

THE LAND PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (GUERNSEY) LAW, 2005
AND THE LAND PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (GENERAL PROVISIONS)
ORDINANCE, 2007

NOTIFICATION OF GRANT OF PLANNING PERMISSION

PROPOSALS: Remove section of earth bank to widen vehicle access.

LOCATION: Quelques Fleurs, Damouettes Lane, St. Peter Port.

APPLICANT: Mrs H J Vermeulen

This permission is granted under the terms of Sections 15 and 16 of the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law, 2005 (the 'Law').

Date of Grant of Permission: 01/05/2024

This notification of grant of permission refers solely to the proposals referred to above as described in your application received as valid on 14/03/2024 and the drawings referred to below. This grant of permission is subject to the following conditions:-

Drawing Nos: Block layout plan, Block plan (at 1:100 scale) (both date stamped received 20th February 2024), and elevation drawing (at 1:100 scale) (date stamped received 14th March 2024).

Application Ref: FULL/2024/0342

Property Ref: A409040000

Conditions and reasons:-

1. All development authorised by this permission must be carried out and must be completed in every detail in accordance with the written application, plans and drawings referred to above. No variations to such development amounting to development may be made without the permission of the Authority under the Law.

Reason - To ensure that it is clear that permission is only granted for the development to which the application relates.

2. The development hereby permitted shall be begun within 3 years from the date of grant of this permission.

Reason - This condition reflects section 18(1) of the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law, 2005 which states that planning permission ceases to have effect unless development is commenced within 3 years of the date of grant (or such shorter period as may be specified in the permission).

3. The development hereby permitted and all the operations which constitute or are incidental to that development must be carried out in compliance with all such requirements of The Building (Guernsey) Regulations, 2012 as are applicable to them, and no operation to which such a requirement applies may be commenced or continued unless (i) plans relating to that operation have been approved by the Authority and (ii) it is commenced or, as the case may be, continued, in accordance with that requirement and any further requirements imposed by the Authority when approving those plans, for the purpose of securing that the building regulations are complied with.

Reason - Any planning permission granted under the Law is subject to this condition as stated in section 17(2) of the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law, 2005.

4. Within 2 months of the vehicular access being widened, the end of the earth bank forming the roadside boundary shall be made good to match as closely as possible the existing earth bank, in accordance with the approved details.

Reason - In the interests of visual amenity.

Expiry Date: This permission will cease to have effect on 01/05/2027 unless development is commenced by that date.

ADVICE AND OTHER REMARKS:-

Effect of planning permission:

Section 18 of the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law, 2005 ('the Law') defines the effect of the planning permission hereby granted, namely:

(1) Planning permission ceases to have effect unless the development permitted by it is commenced within a period of three years immediately following the date on which it is granted (or such shorter period as may be specified in the permission).

(2) Planning permission enures for the benefit of the land concerned and of every person for the time being having an interest in it.

(3) Any conditions subject to which planning permission is issued are enforceable in accordance with the provisions of Part V of the Law.

(4) Planning permission for the erection of a building is only permission to use it for the purpose specified in the permission or, subject to any restriction so specified, for any other purpose for which it is designed.

(5) Planning permission is only permission to carry out the development specified in it (subject to any conditions so specified), and does not imply the giving of any other approval or consent required under this Law or any other enactment or under any rule of law.

Right of appeal against planning decisions:

Your attention is drawn to the provisions of Section 68(1) of the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law 2005, which provides a right of appeal, on the merits against a decision to grant planning permission subject to conditions (except a building condition), to the Planning Tribunal, which is independent of the States of Guernsey. An appeal to the Planning Tribunal under section 68 of the Law against this decision must be made before the expiry of the period of six months beginning with the date on which the Authority made this decision. The official Appeal Notice Forms are available on the States of Guernsey website at www.gov.gg/planningpanel and must be completed with all enclosures in multiples as requested and received within the six months deadline.

Copy of representations made:

In reaching this decision the Authority took into account any written consultations made under Section 11(1) of the Land Planning and Development (General Provisions) Ordinance, 2007 ('the Ordinance'). A copy of any consultation responses made under section 11 will be included with this decision in accordance with section 19 of the Ordinance.

Other Remarks:

Please note that any work which abuts or affects the public highway requires prior approval by Traffic and Highway Services. Please contact Traffic & Highway Services (highways@gov.gg) for further advice. You must also ensure that any access/es to the development are constructed to meet the existing road/footway levels in accordance with their requirements.

This document is not a Building Licence and confers no approval under the Building Regulations.

A separate Building Control Licence may be required and it is the responsibility of the developer to ensure that ALL necessary consents are obtained and that any pre-commencement conditions are discharged prior to development being commenced.

A J ROWLES

Director of Planning
Planning Service



PLANNING APPLICATION REPORT

Application No: FULL/2024/0342
Property Ref: A409040000
Valid date: 14/03/2024
Location: Quelques Fleurs Damouettes Lane St. Peter Port Guernsey GY1 1ZT
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Applicant: Mrs H J Vermeulen

RECOMMENDATION - Grant: Planning Permission with Conditions:

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OFFICER'S REPORT

Brief Description of the site:

The application site consists of a detached bungalow located to the west of Damouettes Lane. The site is located Outside of the Centres as designated in the Island Development Plan.

Planning permission is sought to remove a section of the roadside earthbank in order to widen the vehicular access from 4.05m to 5.5m as noted on the elevation drawing submitted. A section of the front lawn will be removed and replaced with concrete to match the existing driveway.

Relevant History:

PREA/2023/1220	Extend dwelling to rear, demolish existing garage, remove earth bank to create additional parking area	Pre-application enquiry
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Existing Use(s):

Residential

Assessment: *(Tick as appropriate)*

no representation	☒	visual amenity acceptable	☒
accords with policy	☒	no material neighbour impact	☒
within curtilage	☒	traffic not affected	☒
design acceptable	☒		

Policies considered most relevant:

GP1 Landscape Character and Open Land
GP8 Design
GP9 Sustainable Development
GP13 Householder Development
IP9 Highway Safety, Accessibility and Capacity

Conclusion/Brief comment:

Policy GP13 (Householder Development) stipulates that proposals for the alteration and/or extension of residential properties within the residential curtilage, will be supported where there are no significant adverse effects on the amenities of neighbouring properties; the design, scale, mass and form would not detract from the open character of open locations; and they do not affect the special interest of Conservation Area. Area of Biodiversity Importance, protected building or protected monument.

While the development will result in the partial loss of a boundary feature which has a positive effect on the landscape character and appearance of the surrounding area, the extent of removal is limited and justified given the narrowness of Damouettes Lane which makes entering and egressing from the site difficult. In addition, the proposed access is similar to other vehicular access widths in the immediate locality.

Consequently, the partial loss of the earth bank in relation to Policy GP1 (Landscape Character and Open Land) has been balanced against, and is outweighed by the general support in favour of householder development as set out in Policy GP13. It is reasonable and necessary to ensure that the earth bank is made good within a reasonable timeframe following the access point being widened.

It is noted that extending the existing driveway in concrete comprises exempt development under the Exemptions Ordinance (2023).

Sufficient information has been submitted that has taken into account the criteria of Policy GP9 (Sustainable Development).

Based on the above, the application is considered compliant with the relevant Island Development Plan policies, and accords with the purpose of the Law and the Material Planning Considerations. It is therefore recommended that planning permission be granted, subject to conditions.

Recommendation:

Grant with Conditions



Date: 29/04/24

