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## TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 FULL

**Reference:** H20-1228-25 **Date of Decision:** 5th February 2026  
**Applicant:** Mr Roffe  
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**Location:** Ivy House Farm Sutton Road Sutton St James Spalding  
**Description:** Demolition of existing barn & erection of one dwelling

**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:

- 4273-24 10B - Floor Plans - Proposed
- 4273-24 11B - Elevations - Proposed, Site Plan - Proposed, Location Plan
- Flood Risk Assessment

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

- 3 Before the commencement of the development hereby permitted beyond oversite 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 and Section 12 of the National Planning Policy Framework, December 2024.

- 4 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.

- 5 If contamination of land and/or pollution of controlled waters has been identified as a result of investigation undertaken in accordance with Condition 4 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.

- 6 Should any works be carried out between the months of March to August inclusive, the works shall be undertaken in accordance with a methodology which shall first be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority (LPA). Works to be carried out in accordance with the approved methodology shall only be undertaken following inspection by a suitably qualified ecologist and written confirmation from the ecologist first being submitted to the LPA that breeding birds would not be adversely impacted by the proposed clearance works.

Reason: To avoid disturbance to birds during the breeding season. This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policy 28 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019.

- 7 The development shall be undertaken with the measures outlined within Section 4.2 (Recommendations) within the submitted Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (June 2025).

Reason: In the interests of biodiversity and to protect wildlife. This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policy 28 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019.

- 8 At least one swift nest brick and one bat box shall be incorporated within the external walls of the dwelling hereby approved and shall be retained thereafter.

Reason: In the interests of biodiversity. This Condition is imposed in accordance with Policy 28 of the South East Lincolnshire Local Plan, 2019.

- 9 The scheme of landscaping and tree planting shown on approved plan 4273-24 11B shall be carried out and completed in its entirety during the first planting season following practical completion of the development. All trees, shrubs and bushes shall be maintained by the owner or owners of the land on which they are situated for the period of five years beginning with the date of completion of the scheme and during that period all losses, in the opinion of the Local Planning Authority, shall be made good as and when necessary.

Reason: To ensure that the development is adequately landscaped, in the interests of its

visual amenity and that 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.

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

- The finished floor levels shall be 0.5m above the existing ground levels.

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.

- 11 Before any development beyond oversight is commenced, details of the existing and proposed site levels including hard surfaced areas and garden/amenity areas 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 ensure the development has an acceptable visual impact and to reduce the risk of flooding of the development.

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

- 12 Before any development beyond oversight is commenced, full details of the proposed soakaway system for the disposal of surface water from the development hereby permitted, including percolation test results, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

This shall include the calculations undertaken to determine the volume of storage required. Should the percolation test results be considered unacceptable by the Local Planning Authority, details of an alternative means of providing for surface water drainage shall be submitted for consideration and approved by the Local Planning Authority.

The approved means of surface water drainage shall be implemented in full before the development hereby permitted is first brought into use.

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.

- 13 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.

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 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.

- 15 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.

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.

#### 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 subsequently determining to grant planning permission.

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

The permitted development requires the formation of a new/amended vehicular access. These works will require approval from the Highway Authority in accordance with Section 184 of the Highways Act. The works should be constructed in accordance with the Authority's specification that is current at the time of construction. Relocation of existing apparatus, underground services or street furniture will be the responsibility of the applicant, prior to application.

For application guidance, approval and specification details, please visit:  
<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/licences-permits/apply-dropped-kerb>  
or contact [vehiclecrossings@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:vehiclecrossings@lincolnshire.gov.uk)

Please contact the Lincolnshire County Council Streetworks and Permitting Team on 01522 782070 to discuss any proposed statutory utility connections and any other works which will be required within the public highway in association with the development permitted under this Consent. This will enable Lincolnshire County Council to assist in the coordination and timings of these works.

For further guidance please visit:  
Traffic Management - <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/traffic-management>  
Licences and Permits - <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/licences-permits>

Your attention is drawn to the letter from South Holland Internal Drainage Board dated 09 January 2026. You are advised of the need to comply with the requirements of the Drainage Board, which are covered by their own Bye-laws. You are further advised that any future amendments to this application and/or compliance with Conditions must also respect those Bye-laws. Please contact the Drainage Board directly for further information.

### **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.



**Phil Norman**  
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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](mailto: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](mailto: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:

<b>12 Weeks</b>	<b>6 Months</b>	<b>8 Weeks</b>
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](mailto: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://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.