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Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed: Change of Use of Buildings on Agricultural Units and former Agricultural Buildings to Dwellinghouses (Class C3), which may include extension of the building and/or 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

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)

385089

Northing (y)

415683

Description

Red Wells Farm, adjacent to Fordoe Farm.

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

Andrew

Surname

Crossley

Company Name

Address

Address line 1

Higher Knowl

Address line 2

Fordoe Lane

Address line 3

Town/City

Rochdale

County

Rochdale

Country

Postcode

OL12 7TL

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

☒ Yes

☐ No

Contact Details

Primary number

Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

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Agent Details

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Title

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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.

This permitted development right was amended on 21 May 2024 to broaden the range of buildings that could be converted to dwellings, allow extensions to the building, and to increase the total number of dwellings from 5 to 10.

However, the right was also updated to:

- No longer permit the creation of any dwelling with a floorspace over 150 square metres (previously, 'larger' dwellings could be up to 465 square metres)
- Remove the eligibility of any building that does not have suitable existing access to a public highway (previously, this was not an eligibility requirement)

Proposals that do not meet the above criteria are temporarily allowed to use the previous version of the permitted development right, though this will mean you are not able to benefit from any of the amendments made.

Select the checkbox below if you wish to use the previous version. Otherwise you should continue through this application, which is based on the current legislation as amended.

- ☒ **I/We confirm that this application will use the permitted development right as it stood prior to 21 May 2024.** In confirming this, I/we understand that:
- The application must be received by the local authority by 20 May 2025 (the payment process on Planning Portal must be completed before the application will be submitted).
 - The [supplementary information template](#) covering the pre-21 May 2024 eligibility criteria and information requirements must be downloaded, completed and attached as a supporting document.
 - Failure to do either of the above could result in application being refused without the fee being refunded.

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

Description of Proposed Works, Impacts and Risks

Please describe the proposed development, including the siting and location of the building(s)

Barn to the south of Fordoe Land, close to Fordoe Farm. The proposal is to convert the existing agricultural barn into a 3 bedroomed dwelling house.

Please provide details on the provision of adequate natural light in all habitable rooms of the dwellinghouses

Each of the accommodation spaces has an openable window / door / roof light which will provide natural light.

Will the building(s) be extended as part of the proposed development

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

NOTE: If using the transitional provision to benefit from the permitted development rights as they stood prior to 21 May 2024, then extensions are not permitted, and you should answer 'No'.

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:

Internal wall lining will be required to divide the spaces into habitable rooms. Existing openings will be retained in most instances, with new glazing proposed. Insulation levels and new internal wall surfaces are also proposed. The proposals do not increase the external envelope of the existing building. The installation of water, electricity and sewerage services will be required.

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

Highways have been consulted on a previous application. There were no concerns with the impact of vehicular travel to/from the site. Queries regarding additional proposed passing places have been answered in the documentation supplied as part of this application. It is material, that the cessation of agricultural vehicle use of this building will reduce the frequency of farm vehicles using the access track.

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

The removal of the agricultural activity from this building will be of benefit to the neighbouring property. Should the application be approved, adequate provision will be made to prevent noise disturbance for any inhabitant, through the use of sound reducing windows in the road side openings.

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

A Phase One desktop study of the contamination risks has been provided as part of the application documents.

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 in Flood Zone 1

Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Prior Approval: Change of use - agricultural (or former agricultural) buildings to dwellinghouses 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

Mathew Benson

Date

09/08/2024