

HOUSEHOLDER **DRAFT DECISION NOTICE**



WOKINGHAM
BOROUGH COUNCIL

Expiry Date: 19 May 2025

Application Number: 250674

Location: 18 Rochester Avenue, Woodley, Wokingham, RG5 4NA

Proposal: Householder application for the proposed garage conversion into office space plus changes to fenestration (PART - RETROSPECTIVE).

Recommendation: Approve

Conditions and/or Reasons

1. Timescale

The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

Reason: In pursuance of s.91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended by s.51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004).

2. Approved details

This permission is in respect of the submitted application plans and drawings numbered P1593-01 and P1593-02 received by the local planning authority on 19/03/2025. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority.

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt and to ensure that the development is carried out in accordance with the application form and associated details hereby approved.

3. External materials

Except where stated otherwise on the approved drawings, the materials to be used in the construction of the external surfaces of the extension hereby permitted shall be of similar appearance to those used in the existing building, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority.

Reason: To ensure that the external appearance of the building is satisfactory. Relevant policy: Core Strategy policies CP1 and CP3.

4. Non-let/No sale

The garage to office conversion and alterations hereby approved shall be used as ancillary accommodation to the main dwellinghouse and the dwelling shall remain in use as a single dwellinghouse and not be used, sold or sub-let as separate dwellings.

Reason: A separate unit of accommodation of this nature may not be acceptable in this location in the interests of the amenities, character of the area and highway

safety in accordance with Core Strategy Policies CP1, CP3, CP4, and Managing Development Delivery Local Plan Policies CC01, CC07, TB07, TB08.

Informatives

1. The development accords with the policies contained within the adopted / development plan and there are no material considerations that warrant a different decision being taken.
2. The Local Planning Authority has acted positively and proactively in determining this application by assessing the proposal against all material considerations, including planning policies and any representations that may have been received and subsequently determining to grant planning permission in accordance with the presumption in favour of sustainable development as set out in the NPPF.

Recommendation and conditions/reasons agreed:



Date: 15/05/25

REMEMBER - The earliest date for a decision on this application is: **14 April 2025**