of plant and materials used in construction;
- details of measures to control dust, emissions, sediments and pollutants arising from the development;
- a scheme for recycling/disposing of waste resulting from construction works; and,
- measures to control noise and vibration.

The approved CEMP shall be adhered to throughout the construction period.

#### Reason

To protect amenity and to protect the environment from pollution in accordance with Policy DS9 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

9. No development shall commence until a Construction Surface Water Management Plan (CSWMP) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

The CSWMP shall include:

- details of measures to control surface water flows and prevent flooding during the construction period; and,

- measures to prevent the discharge of sediments and pollutants to the existing watercourses.

The approved CSWMP shall be adhered to throughout the construction period.

#### Reason

To safeguard against flooding to surrounding sites and to safeguard against pollution of surrounding watercourses and drainage systems in accordance with the provisions of Strategic Policy DS6, Policy DS7 and Policy DS8 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

#### *United Utilities Asset Protection*

10. No development shall commencement until details of the means of ensuring the 600x800mm public combined sewer that is laid within the site boundary is protected from damage as a result of the development (including the proposed level changes and connections to this sewer) have been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority.

The details shall outline the potential impacts from construction activities and the impacts post completion of the development on the public sewer that crosses the site and identify mitigation measures to protect and prevent any damage to the pipeline both during construction and post completion of the development.

The development shall be completed in accordance with the approved details.

#### Reason

To ensure protection of essential services and safeguard against flooding in accordance with the provisions of Policy DS4 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

#### *Landscaping*

11. Notwithstanding the submitted details, no development shall commence until a detailed scheme of soft landscape works has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

These shall include planting plans; written specifications (including cultivation and other operations associated with plant and grass establishment); schedules of plants, noting species, plant sizes and proposed numbers / densities; an implementation programme and a five-year maintenance plan.

The agreed scheme shall be carried out as approved to the agreed timetable.

Any trees / shrubs which are removed, die, become severely damaged or diseased within five years of their planting shall be replaced in the next planting season with trees / shrubs of similar size and species to those originally required to be planted.

#### Reason

To safeguard and enhance the character of the area and secure high quality landscaping in accordance with the provisions of Policy DS5 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

12. Prior to the occupation of the development hereby approved a Biodiversity Net Gain Strategy (BNGS) and a Project Implementation Plan (PIP) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

The BNGS shall detail proposals to redress loss of biodiversity and the mitigation strategy proposed shall include all on and off-site habitats required to deliver a net gain of at least ten percent. The BNGS shall use the Statutory Biodiversity Metric Calculation Tool associated with the Environment Act 2021.

The PIP shall detail the delivery of ecological BNG mitigation and compensation, in accordance with the approved BNG strategy. The PIP shall include timescales for implementation, and an ongoing management and maintenance plan.

The BNGS and PIP shall be implemented, managed and maintained in accordance with the approved details.

#### Reason

To ensure delivery of the required biodiversity net gain in accordance with the provisions of Policy N3P of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

### Pre-Occupation

#### *Highways*

13. Prior to the occupation of the development hereby approved the modifications to the public highway at Preston Street shall be completed in accordance with the approved details.

#### Reason

In the interests of highway safety in accordance with the provisions of Policy CO4 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

14. Prior to the occupation of the development hereby approved, the approved access and parking requirements shall be constructed in accordance with the approved plans and details.

The access and or parking provision shall be retained and be capable of use when the development is completed and shall be retained for the lifetime of the development.

#### Reason

To ensure a minimum standard of access provision when the development is brought into use in accordance with the provisions of Policy CO4 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

#### *Ground Conditions*

15. Prior to the occupation of the development hereby approved a signed statement or declaration prepared by a suitably competent person confirming that the site is, or has been made, safe and stable for the approved development shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

This document shall confirm the methods and findings of the intrusive site investigations and the completion of any remedial works and/or mitigation necessary to address the risks posed by past coal mining activity.

#### Reason

To ensure the safety and stability of the development, in accordance with the provisions of Policy Policy DS8 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

#### *Drainage*

16. Prior to occupation of the development hereby approved the approved scheme of foul and surface water drainage infrastructure shall be completed and brought into operational use.



Once completed and brought into operational use, the surface water drainage infrastructure shall be retained operational for the lifetime of the development.

#### Reason

To ensure that management arrangements are in place for the sustainable drainage system in order to manage the risk of flooding and pollution during the lifetime of the development in accordance with the provisions of Strategic Policy DS6, Policy DS7 and Policy DS8 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

#### *Noise*

17. Prior to the occupation of the development hereby approved the acoustic mitigation scheme detailed in Noise Impact Assessment for the Proposed New ALDI Retail Store at Preston Street, Whitehaven Planning Application No 4/23/2314/0F1 Our Reference – J3242 Revision - 1 shall be implemented in full.

The mitigation measures shall be retained in good working condition for the lifetime of the development.

#### Reason

To protect amenity of nearby residential dwellings in accordance with the provisions of Policy DS4 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

#### *External Lighting and CCTV*

18. No external lighting shall be installed unless or until a scheme of external lighting has first been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

The scheme shall include details of the intensity of illumination and predicted lighting spill contours.

All external lighting shall be installed in accordance with the approved details and shall thereafter be retained as such for the lifetime of the development.

#### Reason

To protect residential amenity, to ensure high quality design and to protect the environment from light pollution in accordance with Policy DS4 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

19. No external closed circuit television equipment shall be installed unless or until a scheme of closed circuit television equipment has first been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

All closed circuit television equipment shall be installed in accordance with the approved details and shall thereafter be retained as such for the lifetime of the development.

#### Reason

To protect residential amenity and ensure high quality design in accordance with Policy DS4 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

### Other Planning Conditions

#### *Highways*

20. Dropped kerbs shall be provided on each side of every junction to enable wheelchairs, pushchairs etc. to be safely manoeuvred at kerb lines.

Any works so approved shall be constructed in accordance with the approved details before the development is complete.

#### Reason

To ensure that pedestrians and people with impaired mobility can negotiate road junctions in relative safety in accordance with the provisions of Policy DS4 and Policy CO4 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

21. Within 6 months of the development hereby permitted (or any part thereof) opening for business, a Final Travel Plan shall be submitted and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

The Final Travel Plan shall identify the measures that will be undertaken by the developer/occupant to encourage the achievement of a modal shift away from the use of private cars to visit the development to sustainable transport modes.

The measures identified in the Final Travel Plan shall be implemented by the developer/occupant within 12 months of the development (or any part thereof) opening for business.

#### Reason

To aid in the delivery of sustainable transport objectives in accordance with the provisions of CO5 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

22. The developer/occupant shall submit to the Local Planning Authority for review the following as defined in the Interim Travel Plan - Proposed Aldi Foodstore, Preston Street, Whitehaven:

- i. The survey of staff completed one month before relocation from the existing store to establish existing travel patterns;
- ii. The follow up travel survey to be undertaken 6 months post relocation from the existing store to establish how, if at all, travel patterns have changed; and,
- iii. Four subsequent annual reviews of the Final Travel Plan.

The annual review of the Final Travel Plan shall review the effectiveness of the Travel Plan and include any necessary amendments or measures.

#### Reason

To aid in the delivery of sustainable transport objectives in accordance with the provisions of CO5 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

#### *Archaeology*

23. Where significant archaeological remains are revealed by the approved programme of archaeological work, there shall be carried out within one year of the completion of that programme on site, or within such timescale as otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority: an archaeological post-excavation assessment and analysis, the preparation of a site archive ready for deposition at a store, the completion of an archive report, and the preparation and submission of a report of the results for publication in a suitable specialist journal.

#### Reason

To ensure that a permanent and publicly accessible record is made of the archaeological remains that have been disturbed by the development in accordance with the provisions of Policy BE3 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

#### *Ground Conditions*

24. In the event that contamination is found at any time when carrying out the approved development that was not previously identified it must be reported in writing within 14 days to the Local Planning Authority and once the Local Planning Authority has identified the part of the site affected by the unexpected contamination, development must be halted on that part of the site.

An assessment must be undertaken and where remediation is necessary a remediation scheme, together with a timetable for its implementation, must be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

The measures in the approved remediation scheme must then be implemented in accordance with the approved timetable. Following completion of measures identified in the approved remediation scheme a validation report must be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

#### Reason

To prevent harm to human health and the environment in accordance with the provisions of Policy DS8 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

#### *Construction Management*

25. No work for the construction of these developments, including demolition, shall take place on the site, except between the hours:

07:30 - 18.00 Monday to Friday; and

08.00 - 13.00 on Saturdays.

No work should be carried out on Sundays or officially recognised public holidays.

#### Reason

To safeguard the amenity of neighbouring occupiers in accordance with the provisions of Policy DS4 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

#### *Arboriculture*

26. Arboricultural Method Statement For Trees On Land Adjacent To Preston Street, Whitehaven shall be implemented as approved for the duration of the construction period.

#### Reason

To ensure the protection and retention of important landscape features in accordance with the provisions of Policy DS5 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

### *Ecology*

27. The development hereby approved shall not proceed except in accordance with the recommendations outlined in Preliminary Ecological Appraisal & Biodiversity Net Gain Report Proposed Aldi, Whitehaven Avison Young & Aldi October 2023.

#### **Reason**

For the avoidance of doubt and to prevent harm to biodiversity in accordance with the provisions of Policy ENV3 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

### *Drainage*

28. Drainage of the development hereby approved shall be constructed, maintained and managed in accordance with the details outlined in Flood Risk and Drainage Assessment - Ref P18-351-HYD-XX-XXRP-C-0500 Issue P02.

For the avoidance of doubt no surface water will be permitted to drain directly or indirectly into the public sewer.

#### **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 in accordance with the provisions of Strategic Policy DS6, Policy DS7 and Policy DS8 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

### *Operating Limitations*

29. The net retail sales floorspace of the development hereby approved shall not exceed 1,150 square metres.

#### **Reason**

In order to control the precise nature and scale of the retail use and to prevent a significant adverse impact on the vitality and viability of any defined centre in accordance with the provisions of Strategic Policy R1 and Policy R8 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

30. Not more than 20% of the net retail sales floorspace of the development hereby approved shall be used for the sale of comparison goods.

Reason

In order to control the precise nature and scale of the retail use and to prevent a significant adverse impact on the vitality and viability of any defined centre in accordance with the provisions of Strategic Policy R1 and Policy R8 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

31. No additional floorspace shall be created through the use of mezzanines or other structures to increase the amount of usable floor area of the development hereby approved.

Reason

In order to control the precise nature and scale of the retail use and to prevent a significant adverse impact on the vitality and viability of any defined centre in accordance with the provisions of Strategic Policy R1 and Policy R8 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

32. The approved store shall not be open for trade except between:

- 08:00 hours to 23:00 hours – Mondays to Saturdays; and
- 09:00 hours to 18:00 hours – Sundays

Reason

To safeguard the amenity of neighbouring occupiers in accordance with the provisions of Policy DS4 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

33. The retail store hereby permitted shall be used for the sale of food and ancillary comparison goods, and for no other purpose including any other purpose in Class E1(a) of the Schedule to the Town and County Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended), or in any provision equivalent to that Class in any Statutory Instrument revoking and re-enacting that Order.

Reason

In order to control the precise nature and scale of the retail use and to prevent a significant adverse impact on the vitality and viability of any defined centre in accordance with the provisions of Strategic Policy R1 and Policy R8 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

34. The Gross Internal Area for retail purposes (Use Class E(a)) shall be a maximum of 1,916 square metres.

#### Reason

In order to control the precise nature and scale of the retail use and to prevent a significant adverse impact on the vitality and viability of any defined centre in accordance with the provisions of Strategic Policy R1 and Policy R8 of the Copeland Local Plan 2021-2039.

#### Additional Pre-commencement Planning Condition - Confirmatory Deed

*35. No development shall commence unless and until the Local Planning Authority has confirmed in writing that a "Confirmatory Deed", as defined in the Section 106 Agreement dated 25<sup>th</sup> April 2025 between Cumberland Council, Leylandii Limited, Maple Grove Developments Limited and Aldi Stores Limited has been completed, which ensures that the freehold interest subsisting in the land identified as "the Development Land", in the said Section 106 Agreement (and any mortgage or charge in respect of such interest) is subject to and bound by the provisions of that Section 106 Agreement.*

#### Reason

*To ensure that the required extent of the Application Site is bound by the Section 106 Agreement that is required to be made the development acceptable in planning terms.*

#### **Informative 1**

Pow Beck is a designated statutory main river. The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 require a permit to be obtained for any activities which will take place:

- on or within 8 metres of a main river (16 metres if tidal)
- on or within 8 metres of a flood defence structure or culverted main river (16 metres if tidal)
- on or within 16 metres of a sea defence

- involving quarrying or excavation within 16 metres of any main river, flood defence (including a remote defence) or culvert
- in the floodplain of a main river if the activity could affect flood flow or storage

For further guidance please visit <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-activitiesenvironmental-permits> or contact our National Customer Contact Centre on 03708 506 506. The applicant should not assume that a permit will automatically be forthcoming once planning permission has been granted, and we advise them to consult with us at the earliest opportunity.

## **Informative 2**

Ground Investigations and groundworks Under the Coal Industry Act 1994 any intrusive activities which disturb or enter any coal seams, coal mine workings or coal mine entries (shafts and adits) require the prior written permission of the Coal Authority since these activities can have serious public health and safety implications. Such activities could include site investigation boreholes, excavations for foundations, piling activities, other ground works and any subsequent treatment of coal mine workings and coal mine entries for ground stability purposes. Failure to obtain permission to enter or disturb our property will result in the potential for court action. Application forms for Coal Authority permission and further guidance can be obtained from The Coal Authority's website at: [www.gov.uk/get-a-permit-to-deal-with-a-coal-mine-on-your-property](http://www.gov.uk/get-a-permit-to-deal-with-a-coal-mine-on-your-property).

## **Informative 3**

Shallow coal seams In areas where shallow coal seams are present caution should be taken when carrying out any on site burning or heat focused activities.

## **Informative 4**

Any works within or near the Highway must be authorised by the Council and no works shall be permitted or carried out on any part of the Highway including Verges, until you are in receipt of an appropriate permit from the LHA Streetworks team. <https://www.cumberland.gov.uk/parking-roads-and-transport/streets-roads-and-pavements/street-licences-and-permits/street-permit-and-licence-fees-and-charges>

## **Statement**

The Local Planning Authority has acted positively and proactively in determining this application by assessing the proposal against all material considerations, including planning policies and any representations that may have been received, and subsequently determining to grant planning permission in accordance with the presumption in favour of sustainable development as set out in the National Planning Policy Framework.



Please read the accompanying notice

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N. S. Hayhurst' with a stylized flourish at the end.

Nick Hayhurst  
Head of Planning and Place  
Inclusive Growth and Placemaking

25th April 2025

**APPROVALS  
(OUTLINE, FULL RESERVED MATTERS & HOUSEHOLDER)**

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT  
PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2015**

**PART 2**

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**

**Appeals to the Secretary of State**

- 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.
- If you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 6 months of the date of this notice.
- Appeals can be made online at: <https://www.gov.uk/appeal-planning-decision> . 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 tel: 0303 444 5000.
- The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal but will not normally be prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.
- The Secretary of State need not consider an appeal if it seems to the Secretary of State that the local planning authority could not have granted planning permission for the proposed development or could not have granted it without the conditions they imposed, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of any development order and to any directions given under a development order.
- If you intend to submit an appeal that you would like examined by inquiry then you must notify the Local Planning Authority and Planning Inspectorate ([inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk](mailto:inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk)) at least 10 days before submitting the appeal. [Further details are on GOV.UK.](#)

**Purchase Notices**

- If either the Local Planning Authority or the Secretary of State refuses permission 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 which has been or would be permitted.
- In these circumstances, the owner may serve a purchase notice on the Council (District Council, London Borough Council or Common Council of the City of London) in whose area the land is situated. This notice will require the Council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part V1 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.