

TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACTS, 1971 and 1972

Other Ref. No.

THE DISTRICT COUNCIL OF DACORUM

IN THE COUNTY OF HERTFORD

To Messrs. Blackman & Blackman, 12 Peterborough Road, HARROW, Middlesex.

Messrs. Simpson & North, 9 Bridge Street, PINNER, Middlesex.

Change of use of school to mixed office/surgery use at former C. of E. School, The Common, Chipperfield.

Brief description and location of proposed development.

In pursuance of their powers under the above-mentioned Acts and the Orders and Regulations for the time being in force thereunder, the Council hereby refuse the development proposed by you in your application dated 3rd February, 1981, and received with sufficient particulars on 4th February, 1981, and shown on the plan(s) accompanying such application.

The reasons for the Council's decision to refuse permission for the development are:-

- 1. Policy No. 6 of the Approved County Structure Plan (1979) and Policy No. 54 of the deposited District Plan state inter alia that permission for office development will normally be restricted to firms substantially serving the local community in Hertfordshire, firms not serving the Hertfordshire community but needing to be located in the County in the national or regional interest, or offices essential to industrial processes carried on by firms in the County where the activity cannot reasonably be located in Hertfordshire. The applicants proposed use of the building shown on the submitted drawings is unacceptable and in addition, particularly with regard to Policy No. 54 of the deposited District Plan, it is not accepted that there is an exceptional and particular local need within Dacorum for office development in this location.

Reasons continued on separate sheet/.....

Dated 9th day of April 1981

Signed Colin Barker

Designation Chief Planning Officer.

NOTE

- (1) If the applicant wishes to have an explanation of the reasons for this decision it will be given on request and a meeting arranged if necessary.
- (2) If the applicant is aggrieved by the decision of the local planning authority to refuse permission or approval for the proposed development, or to grant permission or approval subject to conditions, he may appeal to the Secretary of State for the Environment, in accordance with section 36 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971, within six months of receipt of this notice. (Appeals must be made on a form which is obtainable from the Secretary of State for the Environment, Whitehall, London, S.W.1.) The Secretary of State has power to allow a longer period for the giving of a notice of appeal but he will not normally be prepared to exercise this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal. The Secretary of State is not required to entertain an appeal if it appears to him that permission for the proposed development could not have been granted by the local planning authority, or could not have been so granted otherwise than subject to the conditions imposed by them, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of the development order, and to any directions given under the order.
- (3) If permission to develop land is refused, or granted subject to conditions, whether by the local planning authority or by the Secretary of State for the Environment and the owner of the land claims that the land has become incapable of reasonably beneficial use in its existing state and cannot be rendered capable of reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted, he may serve on the District Council in which the land is situated, a purchase notice requiring that council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part IX of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971.
- (4) In certain circumstances, a claim may be made against the local planning authority for compensation, where permission is refused or granted subject to conditions by the Secretary of State on appeal or on a reference of the application to him. The circumstances in which such compensation is payable are set out in section 169 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971.

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Reasons for refusal continued.....

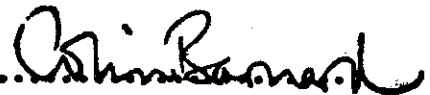
2. The proposal is contrary to Policy No. 53 wherein permission for new offices, extensions to existing offices or changes of use of existing building to offices will normally (in addition to the requirements of Policy No. 54) only be granted where the proposal is located within the commercial area of the town centres of Hemel Hempstead, Berkhamsted and Tring, as defined on the Proposals Map.

3. The site is within the Metropolitan Green Belt on the Approved County Development Plan and in an area referred to in the Approved County Structure Plan (1979) and as shown on the deposited District Plan wherein permission will only be given for use of land, the construction of new buildings, changes of use or extension of existing buildings for agricultural or other essential purposes appropriate to a rural area or small scale facilities for participatory sport or recreation. No such need has been proven and this proposed development is unacceptable in the terms of this policy.

4. The vehicle parking provision within the site as shown on the submitted drawings is inadequate to meet the standards adopted by the local planning authority.

Dated 9th day of April, 1981.

Signed ..



Designation Chief Planning Officer.