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Town and Country Planning Act 1990

PLANNING PERMISSION

APPLICATION NO: 3/2026/0244

DECISION DATE: 10 September 2026

DATE RECEIVED: 28/05/2026

APPLICANT:

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CWS Farms Ltd
Littlemoor Mill
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BB7 1PW

AGENT:

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DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED: Conversion of existing disused twin barns to 2 dwellings, including removal of derelict farmyard buildings and landscape restoration.

AT: Fooden Hall Farm, Gisburn Road, Bolton by Bowland, BB7 4LS.

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 Plan Drawing No: 7314 L01

- Site Plan Proposed Drawing No: 31 REV D

- (Amended) Proposed Plans Drawing No: 32 REV B (received 26.08.2026)

- (Amended) Proposed Elevations Drawing No: 33 REV D (received 26.08.2026)

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.

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3. The areas marked for demolition denoted by red hatching as shown on Existing Site Layout Drawing No: TRI-3318-01 shall be entirely demolished, the existing hardstanding made good and any leftover materials removed from the site prior to first occupation of the dwelling hereby approved.

Reason: In the interests of visual amenity to ensure the scheme is implemented as proposed.

4. Notwithstanding any description of materials in the application and the requirements of Condition 2 of this permission, samples or full details of all new materials to be used on the external surfaces of the development hereby approved shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to their use. Such details shall include the type, colour and texture of the materials. The development shall thereafter be implemented in accordance with the duly approved materials.

Reason: In order to ensure that the works preserve the special architectural and historic interest of the Listed Buildings and to ensure that the detailed design of the proposal responds positively to the inherent character of the area.

5. All external joinery including windows and doors shall be of a timber construction only. Details of their design, specification, dimensions, glazing detail, moulding finish, method of opening, method of fixing and finish, in the form of drawings and sections of no less than 1:20 scale, shall be submitted to and agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority before the windows and doors hereby approved are installed. The works shall be carried out only in accordance with the agreed window and door details.

Reason: In order to ensure that the works preserve the special architectural and historic interest of the Listed Buildings and to ensure that the detailed design of the proposal responds positively to the inherent character of the area.

6. All window/door cills and lintels shall be natural stone and full details or samples of the materials to be used for the cills and lintels shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority before installation on site. The development shall be implemented in complete accordance with the approved details and retained as such thereafter.

Reason: In order to ensure that the works preserve the special architectural and historic interest of the Listed Buildings and to ensure that the detailed design of the proposal responds positively to the inherent character of the area.

7. The roof lights as shown on (Amended) Proposed Plans Drawing No: 32 REV B (received 26.08.2026) and (Amended) Proposed Elevations Drawing No: 33 REV D (received 26.08.2026) shall be of the Conservation Type, recessed with a flush fitting, of which the elevational and section details shall have been submitted and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to their installation. The roof lights shall be implemented in complete accordance with the approved details and retained as such thereafter.

Reason: In order to ensure that the works preserve the special architectural and historic interest of the Listed Buildings and to ensure that the detailed design of the proposal responds positively to the inherent character of the area.

8. Samples or detailed specifications of any new roof slates to be utilised shall be submitted to and agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to their installation. All such slates shall match the existing in appearance, size and quality. The works shall be carried out only in accordance with the agreed materials.

Reason: In order that the Local Planning Authority may ensure that the detailed design of the proposal safeguards the special architectural and historic interest of the Listed Buildings.

9. All external parts of flues and their associated fitments shall be coloured black / a dark matt finish and retained as such thereafter.

Reason: In order to ensure that the works preserve the special architectural and historic interest of the Listed Building and to ensure that the detailed design of the proposal responds positively to the inherent character of the area.

10. No external lighting shall be installed on the dwellings hereby approved, or elsewhere within the site until details of a scheme for any external building or ground mounted lighting/illumination have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

For the avoidance of doubt the submitted details shall include luminance levels and demonstrate how any proposed external lighting has been designed and located to avoid excessive light spill/pollution and shall include details to demonstrate how artificial illumination of important wildlife habitats is minimised/mitigated.

Reason: To enable the Local Planning Authority to exercise control over development which could prove materially harmful the character and visual amenities of the immediate area and to minimise/mitigate the potential impacts upon protected species resultant from the development.

11. The residential curtilages hereby approved shall solely relate to the areas within the confines of the area edged red as indicated on Location Plan Drawing No: 7314 L01.

No extension of the residential curtilages shall be undertaken without express planning consent having first been granted by the Local Planning Authority.

Prior to first use of the dwellings hereby approved, details regarding the alignment, height, and appearance of boundary treatments, fencing, walling, retaining wall structures and gates to enclose the identified residential curtilages shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

The approved boundary treatments shall be erected and maintained as such within 2 months of first use of the dwellings hereby approved.

Reason: To define the scope of the consent hereby approved, to protect against encroachment of residential curtilage into the defined open countryside and in the interests of the visual amenities of the area.

12. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved land levels as indicated on Site Plan Proposed Drawing No: 31 REV D. No other change in land levels shall be undertaken unless precise land level details have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be carried out in strict accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To ensure the proposed development responds positively to characteristics of the area.

13. Notwithstanding the details shown on the approved plans and the requirements of Condition 2 of this permission, within three months of development commencing a landscaping scheme for the site (including elements of both 'hard' and 'soft' landscaping) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Such a scheme shall include details of the proposed surface treatment of all hard surfaced areas and the type, species, siting, planting distances and programme of planting of any trees and shrubs.

The duly approved landscaping scheme shall be carried out within 12 months of the dwellinghouse first being occupied and the areas which are landscaped shall be retained as landscaped areas thereafter.

Any trees or shrubs removed, dying, being severely damaged or becoming seriously diseased within three years of planting shall be replaced by trees or shrubs of similar size and species to those originally required to be planted.

Reason: In order to achieve a satisfactory level of landscaping in the interests of visual amenity.

14. Notwithstanding the submitted details, no development, including any site preparation, demolition, scrub/hedgerow clearance or tree works/removal shall commence or be undertaken on site until a protected species mitigation license - or written confirmation from Natural England that this license is not required - has been submitted to and agreed in writing by the local planning authority. The actions, methods & timings included in the mitigation measures identified and the conditions of the Natural England License shall be fully implemented and adhered to throughout the lifetime of the development.

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.

15. No development shall take place until details of the provisions to be made for building dependent species of conservation concern, artificial bird nesting boxes and artificial bat roosting sites have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The details shall be submitted on a dwelling / building dependent bird/bat species development site plan and include details of the numbers of artificial bird nesting boxes and artificial bat roosting sites. The details shall also identify the actual wall and roof elevations into which the above provisions shall be incorporated. The artificial bird/bat boxes shall be installed in accordance with the agreed details before the dwelling is first brought into use and retained thereafter unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: In the interests of biodiversity and to enhance nesting/roosting opportunities for species of conservation concern and to reduce the impact of development.

16. Unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority, the development hereby approved shall be carried out in complete accordance with the mitigation measures detailed/recommended within paragraphs 4.10 - 4.29 (Recommendations) of the submitted ecological appraisal titled "Outbuildings at Fooden Hall Bat Report" (Document BOW17.1608) dated August 2024 carried out by Bowland Ecology.

Reason: In the interests of biodiversity and to enhance nesting/roosting opportunities for species of conservation concern and reduce the impact of development.

17. 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 Assessment titled "Biodiversity Net Gain Statement V2" dated 11.11.25 and carried out by Bowland Ecology.

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.

18. Prior to first occupation of the dwellings hereby approved details of secure, covered cycle storage shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The approved cycle facilities shall be provided prior to first occupation of the dwellings and thereafter be kept free of obstruction and available for the parking of bicycles only at all times.

Reason: To promote sustainable transport as a travel option, encourage healthy communities and reduce carbon emissions.

19. 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.

20. No development, site clearance/preparation, or demolitions shall take place on the site until the applicant, or their agent or successors in title, has secured the implementation of a programme of building recording and analysis. This must be carried out in accordance with a written scheme of investigation, which shall first have been submitted to and agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The programme of works should comprise the creation of a record of the building to Level 3 as set out in 'Understanding Historic Buildings' (Historic England 2016). It should include a full description of the buildings, inside and out, a drawn plan, elevations and at least one section (which may be derived from checked and corrected architect's drawings), and a full photographic coverage, inside and out. The record should also include a rapid desk-based assessment, putting the building and its features into context. This work should be undertaken by an appropriately qualified and experienced professional contractor to the standards and guidance of the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists (www.archaeologists.net). A digital copy of the report and the photographs shall be placed in the Lancashire Historic Environment Record prior to the building being first occupied.

Reason: To ensure and safeguard the recording and inspection of matters of archaeological/historical importance associated with the buildings/site.

21. Prior to the commencement of development a desk study to investigate and produce an assessment of the risk of the potential for on-site contamination shall be undertaken and submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. If the desk study identifies potential contamination, a detailed site investigation shall be carried out in accordance with a written methodology, which shall first have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. If remediation measures are then considered necessary, a scheme for decontamination of the site shall be submitted to, and approved by, the Local Planning Authority in writing and the approved scheme implemented prior to the development of the site, and validation of the approved measures shall be submitted to, and approved by, the Local Planning Authority in writing on completion of the works. Any changes to the approved scheme must be approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to any works being undertaken.

Reason: The development is for a sensitive end use and insufficient information has been submitted with the application as to the potential contamination risks of the site. The potential for contamination must therefore be addressed in order to safeguard future occupants of the development.

22. No development shall commence until a detailed, final surface water sustainable drainage strategy for the site has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

The detailed surface water sustainable drainage strategy shall be based upon the sustainable drainage and principles and requirements set out in the National Planning Policy Framework, Planning Practice Guidance and Defra Technical Standards for Sustainable Drainage Systems. No surface water shall be allowed to discharge to the public foul sewer(s), directly or indirectly.

The details of the drainage strategy to be submitted for approval should include, as a minimum:

- Details of whether the site is greenfield or previously developed in terms of drainage
- Assessment of the hierarchy of drainage options
- Details of the contributing area
- Restricted discharge rate
- On-site surface water storage
- Allowances for climate change and urban creep
- Above ground, multifunctional SuDS components
- Arrangements for management and maintenance

The sustainable drainage strategy shall be implemented in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To ensure satisfactory sustainable drainage facilities are provided to serve the site in accordance with Policies F7 and F8 of the National Planning Policy Framework, Planning Practice Guidance and Defra Technical Standards for Sustainable Drainage Systems.

23. The site shall be drained via separate systems for the disposal of foul and surface water.

Reason: To secure a satisfactory system of drainage and to prevent pollution of the water environment.

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. 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 grant of planning permission does not entitle a developer to obstruct a right of way and any proposed stopping-up or diversion of a right of way should be the subject of an Order under the appropriate Act. The applicant should be advised to contact Lancashire County Council's Public Rights of Way section by email on PROW@lancashire.gov.uk, quoting the location, district and planning application number, to discuss their proposal before any development works begin.

7. Relevant archaeological standards and lists of potential contractors can be found on the ClfA web pages: <http://www.archaeologists.net> and the BAJR Directory:

<http://www.bajr.org/whoseWho/>. 'Understanding Historic Buildings' can be accessed online at <https://historicengland.org.uk/images-books/publications/understanding-historic-buildings/>.

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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.