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Application for Outline Planning Permission with all matters reserved

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Publication of applications on planning authority websites

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

Site Location

Disclaimer: We can only make recommendations based on the answers given in the questions.

If you cannot provide a postcode, the description of site location must be completed. Please provide the most accurate site description you can, to help locate the site - for example "field to the North of the Post Office".

Number

Suffix

Property Name

Address Line 1

Newlands Farm, north of Mole Road and Church Lane and east of Carter's Hill Lane

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

Town/city

Postcode

Description of site location must be completed if postcode is not known:

Easting (x)

Northing (y)

Description

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

First name

Surname

Company Name

Address

Address line 1

Address line 2

Address line 3

Town/City

County

Country

Postcode

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

Yes

No

Contact Details

Primary number

***** REDACTED *****

Secondary number

***** REDACTED *****

Fax number

Email address

***** REDACTED *****

Agent Details

Name/Company

Title

First name

Rebecca

Surname

Bacon

Company Name

Savills

Address

Address line 1

Wytham Court

Address line 2

11 West Way

Address line 3

Botley

Town/City

Oxford

County

Country

United Kingdom

Postcode

OX2 0QL

Contact Details

Primary number

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Secondary number

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Fax number

Email address

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Description of the Proposal

Please note in regard to:

- **Fire Statements** - From 1 August 2021, planning applications for buildings of over 18 metres (or 7 stories) tall containing more than one dwelling will require a 'Fire Statement' for the application to be considered valid. There are some exemptions. [View government planning guidance on fire statements](#) or [access the fire statement template and guidance](#).
- **Public Service Infrastructure** - From 1 August 2021, applications for certain public service infrastructure developments will be eligible for faster determination timeframes. See help for further details or [view government planning guidance on determination periods](#).

Description

Please describe the proposed development

Outline Planning Application for the comprehensive development of land at Newlands Farm as part of Loddon Valley Garden Village, comprising:

- up to 430 dwellings;
- vehicular, bus, cycle and pedestrian corridor between Mole Road and northern boundary of site, to connect with the proposed Loddon Garden Village spine road;
- new pedestrian and cycle link between Byway ARB03 (Carter's Hill Lane) and Byway ARB08 (Ellis's Hill);
- comprehensive strategic landscaping and network of multi-functional green and blue infrastructure;
- biodiversity enhancements to achieve at least a net gain of 10%; and
- associated utilities, infrastructure, and engineering works.

All matters reserved other than details for the approval of the principal access from Mole Road.

Has the work already been started without planning permission?

Yes
 No

Site Area

What is the measurement of the site area? (numeric characters only).

23.35

Existing Use

Please describe the current use of the site

The site is wholly greenfield except for hedgerows and trees around the boundaries of the site. It consists of agricultural land (mostly Grade 3 but some Grade 4).

Is the site currently vacant?

- Yes
 No

If Yes, please describe the last use of the site

The site is agricultural land.

When did this use end (if known)?

dd/mm/yyyy

Does the proposal involve any of the following? If Yes, you will need to submit an appropriate contamination assessment with your application.

Land which is known to be contaminated

- Yes
 No

Land where contamination is suspected for all or part of the site

- Yes
 No

A proposed use that would be particularly vulnerable to the presence of contamination

- Yes
 No

Residential/Dwelling Units

Does your proposal include the gain, loss or change of use of residential units?

- Yes
 No

Please note: This question is based on the current housing categories and types specified by government.

If your application was started before 23 May 2020, the categories and types shown in this question will now have changed. We recommend that you review any information provided to ensure it is correct before the application is submitted.

Proposed

Please select the housing categories that are relevant to the proposed units

- Market Housing
- Social, Affordable or Intermediate Rent
- Affordable Home Ownership
- Starter Homes
- Self-build and Custom Build

Market Housing

Please specify each type of housing and number of units proposed

Housing Type:

Houses

1 Bedroom:

0

2 Bedroom:

0

3 Bedroom:

0

4+ Bedroom:

0

Unknown Bedroom:

258

Total:

258

Proposed Market Housing

Category Totals

	1 Bedroom Total	2 Bedroom Total	3 Bedroom Total	4+ Bedroom Total	Unknown Bedroom Total	Total
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0	0	0	0	258	258
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Social, Affordable or Intermediate Rent

Please specify each type of housing and number of units proposed

Housing Type:

Houses

1 Bedroom:

0

2 Bedroom:

0

3 Bedroom:

0

4+ Bedroom:

0

Unknown Bedroom:

172

Total:

172

Proposed Social, Affordable or Intermediate Rent Category Totals	1 Bedroom Total	2 Bedroom Total	3 Bedroom Total	4+ Bedroom Total	Unknown Bedroom Total	Total
	0	0	0	0	172	172

Existing

Please select the housing categories for any existing units on the site

- Market Housing
- Social, Affordable or Intermediate Rent
- Affordable Home Ownership
- Starter Homes
- Self-build and Custom Build

Totals

Total proposed residential units

430

Total existing residential units

0

Total net gain or loss of residential units

430

All Types of Development: Non-Residential Floorspace

Does your proposal involve the loss, gain or change of use of non-residential floorspace?

Note that 'non-residential' in this context covers all uses except Use Class C3 Dwellinghouses.

- Yes
- No

Employment

Are there any existing employees on the site or will the proposed development increase or decrease the number of employees?

- Yes
- No

Hours of Opening

Are Hours of Opening relevant to this proposal?

- Yes
- No

Industrial or Commercial Processes and Machinery

Does this proposal involve the carrying out of industrial or commercial activities and processes?

- Yes
- No

Is the proposal for a waste management development?

- Yes
 No

Assessment of Flood Risk

Is the site within an area at risk of flooding? (Check the location on the Government's [Flood map for planning](#). You should also refer to national [standing advice](#) and your local planning authority requirements for information as necessary.)

- Yes
 No

Is your proposal within 20 metres of a watercourse (e.g. river, stream or beck)?

- Yes
 No

Will the proposal increase the flood risk elsewhere?

- Yes
 No

How will surface water be disposed of?

- Sustainable drainage system
 Existing water course
 Soakaway
 Main sewer
 Pond/lake

Biodiversity net gain

Biodiversity net gain is a legal requirement for planning permission introduced on 12 February 2024. All applications are required to either provide detailed information proving there will be a biodiversity increase; or explain why the requirement does not apply to the development.

Do you believe that, if the development is granted permission, the general Biodiversity Gain Condition (as set out in [Paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 \(as amended\)](#)) would apply?

- Yes
 No

Please provide the pre-development biodiversity value of onsite habitats on the date of calculation

53.75

Please provide the date the onsite pre-development biodiversity value was calculated

11/11/2025

Note: This should be either the date of the application, or an earlier proposed date

If an earlier date, to the date of the planning application, has been used, please provide details why this date has been used

When was the version of the biodiversity metric used published?

25/07/2025

Please provide the reference or supporting document/plan names for the:

- i. Biodiversity metric calculation
- ii. Onsite irreplaceable habitats (if applicable)
- iii. Onsite habitats existing on the date of the application for planning permission (if applicable)

Document/Plan:

Biodiversity metric calculation

Document name/reference:

Newlands Farm BNG Metric (with trees)

Document/Plan:

Biodiversity metric calculation

Document name/reference:

Newlands Farm BNG (without trees)

Note: You must supply a complete biodiversity metric calculation with your application. Plans must be drawn to an identified scale, and show the direction of North.

Has there been any loss (or degradation) of any onsite habitat(s), resulting from activities carried out before the date the onsite pre-development biodiversity value was calculated. Either:

- on or after 30 January 2020 which were not in accordance with a planning permission; or
- on or after 25 August 2023 which were in accordance with a planning permission?

Yes

No

Does the development site have irreplaceable habitats (corresponding to the descriptions in [Column 1 of the Schedule in the Biodiversity Gain Requirements \(Irreplaceable Habitat\) Regulations \(2023\)](#)) which are:

- i. on land to which the application relates; and
- ii. exist on the date of the application for planning permission, (or an earlier agreed date)

Yes

No

Please provide details

The onsite Lowland mixed deciduous woodland is an irreplaceable habitat, though this will not be impacted by the development.

Site Visit

Can the site be seen from a public road, public footpath, bridleway or other public land?

Yes

No

If the planning authority needs to make an appointment to carry out a site visit, whom should they contact?

- The agent
- The applicant
- Other person

Pre-application Advice

Has assistance or prior advice been sought from the local authority about this application?

Yes

No

If Yes, please complete the following information about the advice you were given (this will help the authority to deal with this application more efficiently):

Officer name:

Title

First Name

Surname

 **** REDACTED *****

Reference

Date (must be pre-application submission)

 23/07/2025

Details of the pre-application advice received

Please refer to Planning Statement.

Authority Employee/Member

With respect to the Authority, is the applicant and/or agent one of the following:

- (a) a member of staff
- (b) an elected member
- (c) related to a member of staff
- (d) related to an elected member

It is an important principle of decision-making that the process is open and transparent.

For the purposes of this question, "related to" means related, by birth or otherwise, closely enough that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts, would conclude that there was bias on the part of the decision-maker in the Local Planning Authority.

Do any of the above statements apply?

- Yes
 No

Ownership Certificates and Agricultural Land Declaration

Certificates under Article 14 - Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (as amended)

Please answer the following questions to determine which Certificate of Ownership you need to complete: A, B, C or D.

Is the applicant the sole owner of all the land to which this application relates; and has the applicant been the sole owner for more than 21 days?

- Yes
 No

Is any of the land to which the application relates part of an Agricultural Holding?

- Yes
 No

Can you give appropriate notice to all the other owners/agricultural tenants? (Select 'Yes' if there are no other owners/agricultural tenants)

- Yes
 No

Certificate Of Ownership - Certificate B

I certify/ The applicant certifies that:

- I have/The applicant has given the requisite notice to everyone else (as listed below) who, on the day 21 days before the date of this application, was the owner* and/or agricultural tenant** of any part of the land or building to which this application relates; or
 The applicant is the sole owner of all the land or buildings to which this application relates and there are no other owners* and/or agricultural tenants**.

* "owner" is a person with a freehold interest or leasehold interest with at least 7 years left to run.

** "agricultural tenant" has the meaning given in section 65(8) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Name of Owner/Agricultural Tenant:

***** REDACTED *****

House name:

Newland Farm

Number:

Suffix:

Address line 1:

Arborfield Cross

Address Line 2:

Town/City:

Reading

Postcode:

RG2 9JH

Date notice served (DD/MM/YYYY):

06/11/2025

Person Family Name:

Name of Owner/Agricultural Tenant:

***** REDACTED *****

House name:

Civic Offices

Number:

Suffix:

Address line 1:

Shute End

Address Line 2:

Town/City:

Wokingham

Postcode:

RG40 1BN

Date notice served (DD/MM/YYYY):

06/11/2025

Person Family Name:

Person Role

- The Applicant
 The Agent

Title

First Name

Surname

Declaration Date

Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Outline planning permission: All matters reserved as described in the questions answered, details provided, and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information.

I/We confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the person(s) giving them.

I/We also accept that, in accordance with the Planning Portal's terms and conditions:

- Once submitted, this information will be made available to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be published as part of a public register and on the authority's website;
- Our system will automatically generate and send you emails in regard to the submission of this application.

I / We agree to the outlined declaration

Signed

Amelia Powell

Date

11/11/2025