

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL

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Town and Country Planning Act 1990

PLANNING PERMISSION

APPLICATION NO: 3/2025/0749

DECISION DATE: 17 April 2026

DATE RECEIVED: 14/10/2025

APPLICANT:

Mr Philip Austin
Stonyhurst College
Avenue Road
Hurst Green
Clitheroe
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AGENT:

Mr Thomas Franks
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DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED: Planning Permission for installation of solar photovoltaic panels on existing roofs across the college. Panels to be located on the South Fronts roofs, West Fronts roof, the Refectory, the Swimming Pool and St Mary's Sports Hall.

AT: Stonyhurst College Avenue Road Hurst Green BB7 9PZ

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 hereby permitted shall be commenced before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

Reason: Required to be imposed pursuant to Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended 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:

Plans

-Location Plan drawing ref: 4077B - LB - ZZ - ZZ - D - A - 1000 Rev C01

-Site Plan drawing ref: 4077B - LB - ZZ - ZZ - D - A - 1011 Rev C01

-Site Plan drawing ref: 4077B - LB - ZZ - ZZ - D - A - 1012 Rev C01

-Amended Proposed Plan - South Fronts West drawing ref: 4077B-LB-ZZ-ZZ-D-A-1202 Rev C03 received 20 March 2026

-Amened Proposed Plan - South Fronts East drawing ref: 4077B-LB-ZZ-ZZ-D-A-1203 Rev P01 received 5 January 2026

-Proposed Plan - Refectory drawing ref: 4077B-LB-ZZ-ZZ-D-A-1200 Rev C01

- Proposed Plan - Swimming Pool drawing ref: 4077B-LB-ZZ-ZZ-D-A-1201 Rev C01
- Proposed Plan - St Marys Sports Hall drawing ref: 4077B-LB-ZZ-ZZ-D-A-1204 Rev C01
- Amended Proposed South Fronts Elevations - Middle drawing ref: 4077B-LB-ZZ-ZZ-D-A-1302 Rev C03 received 20 March 2026
- Proposed South Fronts Elevations - East drawing ref: 4077B-LB-ZZ-ZZ-D-A-1303 Rev C01
- Proposed Refectory Elevations and views drawing ref: 4077B-LB-ZZ-ZZ-D-A-1300 Rec C01
- Proposed St Marys Sports Hall Elevations and views drawing ref: 4077B-LB-ZZ-ZZ-D-A-1304 Rev C01
- Proposed Swimming Pool Elevations and views drawing ref: 4077B-LB-ZZ-ZZ-D-A-1301 Rev C01
- Panel Cross Sections

Documents

- Solar Panel Specification (n-type Bifacial Double Glass High Efficiency Mono Module JAM54D40 430-455)
- Cable Tray information received 5 January 2026
- GRP Enclosure received 5 January 2026
- Flatfix Fusion Flat roof mounting system for solar panels in a dual landscape setup
- Desktop Roof Loading Appraisal - Canteen by BMG Surveys Limited
- Desktop Roof Loading Appraisal - Main Building by BMG Surveys Limited
- Desktop Roof Loading Appraisal - Swimming Pool by BMG Surveys Limited
- Knight Sky Ecology letter dated 19 June 2025

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt and to clarify which plans are relevant to the consent hereby approved.

3. The development shall be implemented in strict accordance with the recommendations outlined in tables 4.1 and 4.2 of the letter from Knight Sky Ecology dated 19th June 2025 (notwithstanding the need for a further glint/glare assessment).

Reason: To ensure the protection of species/habitat protected by the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as Amended) and in the interests of biodiversity and to enhance habitat opportunities for species of conservation concern/protected species and to minimise/mitigate the potential impacts upon protected species resultant from the development.

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.

Nicola Hopkins

**NICOLA HOPKINS
DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING**

Notes

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 unless the following apply:

- If this is a decision to refuse planning permission for a householder application or 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.
- 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 [reference], 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 this notice.
- 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.

Appeals should be made online via <https://appeal-planning-decision.service.gov.uk/before-you-start>. If someone does not have access to the internet and needs help completing the appeal digitally, they should contact the Planning Inspectorate customer service team on 0303 444 5000 who will provide details of support options available.

Before making an appeal, you may find it helpful to review guidance and watch a video explaining the appeals process at <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/make-an-appeal-to-the-planning-inspectorate-and-associated-guidance>.

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.