

Messrs. A. J. Harry & Co.,  
5 Stephyns Chambers,  
Bank Court,  
Harlowes,  
Hemel Hempstead,  
Herts. HP1 1DB

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Mr. R. Hill

T.4/BER/4/0483/78D

AJH/ST/Fisher

30th May, 1978

Dear Sir,

286/290 High Street, Berkhamsted.

I refer to your letter of 13th April, 1978.

Section 53 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 states:

"If any person who proposes to carry out any operations on land, or to make any change in the use of land, wishes to have it determined whether the carrying out of those operations, or the making of that change, would constitute or involve development of the land, and, if so, whether an application for planning permission in respect thereof is required under this Part of the Act, having regard to the provisions of the development order, he may, either as part of an application for planning permission, or without any such application, apply to the local planning authority to determine that question."

Neither your letter of 13th April nor that of 30th March indicates the nature of any operations or change in use which you propose, and I am, therefore, unable to accept your request for a determination under Section 53.

Yours faithfully,

*AJH*

Director of Technical Services

DACORUM DISTRICT COUNCIL

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1971

The Town and Country Planning General Development Order 1977

Notice under Article 7(5)  
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To: A. J. Harry & Co.  
5, Stephyn's Chambers  
Bank Court  
Moolanes  
Hemel Hempstead

Date: 21<sup>st</sup> April 1978

Location and proposed development ..... Sect. 53 Det. - Use of land for  
sale of cars and workshops for repair of cars at  
286/290 High Street, Berkhamsted

Your application dated ..... 30<sup>th</sup> March 1978 ..... was received  
on ..... 31<sup>st</sup> March 1978 .....

Examination of the forms of application and accompanying plans and documents to ascertain whether your application complies with the statutory requirements has not been completed.

If on further examination, it is found that the application is invalid for failure to comply with such requirements (or for any other reason) a further communication will be sent to you as soon as possible.

If by ..... 25<sup>th</sup> May 1978 ..... you have not received notification that your application is invalid and the authority dealing with your application have not given you notice of their decision (and you have not agreed with them in writing that the period within which their decision shall be given may be extended) you may appeal to the Secretary of State in accordance with Section 36 and 37 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 by notice sent within six months from that date (unless the application has already been referred by this authority to the Secretary of State for the Environment). Appeals must be made on a form which if obtainable from the Department of the Environment.

for J. Noble  
Director of Technical Services.