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Application for Planning Permission

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

Thornwood

Address Line 1

Canhurst Lane

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

Wokingham

Town/city

Knowl Hill

Postcode

RG10 9XU

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

Easting (x)

481946

Northing (y)

179220

Description

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

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First name

John and Claire

Surname

Williams and McLoughlin

Company Name

Address

Address line 1

Thornwood

Address line 2

Canhurst Lane

Address line 3

Town/City

Knowl Hill

County

Wokingham

Country

Postcode

RG10 9XU

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

- [x] Yes
- [ ] No

Applicant Contact Details

Primary number

Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

[redacted]

Agent Details

Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

Michael

Surname

Robinson

Company Name

HAM

Address

Address line 1

1-4 The Sheds

Address line 2

Dairy Lane

Address line 3

Hambleden

Town/City

Henley-on-Thames

County

Country

GB

Postcode

RG9 3AS

Contact Details

Primary number

[redacted]

Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

[redacted]

Site Area

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

0.19

Unit

Hectares

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.
- **Permission In Principle** - If you are applying for Technical Details Consent on a site that has been granted Permission In Principle, please include the relevant details in the description below.
- **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 details of the proposed development or works including any change of use

Demolition of existing dwelling. Erection of a replacement dwelling and related external works.

Has the work or change of use already started?

◯ Yes
⊘ No

Existing Use

Please describe the current use of the site

C3 Dwellinghouse.

Is the site currently vacant?

◯ Yes
⊘ No

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

Materials

Does the proposed development require any materials to be used externally?

⊘ Yes
◯ No

Please provide a description of existing and proposed materials and finishes to be used externally (including type, colour and name for each material)

Type:
Walls

Existing materials and finishes:
Brickwork painted white

Proposed materials and finishes:
Handmade brickwork, raked lime mortar pointing. Brickwork limewashed and lime painted white.

Type:
Roof

Existing materials and finishes:
Blue slate.

Proposed materials and finishes:
Grey blue riven slate (partly reclaimed from existing roof) with traditional hand finished leading edge.

Type:
Windows

Existing materials and finishes:
Timber, painted.

Proposed materials and finishes:
Traditional hand painted external joinery set 110mm back from brickwork face with smooth rendered external reveals.

Type:
Doors

Existing materials and finishes:
Timber and upvc

Proposed materials and finishes:
Traditional hand painted external joinery.

Are you supplying additional information on submitted plans, drawings or a design and access statement?

- [x] Yes
- [ ] No

If Yes, please state references for the plans, drawings and/or design and access statement

1011-LP-003-A-Topographical Survey
1011-LP-010-A-Existing Ground Floor Plan
1011-LP-011-A-Existing First Floor Plan
1011-LP-012-A-Existing Roof Plan
1011-LP-200-A-Existing Elevations - Sheet 1
1011-LP-201-A-Existing Elevations - Sheet 2
TWH-P-007 (PD Fallback Site Plan)
TWH-P-008 (PD Fallback Floor Plans)
TWH-P-009 (PD Fallback Elevations)
TWH_P_001-Proposed Block Plan
TWH_P_002-Site Plan
TWH_P_003-Proposed Plans
TWH_P_004-Proposed Roof Plan
TWH_P_005-Proposed Elevations
TWH_P_006-Volume Calcs
2026-06-04 PEA BRA Thornwood House June 2026
Thornwood form_1_cil_additional_information (02-0902026)
Thornwood Outline ES and Embodied Carbon Statement
Thornwood DAS (final version September 2026)
Thornwood PD Fallback compliance and review (final version September 2026)

Pedestrian and Vehicle Access, Roads and Rights of Way

Is a new or altered vehicular access proposed to or from the public highway?

◯ Yes
⊘ No

Is a new or altered pedestrian access proposed to or from the public highway?

◯ Yes
⊘ No

Are there any new public roads to be provided within the site?

◯ Yes
⊘ No

Are there any new public rights of way to be provided within or adjacent to the site?

◯ Yes
⊘ No

Do the proposals require any diversions/extinguishments and/or creation of rights of way?

◯ Yes
⊘ No

Vehicle Parking

Does the site have any existing vehicle/cycle parking spaces or will the proposed development add/remove any parking spaces?

⊘ Yes
◯ No

Please provide information on the existing and proposed number of on-site parking spaces

Vehicle Type:
Cars

Existing number of spaces:
3

Total proposed (including spaces retained):
3

Difference in spaces:
0

Trees and Hedges

Are there trees or hedges on the proposed development site?

- [x] Yes
- [ ] No

And/or: Are there trees or hedges on land adjacent to the proposed development site that could influence the development or might be important as part of the local landscape character?

- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

You may need to provide a full tree survey, at the discretion of the local planning authority. If a tree survey is required, this and the accompanying plan should be submitted alongside the application.

The local planning authority should make clear on its website what the survey should contain, in accordance with the current 'BS5837: Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations'.

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
- [x] No

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

- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

Will the proposal increase the flood risk elsewhere?

- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

How will surface water be disposed of?

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

Biodiversity and Geological Conservation

Is there a reasonable likelihood of the following being affected adversely or conserved and enhanced within the application site, or on land adjacent to or near the application site?

To assist in answering this question correctly, please refer to the help text which provides guidance on determining if any important biodiversity or geological conservation features may be present or nearby; and whether they are likely to be affected by the proposals.

a) Protected and priority species

◯ Yes, on the development site
◯ Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
⊘ No

b) Designated sites, important habitats or other biodiversity features

◯ Yes, on the development site
◯ Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
⊘ No

c) Features of geological conservation importance

◯ Yes, on the development site
◯ Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
⊘ No

Supporting information requirements

Where a development proposal is likely to affect features of biodiversity or geological conservation interest, you will need to submit, with the application, sufficient information and assessments to allow the local planning authority to determine the proposal.

Failure to submit all information required will result in your application being deemed invalid. It will not be considered valid until all information required by the local planning authority has been submitted.

Your local planning authority will be able to advise on the content of any assessments that may be required.

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

Biodiversity net gain has been introduced as a general condition for planning permission. As set out in The Environment Act 2021: "grants of planning permission in England [are] to be subject to a condition to secure that the biodiversity gain objective is met". Therefore, in England, all planning permissions are generally subject to biodiversity gain rules, unless they are specifically exempt or out of scope.

If you have stated that the biodiversity net gain requirement does not apply to your application you must provide the reason(s) why, and may also need to supply evidence (especially where you believe the application is eligible for the 'de minimis' exemption).

Please add all the reasons why biodiversity net gain does not apply and enter a justification for each one

Reason biodiversity net gain does not apply:
Development subject to the de minimis exemption (development below the threshold)

Do you confirm that the development falls below the impact threshold and that no onsite priority habitats are impacted?:
Yes

Please justify the reason why biodiversity net gain does not apply:
Less than 25 square metres of on-site habitat will be lost as the proposed replacement dwelling would be situated over existing built form and areas of existing hardstanding. There is also no hedgerow lost as a result of the development. Nor are any irreplaceable priority habitats affected. Please also note that the site area is below the 0.2 hectare exemption threshold introduced in August 2026.

Please read the help text for further information why developments may be exempt or not in scope.

Evidence for 'de minimis' exemption claim

Government guidance strongly encourages the provision of evidence (e.g. plans and metric calculations) to allow the local authority to validate your exemption claim, even where the site is zero rated. Failure to submit sufficient information may result in your application being deemed invalid, delaying progress until it is provided.

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

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

dd/mm/yyyy

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

Please provide the projected post-development biodiversity value

Please provide the reference for any document or supporting file (for example, the completed biodiversity metric calculation) that supports the values and justification above and will allow the local planning authority to confirm that the impact on on-site habitats falls below the de minimis threshold, taking into account any on-site priority habitats.

Foul Sewage

Please state how foul sewage is to be disposed of:

- [x] Mains sewer
- [ ] Septic tank
- [ ] Package treatment plant
- [ ] Cess pit
- [ ] Other
- [ ] Unknown

Are you proposing to connect to the existing drainage system?

- (x) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) Unknown

If Yes, please include the details of the existing system on the application drawings and state the plan(s)/drawing(s) references

TWH-P-002-Proposed Site Plan

Waste Storage and Collection

Do the plans incorporate areas to store and aid the collection of waste?

- [x] Yes
- [ ] No

If Yes, please provide details:

As per existing site arrangements.

Have arrangements been made for the separate storage and collection of recyclable waste?

- [x] Yes
- [ ] No

If Yes, please provide details:

Utilising the existing council supplied domestic bin and collection services.

Trade Effluent

Does the proposal involve the need to dispose of trade effluents or trade waste?

- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

Residential/Dwelling Units

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

- [x] 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

- [x] 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:
1

Unknown Bedroom:
0

Total:
1

Proposed Market Housing Category Totals	1 Bedroom Total	2 Bedroom Total	3 Bedroom Total	4+ Bedroom Total	Unknown Bedroom Total	Total
	0	0	0	1	0	1

Existing

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

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

Market Housing

Please specify each existing type of housing and number of units on the site

Housing Type:
Houses

1 Bedroom:
0

2 Bedroom:
0

3 Bedroom:
0

4+ Bedroom:
1

Unknown Bedroom:
0

Total:
1

Existing Market Housing Category Totals	1 Bedroom Total	2 Bedroom Total	3 Bedroom Total	4+ Bedroom Total	Unknown Bedroom Total	Total
	0	0	0	1	0	1

Totals

Total proposed residential units: 1

Total existing residential units: 1

Total net gain or loss of residential units: 0

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

Hazardous Substances

Does the proposal involve the use or storage of Hazardous Substances?

◯ Yes
⊘ No

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

[redacted]

Surname

[redacted]

Reference

[redacted]

Date (must be pre-application submission)

18/03/2026

Details of the pre-application advice received

Advice confirmed there is scope for a suitably designed replacement dwelling, noting the site benefits from large grounds and concentrated built form on the northern edge, meaning the majority of land would remain open. The proposal largely utilises these previously developed areas (such as patios) to limit encroachment onto open land. No objection was raised in principle to the design approach proposed for the replacement dwelling. The officer noted that a full application should be supported by a comparable fallback scheme, including detailed floor plans and elevations of the PD-compliant extensions, to allow for a robust comparison of the volumetric and spatial impacts on the Green Belt.

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? E.g. All the land is owned by a single individual

⊘ Yes
◯ No

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

◯ Yes
⊘ No

Certificate Of Ownership - Certificate A

I certify/The applicant certifies that on the day 21 days before the date of this application nobody except myself/ the applicant was the owner* of any part of the land or building to which the application relates, and that none of the land to which the application relates is, or is part of, an agricultural holding**

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

**** "agricultural holding" has the meaning given by reference to the definition of "agricultural tenant" in section 65(8) of the Act.**

NOTE: You should sign Certificate B, C or D, as appropriate, if you are the sole owner of the land or building to which the application relates but the land is, or is part of, an agricultural holding.

Person Role

◯ The Applicant
⊘ The Agent

Title

Mr

First Name

Michael

Surname

Robinson

Declaration Date

03/09/2026

☑ Declaration made

Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Full planning permission 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

[redacted]

Date

30/09/2026