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Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for an Existing Use or Operation or Activity,
including those in breach of a planning condition

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Publication of applications on planning authority websites

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

Site Location

Disclaimer: We can only make recommendations based on the answers given in the questions.

If you cannot provide a postcode, the description of site location must be completed. Please provide the most accurate site description you can, to help locate the site - for example "field to the North of the Post Office".

Number	<input type="text" value="12"/>
Suffix	<input type="text"/>
Property Name	<input type="text"/>
Address Line 1	<input type="text" value="School Street"/>
Address Line 2	<input type="text" value="Great Houghton"/>
Address Line 3	<input type="text" value="Barnsley"/>
Town/city	<input type="text" value="Barnsley"/>
Postcode	<input type="text" value="S72 0AE"/>

Description of site location must be completed if postcode is not known:

Easting (x)	Northing (y)
<input type="text" value="443008"/>	<input type="text" value="406784"/>

Description

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

MS

First name

Sarah

Surname

Dunwell

Company Name

Arena Partners Property Limited

Address

Address line 1

1 Lowther Road

Address line 2

Garforth

Address line 3

Town/City

Leeds

County

Country

United Kingdom

Postcode

LS25 1EL

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

Yes

No

Contact Details

Primary number

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Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

Reason for Lawful Development Certificate

Please indicate why you are applying for a lawful development certificate

- An existing use
 Existing building works
 An existing use, building work or activity in breach of a condition

Being a use, building works or activity which is still going on at the date of this application.

If Yes, to either 'an existing use' or 'an existing use in breach of a condition', please select the relevant Use Class.

Description of Existing Use, Building Works or Activity

Please fully describe each existing use, building works or activity for which you want the lawful development certificate. Where appropriate, show to which part of the land each use, building works or activity relates

The property at 12 School Street, S72 0AE was purchased in 2020 from Mr Mark Waterhouse by Mr Vincent Bossel of SwissXtreme Properties Limited. At the time of purchase, the property was occupied by 5 tenants and was operating as a licensed HMO. In June of 2021, an Article 4 Directive was introduced across Barnsley, removing the permitted development rights to change from a C3 dwelling house to a C4 house in multiple occupation. As Mr Bossell had a fully tenanted and licensed HMO at that point, we believe he benefits from 'grandfather' rights and so we are submitting our evidence of continuous use of the property as an HMO, that pre-dates the A4 implementation and request that a Certificate of Lawful Use be granted.

Grounds for application for a Lawful Development Certificate

Under what grounds is the certificate being sought

*Where the use, building works or activity began **before 25 April 2024***

- The use began more than 10 years before the date of this application
- The use, building works or activity in breach of condition began more than 10 years before the date of this application
- The use began within the last 10 years, as a result of a change of use not requiring planning permission, and there has not been a change of use requiring planning permission in the last 10 years
- The building works (for instance, building or engineering works) were substantially completed more than four years before the date of this application.
- The change of use to use as a single dwelling house began more than four years before the date of this application.
- Other - please specify (this might include claims that the change of use or building work was not development, or that it benefited from planning permission granted under the Act or by the General Permitted Development Order).

Where the use, building works or activity began on or after 25 April 2024

- The use, building works or activity began more than 10 years before the date of this application.
- The use began within the last 10 years, as a result of a change of use not requiring planning permission, and there has not been a change of use requiring planning permission in the last 10 years.
- Other - please specify (this might include claims that the change of use or building work was not development, or that it benefited from planning permission granted under the Act or by the General Permitted Development Order).

Is the certificate being sought for a use, operation, or activity in breach of a condition or limitation?

- Yes
- No

Please state why a Lawful Development Certificate should be granted

The change of use of the property from C3 to C4 pre-dates the introduction of the Article 4 Directive. We believe that we can provide sufficient evidence to show an unbroken and continuous use as a C4 HMO since June 2021.

Information in support of a Lawful Development Certificate

When was the use or activity begun, or the building works substantially completed (date must be pre-application submission)?

01-06-2020

In the case of an existing use or activity in breach of conditions has there been any interruption?

- Yes
- No

In the case of an existing use of land, has there been any material change of use of the land since the start of the use for which a certificate is sought?

- Yes
- No

Residential Information

Does the application for a certificate relate to a residential use where the number of residential units has changed?

- Yes
- No

Site Visit

Can the site be seen from a public road, public footpath, bridleway or other public land?

Yes

No

If the planning authority needs to make an appointment to carry out a site visit, whom should they contact?

The agent

The applicant

Other person

Pre-application Advice

Has assistance or prior advice been sought from the local authority about this application?

Yes

No

Interest in the Land

Please state the applicant's interest in the land

Owner

Lessee

Occupier

Other

If Other, please give the names and addresses of anyone who has an interest in the land and state the nature of their interest (if known)

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Have they been informed of the application?

Yes

No

Authority Employee/Member

With respect to the Authority, is the applicant and/or agent one of the following:

(a) a member of staff

(b) an elected member

(c) related to a member of staff

(d) related to an elected member

It is an important principle of decision-making that the process is open and transparent.

For the purposes of this question, "related to" means related, by birth or otherwise, closely enough that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts, would conclude that there was bias on the part of the decision-maker in the Local Planning Authority.

Do any of the above statements apply?

Yes

No

Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Lawful development: Existing use as described in the questions answered, details provided, and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information.

I/We confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the person(s) giving them.

I/We also accept that, in accordance with the Planning Portal's terms and conditions:

- Once submitted, this information will be made available to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be published as part of a public register and on the authority's website;
- Our system will automatically generate and send you emails in regard to the submission of this application.

I / We agree to the outlined declaration

Signed

Sarah Dunwell

Date

25/07/2025