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**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: The Keen Partnership
The Courtyard
Edinburgh Road
Reading
RG30 2UA

Application No: 240088
Application type: Full Planning Approval

Applicant: Mr Nino Bartolomei

READING BOROUGH COUNCIL as Local Planning Authority **GRANT FULL** planning permission for the following development in accordance with the plans and supporting information submitted in connection with this application.

Proposal: Convert and change use of Class E ground floor and C3 dwelling first floor, into 1no. 3 bedroom house incorporating basement

At: 17 St Johns Road Reading RG1 4EB

Subject to such conditions and for such reasons as may be attached

**OTHER STATUTORY CONSENTS MAY BE REQUIRED
PLEASE READ THE NOTES ISSUED WITH THIS DECISION NOTICE**

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CONDITIONS & REASONS

1. The development hereby permitted shall begin no later than three years from the date of this planning permission.

REASON: In pursuance of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended by Section 51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004) in order to prevent an accumulation of unimplemented planning permissions.

2. The development hereby permitted shall ONLY be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans:

Dwg No. 9295-108 Proposed Plans REV C

Dwg No. 9295-101 Existing Block & Proposed Block Plan REV C

Dwg No. 9295-112 Proposed Elevations REV C

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

3. No development shall commence until a schedule of the materials to be used in the construction of the external surfaces, including samples, of the development hereby permitted have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be carried out and thereafter maintained in accordance with the details approved unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

REASON: These details are required due to insufficient information being contained within this submission and in the interests of visual amenity and ensuring the new development responds positively to the local context and character in accordance with Policy CC7 of the Reading Borough Local Plan 2019

4. No development shall commence on site, including any works of demolition, until a site specific Construction Method Statement has been submitted to and been approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The Statement shall provide for:

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- a) Space on site where vehicles of site operatives and visitors can be parked with details of how site operatives and visitors will be required to make use of the parking area provided;
- b) Location on site for storage of plant and materials used in constructing the development;
- c) The erection and maintenance (including removal of any graffiti or fly posters) of security hoarding around the site;
- d) Identification of any footpath closures or road closures needed during construction;
- e) Required wheel washing facilities on site;
- f) A scheme for recycling waste resulting from the construction works.
- g) Measures for controlling the use of site lighting whether required for safe working or for security purposes;
- h) Required measures to control the emission of dust, dirt and other airborne pollutants during demolition and construction;
- i) Provisions to be made for the control of noise coming from the site during demolition and construction

The measures within the approved Statement shall be adhered to throughout the demolition and construction period unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

REASON: These details are required due to insufficient information being contained within this submission and in the interests of protecting the amenity of local land uses or neighbouring residents, the character of the area and highway safety in accordance with Policy CC8 and TR3 of the Reading Borough Local Plan 2019.

5. Prior to first occupation/use of the building hereby approved, a scheme of hard and soft landscaping shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. This scheme shall specify means of treatment for hard surfaced areas, means of enclosure including mammal gaps where appropriate, specify species, planting sizes, spacing and numbers of trees/shrubs to be planted (including replacement trees and tree pit specifications where appropriate, and must include a maintenance programme detailing all operations to be carried out in order to allow successful establishment of planting.

Planting shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details in the first planting and seeding seasons following the first occupation of the development or in accordance with a timetable agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority prior to first occupation. Any trees or plants which, within a period of 5 years from the date of planting, die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased shall be replaced in the next planting season with others of similar size and species, to be agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

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REASON: In the interest of ensuring that the landscaping of the development enhances the visual local environment and in accordance with Policy CC7 of the Reading Borough Local Plan 2019.

6. Prior to first occupation of the development hereby approved, a plan indicating the positions, design, materials, and type of boundary treatment to be erected, shall be submitted, including samples thereof, to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Where appropriate the boundary treatment shall including the provision of mammal gaps. The boundary treatment shall be implemented in accordance with the approved plan before the development is occupied or otherwise in accordance with a timescale agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

REASON: In order to protect the privacy of adjoining and future occupiers and in the interests of the visual amenities of the locality and local wildlife in accordance with Policy CC7 and EN12 of the Reading Borough Local Plan 2019.

7. No development shall commence on site until full details of the vehicle access serving the development has been submitted to an approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The vehicle access shall thereafter be constructed in accordance with the approved details prior to first occupation.

REASON: In the interests of road safety in accordance with Policy TR1 and TR3 of the Reading Local Plan 2019.

8. The development hereby permitted shall not be occupied until one vehicle parking space has been provided in accordance with the plans hereby approved. The space shall be kept available for parking at all times thereafter.

REASON: To ensure that the development is provided with adequate parking facilities to meet the needs of future occupiers and reduce the likelihood of roadside parking which could be a danger to other road users in accordance with Policy TR3 and TR5 of the Reading Local Plan 2019.

9. The development hereby permitted shall not be first occupied until the bicycle parking facility for that dwelling/building has been provided in accordance with the plans hereby approved. The facility shall be kept available for bicycle parking at all times thereafter.

REASON: To encourage travel by sustainable alternatives to driving a motorcar in accordance with Policy TR1 and TR5 of the Reading Local Plan 2019.

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10. Prior to first occupation of the development hereby approved, the refuse and recycling storage facility shall be implemented fully in accordance with those details shown on the approved plans and thereafter retained for use by occupiers of the dwelling/building at all times.

REASON: In the interests of the visual amenity of the area and to ensure that bins can be easily accessed when required in accordance with Policy CC7 of the Reading Local Plan 2019.

11. The development hereby permitted shall not be occupied until written verification has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority demonstrating that the dwellings hereby permitted have achieved a minimum of a 19% improvement in the dwelling emission rate over the target emission rate as defined in The Building Regulations for England Approved Document L1a: Conservation of Fuel and Power in New Dwellings (2013 edition), and built to the higher water efficiency standard under Regulation 36(3). Such evidence shall be in the form of an 'As Built' Standard Assessment Procedure (SAP), produced by an accredited energy assessor.

REASON: To ensure that the development is carried out in accordance with sustainable building standards in accordance with Policy CC2 and H5 of the Reading Borough Local Plan 2019.

12. Notwithstanding the provisions of Part 1, Schedule 2, Article 3, of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (or any order revoking or re-enacting that Order with or without modification), no development within Class A (enlargement, improvement or other alteration), Class D (erection or construction of a porch outside any external door) or Class E (building or enclosure, swimming or other pool required for a purpose incidental to the enjoyment of the dwellinghouse) shall be carried out within the curtilage of the dwelling without express planning permission from the Local Planning Authority.

REASON: Due to the constrained nature of the site and as unrestricted development could harm the amenities of neighbouring properties through overlooking or being overbearing and harm the appearance of the main house and the area in general and should therefore be controlled in accordance with Policy CC7 and CC8 of the Reading Borough Local Plan 2019.

13. The roof areas of the development hereby approved shall not be used as a balcony, roof garden or similar amenity area without the grant of further specific planning permission from the Local Planning Authority.

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REASON: To safeguard the amenities of the adjoining premises from overlooking and loss of privacy in accordance with Policy CC8 and H9 of the Reading Borough Local Plan 2019.

14. No construction, demolition or associated deliveries shall take place outside the hours of 0800hrs to 1800hrs Mondays to Fridays, and 0800hrs to 1300hrs on Saturdays, and not at any time on Sundays and Bank or Statutory Holidays without prior written approval from the Local Planning Authority.

REASON: In order to protect occupiers of nearby properties from unreasonable disturbance from works connected with implementing this permission in accordance with Policy CC8 of the Reading Borough Local Plan 2019.

15. No materials or green waste produced as a result of the clearance of the site, demolition works or construction works associated with the development hereby approved shall be burnt on site.

REASON: In the interests of air quality, the amenity of neighbours, and to promote more sustainable approaches to waste management in accordance with Policy CC8 of the Reading Borough Local Plan 2019.

16. The development hereby approved shall be first occupied until the Local Planning Authority has been notified in writing of the full postal address of the unit(s) hereby approved. The notification shall be sent to the Local Planning Authority quoting the application reference specified on this Notice.

REASON: In order that the Council can update its records to ensure that parking permits are not automatically issued to the occupiers of the new residential units hereby approved, and thus ensure that the development does not harm the existing amenities of the occupiers of neighbouring residential properties by adding to the already high level of on street car parking in the area in accordance with Policy TR3 and TR5 of the Reading Local Plan 2019.

17. Prior to any agreement being entered into for a new occupation of, or transfer of any interest in, the development hereby approved, the prospective occupier/transferee shall be informed that there is no automatic entitlement to a car parking permit for any existing residential parking permit schemes and future schemes on adjacent and surrounding streets. All material used for advertising or marketing the residential unit(s) for letting or sale shall make it clear to prospective tenants and occupiers that they will not be automatically entitled to a parking permit, but any application for a parking permit will be considered on its merits.

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REASON: In order that the prospective occupiers are made aware of the fact that while they can submit an application they will not be automatically entitled to an on-street car parking permit. In the interests of the proper management of parking, and to ensure that the development does not harm the existing amenities of the occupiers of neighbouring residential properties by adding to the already high level of on street car parking in the area Policy TR3 and TR5 of the Reading Local Plan 2019.

INFORMATIVES

1. The Local Planning Authority has worked positively and proactively with the applicant to resolve relevant matters to allow permission to be granted within the prescribed target or agreed extended timescale for the decision to be issued.
2. In accordance with Article 35 (DMPO 2015) some conditions have been highlighted to make clear that they require approval from the Local Planning Authority before any development begins. This is because the details need to be designed or works implemented before any other works start on the site or are of a nature that it would be impractical to consider after work has started.
- 3.i) The attention of the applicant is drawn to Section 59 of the Highways Act 1980, which enables the Highway Authority to recover expenses due to damage caused by extraordinary traffic.
ii) Any works affecting the Highway shall be in accordance with Reading Borough's Council's document "Guidance Notes for Activities on the Public Highway within the Borough of Reading". The applicant should note that compliance with this document is mandatory and licences to work on the Highway will only be issued if the requirements contained within it are met. A copy can be obtained from the Council's website.
4. Your attention is drawn to the terms and conditions of this permission. Any development which is carried out but which differs materially from the approved plans and details, or does not comply with any condition(s) or planning obligation(s) attached to the permission may result in the Council taking action to remedy the breach of planning control. If you are in any doubt please contact the Council.
5. Your attention is drawn to the requirement for submission of a Building Regulations application for the proposed development. Please contact RBC Building Control on Building.control@reading.gov.uk OR telephone 0118 9372449 9.00am to 1.00pm Monday to Friday
6. Complaints are commonly received about noise and dust caused by construction and demolition works, particularly working outside reasonable hours and smoke from bonfires associated with the burning of waste on site. The developer is reminded that

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construction and demolition associated with the approved development will be subject to environmental health law.

7. During the course of construction, the developer should take care to ensure that no part of this development (foundations, eaves, guttering, etc.) would encroach on, under or across the boundary line with the adjoining property, as the requisite Notice has not been served on the owner of that property. This permission does not confer any right of access onto land that is not under the developer's control. The developer should also be mindful of the obligations and requirements of the Party Wall Act (1996) details of which can be found at: www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/partywall

8. The Council introduced the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) on 1st April 2015. CIL is a way of securing financial contributions towards infrastructure from new development, and partially replaces the Section 106 planning obligation regime. It is a set charge per sq m of floorspace for different uses, and, unlike Section 106, it is non-negotiable. It applies to developments which result in at least one dwelling; where the space has not been in lawful use for 6 months within the last 3 years or 100 sq m of new floorspace. For this approved development the CIL status is (Officer - INSERT IF NIL CHARGE/CHARGEABLE/NOT APPLICABLE). If chargeable you will be sent a CIL Liability Notice with the calculated amount soon. CIL becomes payable on commencement of the development or by instalments.

For more information go to:

https://images.reading.gov.uk/2019/12/CIL_Advice_to_Applicants.pdf

9. Work on a loft or roof may affect bats. The applicant will need to consider protected species when planning work of this type. A survey may be needed, and if bats are using the building, a licence may be required. To view specific information regarding bats use the following link: <https://www.gov.uk/wildlife-licences>

10. The occupiers of the residential unit(s) will not be automatically entitled to an on-street car parking permit. Current and new occupiers should be informed of this and be advised to find out more about parking permits on the Council's website. There is already a high level of on street car parking in the area and the site is located close to local facilities, with frequent public transport services on nearby roads.

11. The Council's Highways section should be contacted at 19 Bennet Road, Reading, RG2 0QX, telephone: 0118 937 2138, to agree the access construction details and to grant a licence before any work is carried out within the highway. A formal application should be made allowing at least 4 week's notice to obtain details of underground services on the applicants' behalf.

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12. You are advised that installation of underground services should follow the guidance within National Joint Utilities Group Volume 4: Guidelines for the planning, installation and maintenance of utility apparatus in proximity to trees. Issue 2 (NJUG 4) in order to avoid root damage to adjacent trees during installation.

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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/appeal-planning-decision>

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) 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.

Street Naming & Numbering

You must contact Reading Borough Council to:

- Name or number a new development
- Name a new street
- Get addresses for flat conversions
- Name or rename an existing building

Otherwise the following may occur:

- You will not have an official address or postcode. When your property goes through the official process it may be given a different address and Postcode than you are currently using.
- You may have difficulty receiving mail
- You may have problems when buying goods or services such as utilities and telecommunications
- The emergency services may have difficulty locating you.
- You may have problems accessing Council services such as Education, Parking Services and Electoral Registration.

The Council is responsible for assigning house names and numbers and street names. It is also responsible for updating the National Land and Property Gazetteer (NLPG) which is a list of addresses which meet a common standard (BS7666) used throughout the country.

When a new address or change of address is requested, the Council contacts Royal Mail who check the address on behalf of the Emergency Services, assign a postcode and add it to their Postal Address File (PAF). The PAF list is used by many companies and services to check addresses, authenticate transactions and order goods, as well as deliver mail, so it is in your interest for your address to be on that list. Royal Mail will not create an address until requested to do so by the Council.

How to apply:

Email us using streetnamingnumbering@reading.gov.uk

Or telephone us on 0118 9373737

What we need to complete your request:

For new addresses or flat conversions:

- Site layout plan containing plot numbers
- Location plan - No bigger than A3 size (hard copy, PDF, JPEG or AutoCAD) showing the site boundary, including the new development, together with surrounding buildings for reference
- Anticipated completion and occupation dates

For change of address:

- You must be, or have authorisation from, the owner to request a change of address.
- Floor plan of the existing property
- Reason for change

Once created, the Council informs various bodies of your new address including the Emergency Services, Council Tax, Land Registry and utility companies as well as adding it to the National Land and Property Gazetteer.

Please be advised that companies and services using the PAF file only update the addresses monthly, quarterly or even less frequently, therefore it may take a while for your address to be listed in some places. It will, however, appear on the Royal Mail website within a few days once it has been added to the live address file.

Reading Borough Council has no control over the frequency by which other organisations update their address files.