

RIBBLE VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL  
Development Department  
Council Offices, Church Walk, Clitheroe, Lancashire, BB7 2RA



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please ask for: Emily Pickup  
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my ref: 3/2025/0949  
your ref:  
date: 19 December 2025

Dear Sir,

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (GENERAL PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT) ORDER 2015 PART 6  
PRIOR NOTIFICATION OF AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTRY BUILDINGS AND ROADS

Proposal: Prior notification for proposed agricultural track 92m long x 5m wide under Part 6 Class A of the GDPO.

Location: Greystones Stopper Lane Rimington Clitheroe BB7 4DU.

I refer to your application, made under Schedule 2, Part 6 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 and received on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2025, in which you request the council's determination as to whether prior approval is required for the above proposal.

It is the Council's position that the development proposed does not constitute permitted development under Part 6 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015, Schedule 2, Part 6 for the following reason(s):

- 1 The applicant has failed to demonstrate that the land forming the holding is in use for agriculture for the purposes of agricultural trade or business. As such, the proposal fails to meet the requirements of Paragraph D.1 (1) of Schedule 2, Part 6, Class A of the General Permitted Development Order.
- 2 The applicant has failed to demonstrate a justifiable need for the track on this site. As such, it is not considered that the track is reasonably necessary for the purposes of agriculture in this instance as per the requirements of Schedule 2, Part 6, Class A of the GPDO.
- 3 Furthermore, prior approval in respect of siting is required and refused, as the proposed siting is unacceptable by virtue of the track being sited on an undeveloped land parcel, visually isolated and being of harm to the openness of the landscape.

Accordingly the Council have resolved that your application is REFUSED.

Please contact Emily Pickup if you require any further information.

Yours faithfully

*Nicola Hopkins*

**DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING**

**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.

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