



Application for Planning Permission

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

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

Suffix

Property Name

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

Town/city

Postcode

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

Easting (x)

Northing (y)

Description

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

Andrew

Surname

Blach

Company Name

Castle Events Limited

Address

Address line 1

The Sessions House Sheep Market

Address line 2

Address line 3

Town/City

Spalding

County

Lincolnshire

Country

United Kingdom

Postcode

PE11 1BB

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

Yes
 No

Contact Details

Primary number

***** REDACTED *****

Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

***** REDACTED *****

Site Area

What is the measurement of the site area? (numeric characters only).

0.15

Unit

Hectares

Description of the Proposal

Please note in regard to:

- **Fire Statements** - From 1 August 2021, planning applications for buildings of over 18 metres (or 7 stories) tall containing more than one dwelling will require a 'Fire Statement' for the application to be considered valid. There are some exemptions. [View government planning guidance on fire statements](#) or [access the fire statement template and guidance](#).
- **Permission In Principle** - If you are applying for Technical Details Consent on a site that has been granted Permission In Principle, please include the relevant details in the description below.
- **Public Service Infrastructure** - From 1 August 2021, applications for certain public service infrastructure developments will be eligible for faster determination timeframes. See help for further details or [view government planning guidance on determination periods](#).

Description

Please describe details of the proposed development or works including any change of use

The installation of a freestanding and fully reversible, semi-permanent structure within the rear courtyard to function as an outdoor servery unit (coffee/bar). The structure, a converted container, will be clad in timber to be sympathetic to the heritage setting. The development is ancillary to the existing use of The Sessions House as an events venue (Use Class E) and involves no change of use.

Has the work or change of use already started?

Yes
 No

Existing Use

Please describe the current use of the site

The property as a whole is in use as 'The Sessions House' events venue (Use Class E). The specific portion of the rear courtyard designated for this proposal is currently underutilised, serving as an ancillary area for the storage of dry waste materials and commercial refuse bins.

Is the site currently vacant?

Yes
 No

If Yes, please describe the last use of the site

It is serving as an ancillary area for the storage of dry waste materials and commercial refuse bins

When did this use end (if known)?

dd/mm/yyyy

Does the proposal involve any of the following? If Yes, you will need to submit an appropriate contamination assessment with your application.

Land which is known to be contaminated

Yes
 No

Land where contamination is suspected for all or part of the site

Yes
 No

A proposed use that would be particularly vulnerable to the presence of contamination

Yes
 No

Materials

Does the proposed development require any materials to be used externally?

Yes
 No

Please provide a description of existing and proposed materials and finishes to be used externally (including type, colour and name for each material)

Type:

Walls

Existing materials and finishes:

Proposed materials and finishes:

External Timber Cladding over visible area of repurposed steel container

Type:

Roof

Existing materials and finishes:

Proposed materials and finishes:

Felt Roof

Are you supplying additional information on submitted plans, drawings or a design and access statement?

Yes
 No

If Yes, please state references for the plans, drawings and/or design and access statement

Supporting Documents:

DOC-01: Planning, Design, Heritage & Access Statement

DOC-02: Site-Specific Flood Risk Assessment

DOC-03: Biodiversity Action Plan & Net Gain Calculation

Drawings:

SH-DRAW-001: Site Location Plan (Scale 1:1250 @ A4)

SH-DRAW-002: Existing Block Plan (Scale 1:200 @ A3)

SH-DRAW-003: Proposed Block Plan (Scale 1:200 @ A3)

SH-DRAW-004: Proposed Floor Plan & Elevations (Scale 1:50 @ A3)

Pedestrian and Vehicle Access, Roads and Rights of Way

Is a new or altered vehicular access proposed to or from the public highway?

Yes
 No

Is a new or altered pedestrian access proposed to or from the public highway?

Yes
 No

Are there any new public roads to be provided within the site?

Yes
 No

Are there any new public rights of way to be provided within or adjacent to the site?

Yes
 No

Do the proposals require any diversions/extinguishments and/or creation of rights of way?

Yes
 No

Vehicle Parking

Does the site have any existing vehicle/cycle parking spaces or will the proposed development add/remove any parking spaces?

Yes
 No

Vehicle Type:

Cars

Existing number of spaces:

20

Total proposed (including spaces retained):

20

Difference in spaces:

0

Trees and Hedges

Are there trees or hedges on the proposed development site?

Yes
 No

And/or: Are there trees or hedges on land adjacent to the proposed development site that could influence the development or might be important as part of the local landscape character?

Yes
 No

If Yes to either or both of the above, you may need to provide a full tree survey, at the discretion of the local planning authority. If a tree survey is required, this and the accompanying plan should be submitted alongside the application. The local planning authority should make clear on its website what the survey should contain, in accordance with the current 'BS5837: Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations'.

Assessment of Flood Risk

Is the site within an area at risk of flooding? (Check the location on the Government's [Flood map for planning](#). You should also refer to national [standing advice](#) and your local planning authority requirements for information as necessary.)

Yes
 No

Is your proposal within 20 metres of a watercourse (e.g. river, stream or beck)?

Yes
 No

Will the proposal increase the flood risk elsewhere?

Yes
 No

How will surface water be disposed of?

Sustainable drainage system
 Existing water course
 Soakaway
 Main sewer
 Pond/lake

Biodiversity and Geological Conservation

Is there a reasonable likelihood of the following being affected adversely or conserved and enhanced within the application site, or on land adjacent to or near the application site?

To assist in answering this question correctly, please refer to the help text which provides guidance on determining if any important biodiversity or geological conservation features may be present or nearby; and whether they are likely to be affected by the proposals.

a) Protected and priority species

Yes, on the development site
 Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
 No

b) Designated sites, important habitats or other biodiversity features

Yes, on the development site
 Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
 No

c) Features of geological conservation importance

Yes, on the development site
 Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
 No

Supporting information requirements

Where a development proposal is likely to affect features of biodiversity or geological conservation interest, you will need to submit, with the application, sufficient information and assessments to allow the local planning authority to determine the proposal.

Failure to submit all information required will result in your application being deemed invalid. It will not be considered valid until all information required by the local planning authority has been submitted.

Your local planning authority will be able to advise on the content of any assessments that may be required.

Biodiversity net gain

Biodiversity net gain is a legal requirement for planning permission introduced on 12 February 2024. All applications are required to either provide detailed information proving there will be a biodiversity increase; or explain why the requirement does not apply to the development.

Do you believe that, if the development is granted permission, the general Biodiversity Gain Condition (as set out in [Paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 \(as amended\)](#)) would apply?

Yes
 No

Please provide the pre-development biodiversity value of onsite habitats on the date of calculation

0

Please provide the date the onsite pre-development biodiversity value was calculated

24/09/2025

Note: This should be either the date of the application, or an earlier proposed date

If an earlier date, to the date of the planning application, has been used, please provide details why this date has been used

When was the version of the biodiversity metric used published?

29/11/2023

Please provide the reference or supporting document/plan names for the:

- i. Biodiversity metric calculation
- ii. Onsite irreplaceable habitats (if applicable)
- iii. Onsite habitats existing on the date of the application for planning permission (if applicable)

Document/Plan:

Biodiversity metric calculation

Document name/reference:

DOC-03: Biodiversity Action Plan & Net Gain Calculation

Document/Plan:

Onsite irreplaceable habitats

Document name/reference:

N/A - The site is an existing hardstanding courtyard and contains no irreplaceable habitats.

Document/Plan:

Onsite habitats existing on the date of the application for planning permission

Document name/reference:

SH-DRAW-002: Existing Block Plan

Note: You must supply a complete biodiversity metric calculation with your application. Plans must be drawn to an identified scale, and show the direction of North.

Has there been any loss (or degradation) of any onsite habitat(s), resulting from activities carried out before the date the onsite pre-development biodiversity value was calculated. Either:

- on or after 30 January 2020 which were not in accordance with a planning permission; or
- on or after 25 August 2023 which were in accordance with a planning permission?

Yes

No

Does the development site have irreplaceable habitats (corresponding to the descriptions in [Column 1 of the Schedule in the Biodiversity Gain Requirements \(Irreplaceable Habitat\) Regulations \(2023\)](#)) which are:

- i. on land to which the application relates; and
- ii. exist on the date of the application for planning permission, (or an earlier agreed date)

Yes

No

Foul Sewage

Please state how foul sewage is to be disposed of:

- Mains sewer
- Septic tank
- Package treatment plant
- Cess pit
- Other
- Unknown

Are you proposing to connect to the existing drainage system?

Yes

No

Unknown

If Yes, please include the details of the existing system on the application drawings and state the plan(s)/drawing(s) references

Details of the proposed connection to the existing drainage system are shown on the SH-DRAW-003: Proposed Block Plan.

Waste Storage and Collection

Do the plans incorporate areas to store and aid the collection of waste?

Yes
 No

Have arrangements been made for the separate storage and collection of recyclable waste?

Yes
 No

If Yes, please provide details:

These will be disposed of via existing commercial contracts and facilities on site.

Trade Effluent

Does the proposal involve the need to dispose of trade effluents or trade waste?

Yes
 No

Residential/Dwelling Units

Does your proposal include the gain, loss or change of use of residential units?

Yes
 No

All Types of Development: Non-Residential Floorspace

Does your proposal involve the loss, gain or change of use of non-residential floorspace?

Note that 'non-residential' in this context covers all uses except Use Class C3 Dwellinghouses.

Yes
 No

Employment

Are there any existing employees on the site or will the proposed development increase or decrease the number of employees?

Yes
 No

Existing Employees

Please complete the following information regarding existing employees:

Full-time

3

Part-time

0

Total full-time equivalent

3.00

Proposed Employees

If known, please complete the following information regarding proposed employees:

Full-time

2

Part-time

2

Total full-time equivalent

3.00

Hours of Opening

Are Hours of Opening relevant to this proposal?

Yes

No

Please add details of the Use Classes and hours of opening for each non-residential use proposed.

Use Class:

E(b) - Sale of food and drink for consumption mostly on the premises

Unknown:

No

Monday to Friday:

Start Time:

07:30

End Time:

23:00

Saturday:

Start Time:

07:30

End Time:

23:00

Sunday / Bank Holiday:

Start Time:

09:00

End Time:

23:00

Industrial or Commercial Processes and Machinery

Does this proposal involve the carrying out of industrial or commercial activities and processes?

Yes
 No

Please describe the activities and processes which would be carried out on the site and the end products including plant, ventilation or air conditioning. Please include the type of machinery which may be installed on site:

The proposed unit will function as an ancillary servery for the existing events venue. The primary activities will be the preparation and sale of hot and cold beverages (coffees, soft drinks, alcoholic drinks) to patrons.

The processes are limited to standard bar operations. No cooking or preparation of hot food will take place on the premises, eliminating any potential for odour nuisance.

The plant and machinery to be installed are typical for a small-scale bar and include:

A commercial espresso machine and coffee grinder.

Under-counter refrigeration units for bottles and drink storage.

A sink and/or a small glasswasher for cleaning glassware.

A small, self-contained ice machine.

All machinery is electrically powered and generates minimal noise.

Ventilation will be primarily passive, through the servery window and door during operational hours. An optional small, low-profile air conditioning unit may be installed, with the external condenser located discreetly on a non-visible elevation to minimise any visual or noise impact.

Is the proposal for a waste management development?

Yes
 No

Hazardous Substances

Does the proposal involve the use or storage of Hazardous Substances?

Yes
 No

Site Visit

Can the site be seen from a public road, public footpath, bridleway or other public land?

Yes
 No

If the planning authority needs to make an appointment to carry out a site visit, whom should they contact?

The agent
 The applicant
 Other person

Pre-application Advice

Has assistance or prior advice been sought from the local authority about this application?

Yes
 No

If Yes, please complete the following information about the advice you were given (this will help the authority to deal with this application more efficiently):

Officer name:

Title

***** REDACTED *****

First Name

***** REDACTED *****

Surname

***** REDACTED *****

Reference

PE-00186-25.

Date (must be pre-application submission)

31/07/2025

Details of the pre-application advice received

By virtue of the fact that this application seeks the long-term siting of a structure within the curtilage of a listed building, this proposal is not permitted development and therefore does not require planning permission. Listed Building Consent is not required, unless the structure is proposed to be in some fashion affixed to any static aspect of the existing above-ground development on site.

Authority Employee/Member

With respect to the Authority, is the applicant and/or agent one of the following:

- (a) a member of staff
- (b) an elected member
- (c) related to a member of staff
- (d) related to an elected member

It is an important principle of decision-making that the process is open and transparent.

For the purposes of this question, "related to" means related, by birth or otherwise, closely enough that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts, would conclude that there was bias on the part of the decision-maker in the Local Planning Authority.

Do any of the above statements apply?

- Yes
- No

Ownership Certificates and Agricultural Land Declaration

Certificates under Article 14 - Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (as amended)

Please answer the following questions to determine which Certificate of Ownership you need to complete: A, B, C or D.

Is the applicant the sole owner of all the land to which this application relates; and has the applicant been the sole owner for more than 21 days?

- Yes
- No

Is any of the land to which the application relates part of an Agricultural Holding?

- Yes
- No

Certificate Of Ownership - Certificate A

I certify/The applicant certifies that on the day 21 days before the date of this application nobody except myself/ the applicant was the owner* of any part of the land or building to which the application relates, and that none of the land to which the application relates is, or is part of, an agricultural holding**

* "owner" is a person with a freehold interest or leasehold interest with at least 7 years left to run.

** "agricultural holding" has the meaning given by reference to the definition of "agricultural tenant" in section 65(8) of the Act.

NOTE: You should sign Certificate B, C or D, as appropriate, if you are the sole owner of the land or building to which the application relates but the land is, or is part of, an agricultural holding.

Person Role

- The Applicant
- The Agent

Title

Mr

First Name

Andrew

Surname

Blach

Declaration Date

24/09/2025

Declaration made

Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Full planning permission as described in the questions answered, details provided, and the 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 opinions of the person(s) giving them.

I/We also accept that, in accordance with the Planning Portal's terms and conditions:

- Once submitted, this information will be made available to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be published 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

Andrew Blach

Date

26/09/2025