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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

FULL

Reference:	H17-0028-26	Date of Decision:	5th June 2026
Applicant:	Mr J Heppenstall 20 The Reservoir Surfleet Spalding Lincolnshire PE11 4DJ		
Location:	20 The Reservoir Surfleet Spalding		
Description:	Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of new replacement dwelling and double garage		

South Holland District Council, in pursuance of the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended), hereby give notice that permission has been GRANTED (or equivalent) for the development referred to above, subject to the following condition(s):

- 1 The development must be begun not later than the expiration of three years beginning with the date of this permission.

Reason: As required by Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended by the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

- 2 The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans and/or documents:
 - 1a - Proposed Floor Plans, Elevations & Roof Plan - Dwelling
 - 2a - Floor Plans & Elevations - Garage, Existing & Proposed Site Plan
 - ECL1235a/L BLISS - Flood Risk Assessment

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

- 3 The development hereby permitted shall not be commenced until a scheme to deal with any contamination of land or pollution of controlled waters has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority (LPA).

The scheme shall include all of the following measures:

- i) A preliminary risk assessment (desk study) shall be carried out to identify and evaluate all potential sources of contamination and the impacts on land and/or controlled waters, relevant to the site. The desk-top study shall establish a 'conceptual site model' and identify all plausible pollutant linkages. Furthermore, the assessment shall set objectives for intrusive site investigation works/Quantitative Risk Assessment (or state if none required). A full copy of the desk-top study and a non-technical summary shall be submitted to the LPA without delay upon completion.
- ii) If identified as being required following the completion of the desk-top study, an exploratory site investigation shall be carried out to fully and effectively characterise the nature and extent of any land contamination and/or pollution of controlled waters. It shall specifically include a risk assessment that adopts the Source-Pathway-Receptor principle, in order that any potential risks are adequately assessed taking into account the sites existing status and proposed end use. A full copy of the site investigation and findings shall be forwarded to the LPA without delay upon completion.
- iii) Thereafter, a written method statement detailing the remediation strategy for land contamination and/or pollution of controlled waters affecting the site and a timetable for their completion shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the LPA. This shall include details of the proposed verification plan including compliance criteria and monitoring details.

No deviation shall be made from this scheme. If during redevelopment contamination not previously considered is identified, then the LPA shall be notified immediately and no further work shall be carried out until a method statement detailing a scheme for dealing with the suspected contamination has been submitted to and agreed in writing by the LPA.

Reason: To assess whether the site is polluted and to address any pollution to ensure a satisfactory development. This issue is integral to the development and therefore full details need to be finalised prior to the commencement of works.

This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policy 30 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019.

- 4 If contamination of land and/or pollution of controlled waters has been identified as a result of investigation undertaken in accordance with Condition 3 above and remediation is required, a full copy of a verification report shall be submitted to, and approved in writing by, the Local Planning Authority prior to the first occupation of the development. The report shall provide verification that the required works regarding contamination have been carried out in accordance with the approved Method Statement(s). Post-remediation sampling and monitoring results shall be included in the closure report to demonstrate that the required remediation objectives and criteria has been fully met.

Note: The applicant is advised that the phased risk assessment required by the Contaminated Land Scheme Condition should be carried out in accordance with the

procedural guidance of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 Part 11A.

Reason: To ensure the satisfactory remediation of contaminated land and/or waters.

This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policy 30 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019.

- 5 The temporary caravan as shown on the existing site plan on approved plan 2a shall be removed from the site at or before the first occupation of the replacement dwelling hereby approved.

Reason: The caravan is of a temporary design and materials of construction and is only permitted to provide short term accommodation to serve the needs of the occupants of the site. The retention of the caravan beyond this date would be harmful to the visual amenity and character of the locality by virtue of its temporary nature and the potential for its fabric to become dilapidated. Furthermore, the siting of a caravan within the site beyond a temporary period is considered to be unacceptable in flood risk terms.

This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policies 2, 3 and 4 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019.

- 6 The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the measures set out in the Flood Risk Assessment (ECL1235a/L BLISS) forming part of this planning application. In particular, the following measures shall be fully implemented before the property is first occupied:

- The finished floor level of the dwelling shall be set no lower than 5.40 metres above Ordnance Datum (mAOD);
- The built footprint of development (dwelling and garage) shall not exceed 103.4m²;
- Voids shall be included on all elevations of the dwelling and shall be 1.8m wide and 0.6m deep;
- The security bars in the void openings shall be 10mm in diameter and at 100mm intervals;
- There shall be no ground raising on site; and
- Flood resilience and resistance measures shall be incorporated as stated.

Reason: To ensure that the development does not increase the risk of flooding or be at risk of flooding.

This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policies 3 and 4 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019 and Section 14 of the National Planning Policy Framework, December 2024.

- 7 Before the commencement of the development hereby permitted, full details of the existing and proposed site levels and the proposed floor levels of the buildings, hard surfaced areas and garden/amenity areas, including any mitigation measures arising as a consequence (for example increased height of boundary treatment), shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be constructed and retained in accordance with the details so approved.

Reason: To reduce the risk of flooding of the development and to ensure that the Local Planning Authority retains control over the finished site and floor levels of the development, in the interests of the amenity of adjacent residents and its visual and

architectural relationship with adjacent development. This issue is integral to the development and therefore full details need to be finalised prior to the commencement of works.

This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policies 2, 3 and 4 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019 and Sections 12 and 14 of the National Planning Policy Framework, December 2024.

- 8 Before any development beyond oversight is commenced, full details of the proposed means of foul and surface water disposal shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority and the details so approved shall be implemented in full before there are any flows into the receiving systems.

Reason: To ensure that the site is adequately drained, to avoid pollution, and to prevent increased risk of flooding.

This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policies 2, 3 and 30 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019 and Section 14 of the National Planning Policy Framework, December 2024.

- 9 Prior to its installation, details of the proposed boundary treatments, including a schedule of fencing levels, heights and materials, and details of the size and species of any hedging, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority, and the details so approved shall be implemented in full before the development is first brought into use and retained thereafter.

Reason: In the interests of the character and appearance of the development and the amenity of the area in which it is set including the amenity of nearby occupiers.

This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policies 2 and 3 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019.

- 10 Notwithstanding the details submitted, before any part of the development hereby permitted is occupied, the following window(s) shall be installed with obscure glazing (to a minimum level of Pilkington - Privacy Level 3 or an equivalent product).

- The eastern side elevation windows.

Once installed, the windows shall thereafter be retained as such.

Reason: To prevent overlooking in the interests of the amenity of nearby residents.

This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policy 3 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019 and Section 12 of the National Planning Policy Framework, December 2024.

- 11 Before the commencement of the development hereby permitted beyond oversight (above ground level), a schedule of external materials of construction of buildings and hard surfaced areas shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be constructed in accordance with the materials so approved.

Reason: To ensure that the Local Planning Authority retains control over the external materials of construction of the development in the interests of the character and

appearance of the development and the visual amenity of the area in which it is set. This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policies 2 and 3 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019.

- 12 Notwithstanding the provisions of Schedule 2, Part 1, Class A and Class D of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (or any Order or Statutory Instrument revoking and re-enacting that Order), no enlargement, improvement or other alteration to the dwellinghouse, and no construction of a porch, other than those illustrated on the plans and forming part of the application hereby authorised by this permission, shall be carried out without planning permission first having been granted by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure that the Local Planning Authority retains control over the future development, additions and alterations, in the interests of its architectural and visual integrity, levels of residential amenity and the visual amenity and character of the area within which it is set. Furthermore, this condition is considered necessary in terms of securing appropriate flood risk mitigation.

This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policies 2, 3 and 4 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019 and Sections 12 and 14 of the National Planning Policy Framework, December 2024.

- 13 Notwithstanding the provisions of Schedule 2, Part 2, Class A of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 as amended, (or any Order or Statutory Instrument revoking and re-enacting that Order), no walls, fences, gates or other means of enclosure, other than those illustrated on the plans forming part of the application hereby approved shall be erected on the site, without Planning Permission first having been granted by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure that the Local Planning Authority retains control over means of enclosure, in the interests of the appearance of the development and the visual amenity and character of the area within which it is set.

This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policies 2 and 3 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019 and Section 12 of the National Planning Policy Framework, December 2024.

- 14 Notwithstanding the provisions of Schedule 2, Part 1, Class E of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (or any Order or Statutory Instrument revoking and re-enacting that Order), no building, enclosure, swimming pool, other pool, or container used for domestic heating purposes, shall be constructed within the curtilage of the dwellinghouse, without Planning Permission first having been granted by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure that the Local Planning Authority retains control over the future development, additions and alterations, in the interests of its architectural and visual integrity, levels of residential amenity and the visual amenity and character of the area within which it is set. Furthermore, this condition is considered necessary in terms of securing appropriate flood risk mitigation.

This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policies 2, 3 and 4 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019 and Sections 12 and 14 of the National Planning Policy Framework, December 2024.

- 15 Notwithstanding the provisions of Schedule 2, Part 1, Classes A, B & C of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (or any Order or Statutory Instrument revoking and re-enacting that Order), no window, dormer window, rooflight or other shall be inserted into the property, other than those illustrated on the plans and forming part of the application hereby authorised by this permission.

Reason: To prevent overlooking and to safeguard amenity of nearby occupiers, in the interests of the amenity of nearby residents.

This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policy 3 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019 and Section 12 of the National Planning Policy Framework, December 2024.

Notes:

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, and by identifying matters of concern within the application and negotiating, with the Applicant, acceptable amendments to the proposal to address those concerns. As a result, the Local Planning Authority has been able to grant planning permission for an acceptable proposal.

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

As set out within the consultation response from the Environment Agency dated 01 June 2026, the site is located within a designated flood storage area and lies between flood defences. As such, the development site is regarded as being 'in channel'. Consequently, a Flood Risk Activity Permit will be required for the works under The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016.

The Applicant should not assume that a permit will automatically be forthcoming once planning permission has been granted, and the Environment Agency advises them to consult with them at the earliest opportunity.

Biodiversity Net Gain

The applicant's attention is drawn to the following Biodiversity Net Gain requirement.

The effect of Paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 is that planning permission is deemed to have been granted subject to the "biodiversity gain condition". The effect of this "biodiversity gain condition" is that development granted by this notice must not begin unless:

- (a) a Biodiversity Gain Plan has been submitted to the planning authority, and
- (b) the planning authority has approved the plan, or
- (c) the development is exempt from the biodiversity gain condition.

For guidance on the contents, in respect of the details that must be submitted and agreed by the Local Planning Authority, prior to the commencement of the consented development, please see the GOV.uk website and Planning Practice Guidance.

Statutory exemptions and transitional arrangements

There are statutory exemptions and transitional arrangements which mean that the biodiversity gain condition does not always apply. These can be found at Paragraph: 003 Reference ID: 74-003-20240214 of the Planning Practice Guidance, which can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/biodiversity-net-gain>.

Based on the information available and submitted in support of this application, the Local Planning Authority considers that the development hereby permitted is exempt and therefore will not require the approval of a biodiversity gain plan, prior to the commencement of development; with the development comprising a statutory exemption as listed below: -

The proposal is considered to fall under the de minimis exemption.

As such, the development hereby permitted will not be subject to the biodiversity gain condition.

Irreplaceable habitat

If the onsite habitat includes irreplaceable habitat (within the meaning of the Biodiversity Gain Requirements (Irreplaceable Habitat) Regulations 2024) there are additional requirements for the content and approval of Biodiversity Gain Plans.

For clarity the LPA do not consider that irreplaceable habitats are present at this site.

The Biodiversity Gain Plan must include, in addition to information about steps taken or to be taken to minimise any adverse effect of the development on the habitat, information on arrangements for compensation for any impact the development has on the biodiversity of the irreplaceable habitat.

The planning authority can only approve a Biodiversity Gain Plan if satisfied that the adverse effect of the development on the biodiversity of the irreplaceable habitat is minimised and appropriate arrangements have been made for the purpose of compensating for any impact which do not include the use of biodiversity credits.

Effect of Section 73(2D) of the 1990 Act

Under Section 73(2D) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) where

- (a) a biodiversity gain plan was approved in relation to the previous planning permission ("the earlier biodiversity gain plan"), and
- (b) the conditions subject to which the planning permission is granted:

(i) do not affect the post-development value of the onsite habitat as specified in the earlier biodiversity gain plan, and

(ii) in the case of planning permission for a development where all or any part of the onsite habitat is irreplaceable habitat within the meaning of regulations made under paragraph 18 of Schedule 7A, do not change the effect of the development on the biodiversity of that onsite habitat (including any arrangements made to compensate for any such effect) as specified in the earlier biodiversity gain plan.

- the earlier biodiversity gain plan is regarded as approved for the purposes of paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) in relation to the planning permission.



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South Holland District Council

BUILDING REGULATIONS:

This decision refers only to planning permission as granted under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. The works that you are proposing may also require Building Regulations and this planning permission does not give authority under Building Regulations to commence work. Please contact the Building Control team for further information on 01775 764557 or bcadmin@sholland.gov.uk

BUILDING REGULATIONS 2010:

The plans given approval as part of this application, may require the provision of additional information or amendment to show compliance the relevant requirements of the Building Regulations 2010. Typical circumstances include, highly glazed extensions achieving compliance with requirement L1 (Conservation of fuel and power) which may influence the areas of glazed elements/ building elevations, or requirement B1 (Means of warning and escape) which may influence an internal layout for fire safety purposes. Please contact the Building Control team for further information on 01775 764557 or bcadmin@sholland.gov.uk

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		

<https://www.gov.uk/appeal-householder-planning-decision>

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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@planning-inspectorate.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://appeal-planning-decision.service.gov.uk/before-you-start>. 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.