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Ref. No. 279/61

**ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY OF HERTFORD.**

The Council of the BOROUGH OF.....  
URBAN DISTRICT OF BERKHAMSTED.  
RURAL DISTRICT OF .....

**TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947**

To **Mrs. E.D. Batchelor,**  
**"Lanterns"**  
**Castle Hill.**  
**Berkhamsted, Herts.**

.....  
Site for House or Bungalow  
at in grounds of "Lanterns" Castle Hill,  
.....

Brief description and location of proposed development.

**In Pursuance** of their powers under the above-mentioned Act and the Orders and Regulations for the time being in force thereunder, and under the ~~COUNTY OF HERTFORD (Delegation of Planning Functions) Scheme, 1952~~ the Council on behalf of the Local Planning Authority **hereby refuse** the development proposed by you in your application dated.....6.11.61...... and received with sufficient particulars on.....21.11.61...... and shewn on the plan(s) accompanying such application.

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

**The erection of a further house within the existing curtilage would constitute over development of the land having regard to the character of the locality, and would be detrimental to the amenities of the residents of the existing houses on this and the adjoining property.**

Dated.....21st.....day of.....December,.....1951.

*R. Redden*  
Clerk/Surveyor of the Council.

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 by notice served within one month of receipt of this notice, appeal to the Minister of Housing and Local Government in accordance with Section 16 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947. The Minister has power to allow a longer period for the giving of a Notice of Appeal and he will exercise his power in cases where he is satisfied that the applicant has deferred the giving of notice because negotiations with the local planning authority in regard to the proposed development are in progress. The Minister is not, however, required to entertain such 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 provisions of Section 14 of the Act and 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 Minister of Housing and Local Government, 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 Council of the County Borough or County District in which the land is situated a purchase notice requiring that Council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with Section 19 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947.

(3) In certain circumstances, a claim may be made against the local planning authority or the Minister of Housing and Local Government for compensation, where permission is refused, or granted subject to conditions by the Minister on appeal or on a reference of the application to him. The circumstances in which such compensation is payable are set out in Section 20 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, and Part II of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1954.

**If you wish to have a further explanation of the reason for this decision, it will be given on request and a meeting arranged if necessary.**



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Your reference:

Madam,

Town and Country Planning Act, 1947: Section 16

1. I am directed by the Minister of Housing and Local Government to say that he has considered your appeal against the refusal of the Berkhamsted Urban District Council, acting on behalf of Hertfordshire County Council, to permit the erection of a house or bungalow in part of the garden to the rear of 'The Lanterns', Castle Hill, Berkhamsted. He has considered the representations made in support of the appeal and the council's observations thereon. One of his officers has visited the site.
2. The Minister notes that residential development in the vicinity of the appeal site is of a low density. To the north and east of your house, 'The Lanterns', and the adjoining property, 'Crossfields' is open land while to the south lie the ruins and grounds of Berkhamsted Castle. In his opinion a dwelling on the appeal site would be very cramped and completely out of character with the existing pleasant and well spaced development. The Minister has decided therefore to uphold the planning authority's decision and to dismiss your appeal.

I am, Madam,  
Your obedient Servant,

(Miss E. M. BARBER)

Authorised by the Minister  
to sign in that behalf.

Mrs. E. D. Batchelor,  
'Lanterns',  
Castle Hill,  
BERKHAMSTED,  
Herts.