

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

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Town and Country Planning Act 1990

PLANNING PERMISSION

APPLICATION NO: 3/2025/0284

DECISION DATE: 10 July 2025

DATE RECEIVED: 24/04/2025

APPLICANT:

Mr Michael Forshaw
Little Town Farm
Chipping Road
Thornley
Preston
PR3 2TB

AGENT:

Mr Geoff Marsden
Farmplus Constructions Ltd
Shay Lane
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PR3 3BT

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED: Proposed alterations to vehicular access from Chipping Lane to include widening of access track, creation of pedestrian footpath and erection of fencing.

AT: Little Town Farm Chipping Road Thornley PR3 2TB

Ribble Valley Borough Council hereby give notice that **permission has been granted** for the carrying out of the above development in accordance with the application plans and documents submitted subject to the following condition(s):

1. The development must be begun not later than the expiration of three years beginning with the date of this permission.

Reason: Required to be imposed by Section 51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

2. Unless explicitly required by condition within this consent, the development hereby permitted shall be carried out in complete accordance with the proposals as detailed on drawings:

- Location and Existing Site Plan (scale 1:1250 and 1:500)
- Amended Proposed Site Layout Plan / Landscaping Plan (scale 1:200) received 27 June 2025
- Proposed Sections and Fence Details (scale 1:50 and 1:25)
- Method Statement received 2 July 2025
- Hard Surfacing Details received 9 July 2025

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt as the proposal was the subject of agreed design improvements and/or amendments and to clarify which plans are relevant to the consent.

3. The development shall be implemented in accordance with the approved Method Statement received 2 July 2025.

Reason: In the interests of the safe operation of the adopted highway during the demolition and construction phases in accordance with Policy DMG1 of the Ribble Valley Core Strategy.

4. Prior to the commencement of development, a Biodiversity Gain Plan shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority (see further details below at #5 of the Notes Section) and implemented in accordance with the approved details.

The Biodiversity Gain Plan shall be prepared in accordance with the submitted Biodiversity Net Gain Report dated 2nd April 2025 by Ecology Services UK Ltd.

Reason: To ensure the development delivers a net gain on site which satisfies paragraph 14 (2) of Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and which is in accordance with the biodiversity information submitted with the planning application.

5. The landscaping proposals hereby approved (Amended Proposed Site Layout Plan / Landscaping Plan (scale 1:200)) shall be implemented in the first planting season following occupation or use of the development, whether in whole or part and shall be maintained thereafter for a period of not less than 10 years to the satisfaction of the Local Planning Authority.

This maintenance shall include the replacement of any tree or shrub which is removed, or dies, or is seriously damaged, or becomes seriously diseased, by a species of similar size to those originally planted.

All trees/hedgerow shown as being retained within the approved details shall be retained as such in perpetuity.

Reason: To ensure the proposal is satisfactorily landscaped and trees/hedgerow of landscape/visual amenity value are retained as part of the development.

6. Before the amended access is used for vehicular purposes, the access extending from the highway boundary for a minimum distance of 10m into the site shall be appropriately paved in tarmacadam, concrete or block pavements.

Reason: To prevent loose surface material from being carried on to the public highway thus causing a potential source of danger to other road users.

7. During the construction period, all trees to be retained shall be protected in accordance with British Standard BS 5837:2012 or any subsequent amendment to the British Standard.

Reason: To protect trees/hedging of landscape and visual amenity value on and adjacent to the site or those likely to be affected by the proposed development hereby approved.

8. Construction deliveries to and from the site and construction works, shall be restricted to between 0800 and 1800hrs Monday to Friday, 0900 to 1300hrs on Saturdays, and shall not take place on Sundays and Bank Holidays, unless otherwise prior agreed in writing with the local planning authority. All works will be undertaken in accordance with BS5228:2009.

Reason: To safeguard the living conditions of nearby residents particularly with regard to the effects of noise in accordance with Policy DMG1 of the Ribble Valley Core Strategy.

Note(s)

1. For rights of appeal in respect of any condition(s)/or reason(s) attached to the permission see the attached notes.
2. The applicant is advised that should there be any deviation from the approved plan the Local Planning Authority must be informed. It is therefore vital that any future Building Regulation application must comply with the approved planning application.
3. The Local Planning Authority has endeavoured to work proactively and positively to resolve issues and considered the imposition of appropriate conditions and amendments to the application to deliver a sustainable form of development.

4. This Decision Notice should be read in conjunction with the officer's report which is available to view on the website.

5. Statutory Biodiversity Condition

The effect of paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 is that planning permission granted for the development of land in England is deemed to have been granted subject to the condition "(the biodiversity gain condition)" that development may not begin unless:

(a) a Biodiversity Gain Plan has been submitted to the local planning authority, and
(b) the planning authority has approved the plan. Based on the information available this permission is considered to be one which will require the approval of a biodiversity gain plan before development is begun because none of the statutory exemptions or transitional arrangements listed in the legislation are considered to apply. The biodiversity gain plan must include:

- (a) information about the steps taken or to be taken to minimise the adverse effect of the development on the biodiversity of the onsite habitat and any other habitat;
- (b) the pre-development biodiversity value of the onsite habitat;
- (c) the post-development biodiversity value of the onsite habitat;
- (d) any registered offsite biodiversity gain allocated to the development and the biodiversity and the biodiversity value of that gain in relation to the development;
- (e) any biodiversity credits purchased for the development; and
- (f) such other matters as the Secretary of State may by regulations specify.

When calculating the post-development biodiversity value of a habitat, the planning authority can only take into account an increase in biodiversity value post-development where it is satisfied that the habitat creation or enhancements delivering the increase will be maintained for at least 30 years after the development is completed.

6. The proposed development will impact upon Public Footpath FP0341026 and may require a temporary diversion or closure. For more information please contact Lancashire County Council at: <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/public-rights-of-way/>

The grant of planning permission will require the applicant to enter into an appropriate legal agreement (Section 278/171), with Lancashire County Council as Highway Authority prior to the start of any development. The applicant should be advised to contact the county council for further information by telephoning the Development Control Section on 0300 123 6780 or email developeras@lancashire.gov.uk, in the first instance to ascertain the details of such an agreement and the information to be provided, quoting the location, district and relevant planning application reference number.

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DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

Notes

Right of Appeal

If you are aggrieved by the decision of your local planning authority 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 you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 6 months of the date of this notice.
- If this is a decision to refuse planning permission, or approve with conditions, a householder application, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 12 weeks of the date of this notice.
- If this is a decision to refuse planning permission, or approve with conditions, a minor commercial application, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 12 weeks of the date of this notice.

Appeals can be made online at: <https://www.gov.uk/appeal-planning-decision> . If it is a householder appeal it can be made online at: <https://www.gov.uk/appeal-householder-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 an enforcement notice is served relating to the same or substantially the same land and development as in your application and if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision on your application, then you must do so within: 28 days of the date of service of the enforcement notice, or within 6 months [12 weeks in the case of a householder appeal] of the date of this notice, whichever period expires earlier. In certain circumstances, a claim may be made against the local planning authority for compensation, where permission is refused or granted subject to conditions by the Secretary of State on appeal or on a reference of the application to him. The circumstances in which such compensation is payable are set out in section 114 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

Purchase Notices

If permission to develop land is refused or granted subject to conditions, whether by the local planning authority or by the Secretary of State for the Environment and the owner of the land claims that the land has become incapable of reasonably beneficial use in its existing state and cannot be rendered capable of reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted, they may serve on the Council of the county borough or county district in which the land is situated a purchase notice requiring that Council to purchase their interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part VI of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.