

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990  
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THE TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING  
(DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2015**

**APPLICATION FOR FULL PLANNING PERMISSION**

To: John Woods  
Heath Copse  
Wolverton Road  
Baughurst  
Tadley  
RG26 5JH

Application No: 201548  
Application type: Householder

**Applicant:** Juliette Caton

READING BOROUGH COUNCIL as Local Planning Authority **REFUSE** planning permission for the following development.

**Proposal:** Single storey side extension with roof garden

**At:** 75 Southcote Lane Reading RG30 3AQ

For the attached reasons

**PLEASE READ THE NOTES ISSUED WITH THIS DECISION NOTICE**

Date: 18 March 2021



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Head of Planning, Development  
& Regulatory Services

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### **REASONS FOR REFUSAL**

1. Due to its width and depth, the extension would have an over-scaled appearance disproportionate to the original dwelling. In combination with its lack of set back from the principal elevation, the extension would not be a subservient addition. The extent of flat roof is not an acceptable design solution. The resultant extension would cause detrimental harm the character and appearance of the original dwelling. The proposal is therefore of poor design which is contrary to Policies CC7 and H9 of the Reading Borough Local Plan (2019) and the Council's Supplementary Planning Guidance - A Design Guide to House Extensions (2003).

2. By virtue of its height and proximity to the shared boundary, significant overlooking would occur to the rear of 73 Southcote Lane from the proposed roof garden. This would cause a significant detrimental impact to the residential amenities of the occupants of 73 Southcote Lane in terms of loss of privacy through overlooking. The proposal is therefore contrary to Policies CC8 and H9 of the Reading Borough Local Plan (2019) and the Council's Supplementary Planning Guidance - A Design Guide to House Extensions (2003).

### **INFORMATIVES**

1. The refusal relates only to the following plans and drawings as received by the Local Planning Authority on 15/01/21:

Drawing No: 07 20 7858A Rev. B - Proposed Floor and Roof Plans, Elevations and Section

2. The Local Planning Authority has worked positively and proactively with the applicant to see if relevant concerns could be resolved to allow permission to be granted. However, that has not been possible within the prescribed target or agreed extended timescale and therefore the decision to refuse planning permission has been taken.

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## NOTES

### APPEALS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE

If you are aggrieved by the decision of the Council to refuse permission for the proposed development or to grant it subject to conditions, then you can appeal to the Secretary of State under section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

If this is a decision on a planning application relating to the same or substantially the same land and development as is already the subject of an enforcement notice, if you want to appeal against the Council's decision on the application you must do so within 28 days of the date of this notice.

If an enforcement notice is served relating to the same or substantially the same land and development as in your application and you want to appeal against the Council's decision on your application, you must do so within 28 days of the date of service of the enforcement notice, or within 6 months (or 12 weeks in the case of a householder appeal) of the date of this notice, whichever period expires earlier.

If the above circumstances do not apply, any appeal must be made within the following time limits:

If this is a householder application and you want to appeal against the Council's decision then you must do so within 12 weeks of the date of this notice. If this is an advertisement application and you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 8 weeks of the date of this notice. If you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision for any other type of application (which is not a householder or advertisement application, or an application for a Certificate of Lawfulness) then you must do so within 6 months of the date of this notice.

Appeals can be made online at: <https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate>.

If you are unable to access the online appeal form, please contact the Planning Inspectorate to obtain a paper copy of the appeal form on tel: 0303 444 5000.

The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal but will not normally be prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.

The Secretary of State need not consider an appeal if it seems to the Secretary of State that the local planning authority could not have granted planning permission for the proposed development or could not have granted it without the conditions they imposed, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of any development order and to any directions given under a development order.

If you intend to submit an appeal that you would like examined by inquiry then you must notify the Local Planning Authority and Planning Inspectorate ([inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk](mailto:inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk)) at least 10 days before submitting the appeal. Further details are on GOV.UK.

### Purchase Notices

If either the Local Planning Authority or the Secretary of State refuses permission to develop land or grants it subject to conditions, the owner may claim that he can neither put the land to a reasonably beneficial use in its existing state nor render the land capable of a reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted. In these circumstances, the owner may serve a purchase notice on the Council in whose area the land is situated. This notice will require the Council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part VI of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.