

TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACTS, 1971 and 1972

DACORUM BOROUGH COUNCIL

To Baptist Union Corporation Ltd.,
4 Southampton Row,
London WC1B 4AB.

Messrs. Stimpsons,
9 Station Road,
Watford,
Herts. WD1 1DY.

Demolition of chapel and erection of dwelling-
house
at Flaunden Baptist Chapel, Birch Lane, Flaunden,
Herts.

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 21st August 1985 and received with sufficient particulars on 22nd August 1985 and shown on the plan(s) accompanying such application.

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

1. The site is within the Metropolitan Green Belt as shown in the Approved County Structure Plan and Approved Dacorum 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 agriculture 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 the development is unacceptable in the terms of this policy.
2. The proposed development will result in the loss of a building which contributes to the character of the Conservation Area as one of special architectural or historic interest, and would have a detrimental effect upon the general character and appearance of that Conservation Area.

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Dated 17th day of October 1985

Signed



Chief Planning Officer

3. The proposed dwelling, by reason of its design and appearance would not, in the opinion of the local planning authority preserve and enhance the character of the Conservation Area and would have a detrimental effect upon the general character of that Conservation Area.

NOTE

1. 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 s.36 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971, within six months of receipt of this notice. (Appeals must be made on a form obtainable from the Secretary of State for the Environment, Tollgate House, Houlton Street, Bristol, BS2 9DJ). 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.
2. 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 Borough 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.
3. 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 s.169 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971.