

# **Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed: Erection, Extension or Alteration of a Building for Agricultural or Forestry use**

*Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order (England)  
2015 (as amended) - Schedule 2, Part 6*

## **1. Applicant Name and Address**

Please enter the Applicant Details, including full name and title. Please also enter the house/flat number and/or name (if applicable) and street name in the Street address field. The town, county, country and full postcode should also be entered.

If the application is being submitted by an agent (i.e. someone who is acting on the applicant's behalf) all correspondence, including the decision letter, will be sent to him/her.

## **2. Agent Name and Address**

Please enter the Agent Details, including full name and title. Please also enter the house/flat number and/or name (if applicable) and street name in the Street address field. The town, county, country and full postcode should also be entered.

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### 3. Site Address Details

Please enter the full postal address of the site. Enter the house/flat number and / or name (if appropriate) and street name in the Street address field. The town, county, country and full postcode should also be entered. If the application relates to open ground describe its location as clearly as possible (e.g. 'Land to rear of 12 to 18 High Street' or provide a grid reference).

When you submit a location plan, it is recommended that this is at a scale of 1:1250 or 1:2500, showing at least two named roads and surrounding buildings. The properties shown should be numbered or named to ensure that the exact location of the application site is clear.

The application site must be edged clearly with a red line on the location plan. It should include all land necessary to carry out the proposed development (e.g. land required for access to the site from a public highway, visibility splays (access around a road junction or access, which should be free from obstruction), landscaping, car parking and open areas around buildings).

A blue line must be drawn on the plan around any other land owned by the applicant, close to or adjoining the application site.

All plans must be to a metric scale and any figured dimensions given in metres and a scale bar should be included. Each plan should show the direction of North.

### 4. The Proposed Building

Please provide relevant details of the proposed building.

Permitted Development rights for agricultural and forestry developments are granted in [Schedule 2, Part 6 of The Town and Country Planning \(General Permitted Development\) \(England\) Order 2015 \(as amended\)](#).

- **For agricultural units of 5 hectares or more (Class A)** - Rights for the erection, extension or alteration of a building for the purposes of agriculture are available, subject to certain criteria detailed in the legislation.
- **For agricultural units of at least 0.4 hectares but smaller than 5 hectares (Class B)** - More limited rights, including extensions and alterations adding not more than 20 per cent to the cubic content of the building for the purposes of agriculture are available, subject to certain criteria detailed in the legislation.
- **On land used for the purposes of forestry, including afforestation (Class E)** - Rights for the erection, extension, or alteration of a building reasonably necessary for those purposes are available, subject to certain criteria detailed in the legislation.

## 5. Agricultural and Forestry Developments

'Agricultural unit' means "agricultural land which is occupied as a unit for the purposes of agriculture", see [Schedule 2, Part 6 of The Town and Country Planning \(General Permitted Development\) \(England\) Order 2015 \(as amended\)](#).

On holdings totalling more than 5 hectares, development is not permitted on separate parcels of land of less than 1 hectare. For holdings of less than 5 hectares development is not permitted on separate parcels of land of less than 0.4 hectares. A separate parcel of land is defined as being separated by land in different ownership, or for example, by a public highway.

The reference to a 'metalled road' relates to a hard surfaced including asphalt, concrete, paving stones, bricks and cobbles, etc.

## 6. Planning Application Requirements & Local Level Requirements

There are two levels of requirements, national and local:

- **National** - Use the checklist to ensure that the forms have been correctly completed and that all relevant information is submitted.
- **Local** - The local planning authority will have produced a document (usually available from their website) which details any specific information that is required to accompany the application in addition to the national requirements.

Failure to complete the form correctly or to supply sufficiently detailed drawings or other relevant supporting information may result in your application being returned as invalid.

## 7. Declaration

Please sign and date your application

## 8. Applicant Contact Details

Please provide contact information for the applicant.

## 9. Agent Contact Details

Please provide contact information for the agent.

## 10. Site Visit

Access to the site (i.e. where the works are proposed to take place) may be required by the case officer. Please provide contact details in the event that an appointment needs to be made. This will assist the Council in dealing with your application as quickly as possible.