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Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed: Change of Use of Agricultural Buildings to Dwellinghouses (Use Class C3), and for building operations reasonably necessary for the conversion

The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) - Schedule 2, Part 3, Class Q

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	<input type="text"/>
Suffix	<input type="text"/>
Property Name	<input type="text"/>
Land and building at	<input type="text"/>
Address Line 1	<input type="text"/>
Address Line 2	<input type="text"/>
Address Line 3	<input type="text"/>
Town/city	<input type="text"/>
Postcode	<input type="text"/>

Description of site location must be completed if postcode is not known:

Easting (x)

Northing (y)

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Description

Land and building at Sandwith, Whitehaven

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

Gary

Surname

Kegg

Company Name

Address

Address line 1

Townhead Cottage

Address line 2

Sandwith

Address line 3

Town/City

Whitehaven

Country

Postcode

CA28 9UH

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Contact Details

Primary number

Secondary number

Fax number

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Agent Details

Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

Simon

Surname

Blacker

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Contact Details

Primary number

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Secondary number

Fax number

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Eligibility

Permitted development rights are subject to conditions set by legislation to ensure that only appropriate proposals are eligible. The need to apply to the Local Planning Authority to see if prior approval is required is one such condition.

The questions below will help determine if the proposals are eligible for this permitted development right.

Please note, there are further eligibility criteria that will be covered in subsequent questions.

Please note: Any new dwellinghouse will only be eligible for permitted development rights if it has a gross internal floor area of at least 37 square metres, and complies with the [nationally described space standard](#).

Was the use of the site on 20 March 2013 (or the last use before that date) solely for an agricultural use as part of an established agricultural unit?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Has any work under the permitted development rights for the erection, extension or alteration of a building reasonably necessary for the purposes of agriculture been carried out on the agricultural unit since 20 March 2013?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Will the external dimensions of the resulting building(s) extend beyond the existing building(s) at any point?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Is any part of the land, site or building:

- in a conservation area;
- in an area of outstanding natural beauty;
- in an area specified by the Secretary of State for the purposes of enhancement and protection of the natural beauty and amenity of the countryside;
- in the Broads;
- in a National Park;
- in a World Heritage Site;
- in a site of special scientific interest;
- in a safety hazard area;
- in a military explosives storage area;
- a scheduled monument (or the site contains one);
- a listed building (or within the curtilage of a listed building)

☐ Yes

☒ No

Agricultural tenants

To be eligible for this permitted development right, all parties to any agricultural tenancy agreements that are currently in place, or that have been terminated in the year before development is proposed to begin, need to provide consent.

This is to help ensure that agricultural tenants are not displaced to allow a change of use to be carried out.

Is the site currently occupied under any agricultural tenancy agreements?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Have any agricultural tenancy agreements been terminated in the year before development is proposed to begin for the purpose of carrying out the proposed change of use?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Dwellinghouses and floor space

To be eligible for this permitted development right, the number and size of dwellinghouses developed has to be within the limits set by legislation. This includes any dwellinghouses that were previously developed under this permitted development right.

- No more than a total of 5 dwellinghouses (including no more than 3 larger dwellinghouses) can be developed;
- No single dwellinghouse can exceed 465 square metres of floor space; and
- The total combined floor space of all the larger dwellinghouses developed cannot exceed 465 square metres.

For the purposes of this permitted development right:

- 'Smaller dwellinghouse' means a dwellinghouse (Use Class C3) which has a floor space of no more than 100 square metres
- 'Larger dwellinghouse' means a dwellinghouse (Use Class C3) which has a floor space of more than 100 square metres but no more than 465 square metres.

Please note: For prior approval applications submitted from 6 April 2021 onwards - Any new dwellinghouse will only be eligible for permitted development rights if it has a gross internal floor area of at least 37 square metres, and complies with the [nationally described space standard](#).

How many smaller dwellinghouses will be created by this proposal?

1

How many larger dwellinghouses will be created by this proposal?

0

What will be the net increase in dwellinghouses?

This figure should be the number of dwellinghouses proposed by the development that is additional to the number of dwellinghouses on the site immediately prior to the development.

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Previous development

How many smaller dwellinghouses have previously been created under this permitted development right on this established agricultural unit?

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How many larger dwellinghouses have previously been created under this permitted development right on this established agricultural unit?

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Floor space of larger dwellinghouse(s)

Will the total combined floor space (previously and in this proposal) changed to Larger Dwellinghouses under this permitted development right on this established agricultural unit exceed 465 square metres?

(Select 'No' if no larger dwellinghouses have been or will be created).

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Description of Proposed Works, Impacts and Risks

Please describe the proposed development, including:

- The siting and location of the building(s); and
- From 1 August 2020, details on the provision of adequate natural light in all habitable rooms of the dwellinghouses

The siting of the building is just to the north east of Sandwith village. A location plan is included to illustrate this. The site has an existing access and hardstanding area adjacent to the building. This would be used as parking and turning space, as it currently is for the agricultural use. To the south it adjoins the road between Whitehaven and Sandwith, and to the north, west and east it adjoins agricultural land.

The building has been used for animals and feed storage since its construction in 2003. The owner has an agricultural holding number associated with the site and has kept sheep on the site for the last 10 years.

Are any associated building works or other operations required to make this change?

Note that such works are restricted to those listed below that are reasonably necessary to convert the building(s) for use as a dwellinghouse:

- the installation or replacement of windows, doors, roofs, or exterior walls;
- the installation or replacement of water, drainage, electricity, gas or other services;
- partial demolition to the extent reasonably necessary to carry out the works listed above.

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please provide details of the design and external appearance of the building(s) in regard to these building works or other operations:

Additional window openings

Replacement roof

There is an existing water supply to the site, which will be used for the proposed dwelling.

The proposed dwelling will need a new electricity connection and a treatment plant for foul waste.

Please provide details of any transport and highways impacts and how these will be mitigated:

As the application is for a single dwelling, there would not be significant car movement associated with the proposed property. The existing access had good visibility in both directions.

Please provide details of any noise impacts and how these will be mitigated:

While the property is on the edge of Sandwith village, no noise impacts would be caused to any residential properties from the site.

Please provide details of any contamination risks and how these will be mitigated:

There are no contamination issues in relation to the previous use.

Please provide details of any flooding risks and how these will be mitigated.

A flood risk assessment should accompany the application where the site:

- is in Flood Zones 2 or 3; or
- is in an area with critical drainage problems (such areas will have been notified to the Local Planning Authority by the Environment Agency).

[Check if your site location is in Flood Zone 2 or 3 online.](#)

Check with your Local Planning Authority to see if your site is in an area with critical drainage problems.

The site is not within a Flood Zone 2 or 3, and has no drainage issues.

Declaration

I / We hereby apply for Prior Approval: Change of use - agriculture to dwellinghouses as described in this form and 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 options of the persons giving them. I / We also accept that: Once submitted, this information will be transmitted to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be made available 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

Simon Blacker

Date

25/04/2022