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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

FULL

Reference: H16-1099-22 **Date of Decision:** 3rd January 2023
Applicant: M R & C M Senior
Dorma House
Monks House Lane
Spalding
PE11 3LH
Location: 33 Red Lion Street Spalding
Description: Installation of photovoltaic panels to south & west roof slopes

South Holland District Council hereby give notice that this application has been REFUSED for the above proposal for the following reason(s):

- 1 The introduction of photovoltaic cells to this property would fail to comply with the requirements of Policy 29 of the South-East Lincolnshire Local Plan (2019) and Section 16 of the National Planning Policy Framework (2021), both of which set out an obligation for Local Planning Authorities to preserve or enhance the character or appearance of the conservation area. The loss of slate roofing, in favour of photovoltaic cells which have a modern appearance, would cause a significant change in the appearance of the area. This change would directly contradict the aforementioned policy obligation to preserve or enhance the appearance of the conservation area.
- 2 The addition of photovoltaic cells would create an incongruous visual feature that would undermine the integrity of the conservation area. The importance of maintaining a consistent aesthetic, that conforms to the sense of character created within the conservation area, is particularly vital considering the site's proximity to a Grade II Listed building. Therefore, the proposal would fail to achieve the goals of Policy 29 of the South-East Lincolnshire Local Plan (2019) and Section 16 of the National Planning Policy Framework (2021).
- 3 Policy 31 subsection B of the South-East Lincolnshire Local Plan (2019) states that the

development of renewable energy facilities is only permissible if the proposed would not cause significant harm to heritage assets and their settings or causing harm to visual amenity. The introduction of photovoltaic cells would certainly harm the setting of a heritage asset (namely the Grade II Listed Red Lion). Furthermore, the prominence the rooftop has within the street scene of Red Lion Street means that such an alteration to 33 Red Lion Street would have significant impacts upon the local visual amenity. Therefore, the proposal fails to conform to Policy 31 of the South-East Lincolnshire Local Plan (2019).

Notes:

The determined plans and documents are:

Application Form
2209-01
Details of Roof Layout

The Local Planning Authority has acted positively and proactively in determining this application by assessing it against all material considerations, including national guidance, planning policies and representations that have been received during the public consultation exercise. Furthermore, matters of concern with the application have been identified and discussed with the Applicant. However, the issues are so fundamental to the proposal that it has not been possible to negotiate a satisfactory solution and due to the harm, which has been clearly identified within the reason(s) for the refusal, approval has not been possible.

This decision notice, the relevant accompanying report and the determined plans can be viewed online at <http://planning.sholland.gov.uk/OcellaWeb/planningSearch>



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RIGHTS OF APPEAL

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 grant consent subject to conditions, then you can appeal to the Secretary of State under Section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 or Section 20 of the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.

Timescales for appealing

The deadlines for appeals are calculated from the **date of decision** and are as follows for the types of applications below:

12 Weeks	6 Months	8 Weeks
Householder Applications	Planning Permission	Consent to Display Adverts
Minor Commercial Development	Listed Building Consent	
Agricultural Determinations	Other Prior Approval Applications	
Householder Prior Approval Applications		

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) at least 10 days before submitting the appeal. Further details are on GOV.UK.

Enforcement Notices

If an enforcement notice was served prior to the planning application being determined then the deadline for appealing is 28 days from the date of the **planning refusal**.

If an enforcement notice is served after the planning application is determined then the deadline for appealing is 28 days from the date of the **enforcement notice** OR **the timescales stated above for each application type** from the date of the planning refusal - whichever is sooner.

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 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 the order.

Purchase Notices

If either the Local Planning Authority or the Secretary of State refuses permission to develop land or grant 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 can he 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 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 the Part VI of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 or Section 32 of the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.

Compensation

In certain circumstances compensation may be claimed from the Local Planning Authority if permission is refused or granted subject to conditions by the Secretary of State on appeal or on reference of the application to him.

These circumstances are set out in Section 114 and related provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and Section 27 of the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.