



**WOKINGHAM
BOROUGH COUNCIL**

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACTS

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990:
SECTION 191 AND 192**

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING
(DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE)
(ENGLAND) ORDER 2015: ARTICLE 39**

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NOTIFICATION OF REFUSAL OF CERTIFICATE OF LAWFUL PROPOSED USE OR DEVELOPMENT

Application Number: 250144
Applicant Name: Mr Jinder Rahi
Site Address: Silver Birches, Heath Ride, Finchampstead,
Wokingham, RG40 3QJ
Proposal: Application for a certificate of lawfulness for the
proposed erection of a detached pool house including
lower ground floor level, outdoor swimming pool and
associated structures to rear.
Date of Decision: 21 March 2025

Wokingham Borough Council hereby certifies that on 28 January 2025 (being the date of application for this certificate), and subject to any conditions and/or informatives below, the operations described in the First Schedule to this certificate in respect of the land specified in the Second Schedule hereto and edged red on the plan attached to this certificate, **would not have been lawful** within the meaning of section 192 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended), for the following reason(s):

1. The proposed erection of a detached pool house including lower ground floor level, outdoor swimming pool and associated structures to rear constitutes development requiring planning permission. Permission is not available under Article 3 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015, because the proposal is outside the curtilage of the dwellinghouse and not for a purpose incidental to the enjoyment of the dwellinghouse. The proposed development is therefore not in accordance with Schedule 2 (Part 1) (Class E) of the Order.
2. The proposed erection of a detached pool house including lower ground floor level, outdoor swimming pool and associated structures to rear constitutes development requiring planning permission. Permission is not available under Article 3 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015,

because the proposal has more than one storey and would exceed the building height limitations as set out within Schedule 2 (Part 1) (Class E) of the Order.

3. The proposed erection of a detached pool house including lower ground floor level, outdoor swimming pool and associated structures to rear constitutes development requiring planning permission. Permission is not available under Article 3 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015, because the excavation of a large basement is likely to constitute an engineering operation separately to the building operations. As such, the proposed development would not qualify for permitted development.

Informatives

1. This decision is issued in respect of plans numbered (9107-104) (9107-105) (9107-106) (9107-107) (9107-108) received by the Local Planning Authority on 22/01/2025.

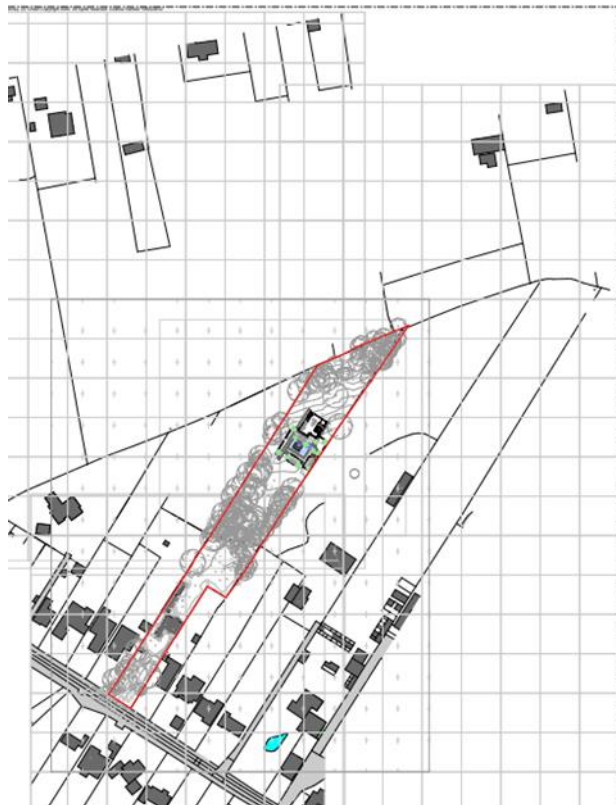
FIRST SCHEDULE

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SECOND SCHEDULE

Address: Silver Birches, Heath Ride, Finchampstead, Wokingham, RG40 3QJ

PLAN



Signed

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Marcia Head

Head of Development Management - Place & Growth

Date: 21 March 2025

PLEASE READ THE NOTES ISSUED WITH THIS DECISION NOTICE BELOW



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Other statutory legislation: This decision notice relates to the above stated acts and regulations only and does not constitute approval under any other legislation.

Tree Preservation Order: This decision notice does not give consent for any work that may be required as a result of the development above to a tree protected by a tree preservation order. You should apply separately for works to trees through the [Planning Portal website](#).

Community Infrastructure Levy: If the application includes 100 sqm or more of new floor area then it is liable for the community infrastructure levy.

The Town & Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) Order: This decision has been made in accordance with the requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and in the requirement to work with the applicant in a positive and proactive manner.

Officer Report: An officer report explaining the decision will be available to view online.

Appeals to the Secretary of State: If your application has been **refused** by the Borough Council or **granted subject to conditions** that you are not happy with, you have the right to appeal to the Planning Inspectorate (under Section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 or Section 20 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990). There is **no time** limit for the submission of appeals in respect of certificates of lawful proposed use/development.

The Planning Inspectorate is an Executive Agency reporting to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government. The Inspectorate has an online appeals service as set out on the [.gov.uk](#) website which contains information and guides on the appeal process. Alternatively you can obtain a form from the Planning Inspectorate at Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN, 0303 444 5000 or through the [Planning Inspectorate website](#). Please note all documents will be published online by the Planning Inspectorate

and therefore you should not include personal information you do not wish to be displayed in this way. This includes personal information of third parties.

Gas Mains and Services: Building over a gas main or service that is located within your site could cause damage to pipework or potential gas leaks within buildings. You should check for information relating to services within your site at [Home - LinesearchbeforeUdig \(lsbud.co.uk\)](http://lsbud.co.uk) and contact the Plant Protection Team at SGN on 0800 912 1722 or plantlocation@sgn.co.uk.

Building Control: The development subject to this certificate may also require Building Regulation approval to ensure it is built to national safety, design, and environmental standards. The Council's Local Authority Building Control (LABC) service offers a full range of plan approval, inspection, and associated services through an ISO9001 nationally accredited team of qualified building surveyors. These surveyors work closely with the Council's planning department to ensure the appropriate construction of your build. To find out more visit the Council's Building Control website or call 0300 790 0580 to speak to a member of the team.