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Metropolitan Borough Council

Planning and Building Control
Economic Regeneration - Place Directorate
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Application for Planning Permission.
Town and Country Planning Act 1990

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.

1. Site Address

Number	
Suffix	
Property name	
Address line 1	
Address line 2	
Address line 3	
Town/city	
Postcode	

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

Easting (x)	434443
Northing (y)	408132

Description

Land off Smithies Lane to the north of the River Dearne

2. Applicant Details

Title	Mrs
First name	Helen
Surname	Norford
Company name	Yorkshire Wildlife Trust
Address line 1	Potteric Carr Nature Reserve
Address line 2	Mallard Way
Address line 3	
Town/city	Doncaster
Country	United Kingdom

2. Applicant Details

Postcode	DN48DB

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant? ○ Yes ◉ No

Primary number	
Secondary number	
Fax number	
Email address	

3. Agent Details

No Agent details were submitted for this application

4. Site Area

What is the measurement of the site area? (numeric characters only).	7.34
Unit	Hectares

5. Description of the Proposal

Please note in regard to:
• Fire Statements - From 1 August 2021, planning applications for buildings of over 18 metres (or 7 stories) tall containing more than one dwelling will require a 'Fire Statement' for the application to be considered valid. There are some exemptions. View government planning guidance on fire statements or access the fire statement template and guidance.
• Permission In Principle - If you are applying for Technical Details Consent on a site that has been granted Permission In Principle, please include the relevant details in the description below.
• Public Service Infrastructure - From 1 August 2021, applications for certain public service infrastructure developments will be eligible for faster determination timeframes. See help for further details or view government planning guidance on determination periods.

Description

Please describe details of the proposed development or works including any change of use.

This proposal is to create and enhance wildlife habitats at Smithies Marsh along the northern bank of the River Dearne, north west of the centre of Barnsley. This proposal includes shallow scrapes excavated within existing grassland creating a series of 'ridge and furrow' features to enhance the site for breeding birds, invertebrates and marginal flora communities. It is considered these features will become strategically important for breeding and migrating bird species such as lapwing (red listed), redshank (amber listed) and snipe (amber listed) whose populations are declining. Additional to the proposed scrapes a cut/reprofiling of the north bank of the River Dearne is proposed to reconnect the flood plain at Smithies Marsh.
Subject to planning approval it is believed that the site will become a strategic and invaluable parcel of land forming part of the landscape-scale restoration of the River Dearne and its flood plain, enhancing the site for wildlife and providing space for local communities and visitors to enjoy.
Project benefits
1) Creation of Natural England Priority Habitats
2) Creation of additional breeding and feeding opportunities for resident and migratory bird species
3) Creation of additional habitats suitable for aquatic invertebrate, amphibians and locally rare sedge species
4) Increase the connectivity of wetland habitats along the reach of the River Dearne leading to 'more, bigger and joined up' landscape for wildlife to disperse and use for breeding and foraging
5) Create a public amenity which will reconnect local communities to nature on their doorstep and a resource for visitors - increasing health and well-being opportunities within the area
6) Offer volunteering and environmental educational opportunities for local people
7) Increase legitimate use of the site and dissuade anti-social activities such as fly tipping

Has the work or change of use already started? ○ Yes ◉ No

6. Existing Use

Please describe the current use of the site

There is no formal use of the site currently. Under the ownership of Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council (BMBC) the site has been informally grazed by horses, there is no formal management of the site at present. If the application is successful Yorkshire Wildlife Trust will put in place a management plan and work with local communities to ensure the future of the site.

Is the site currently vacant? ◉ Yes ○ No

If Yes, please describe the last use of the site

This site is considered an informal green space by BMBC.

6. Existing Use

When did this use end (if known)? DD/MM/YYYY

Does the proposal involve any of the following? If Yes, you will need to submit an appropriate contamination assessment with your application.

Land which is known to be contaminated — ○ Yes ◉ No

Land where contamination is suspected for all or part of the site — ○ Yes ◉ No

A proposed use that would be particularly vulnerable to the presence of contamination — ○ Yes ◉ No

7. Materials

Does the proposed development require any materials to be used externally? — ○ Yes ◉ No

8. Pedestrian and Vehicle Access, Roads and Rights of Way

Is a new or altered vehicular access proposed to or from the public highway? — ○ Yes ◉ No

Is a new or altered pedestrian access proposed to or from the public highway? — ○ Yes ◉ No

Are there any new public roads to be provided within the site? — ○ Yes ◉ No

Are there any new public rights of way to be provided within or adjacent to the site? — ○ Yes ◉ No

Do the proposals require any diversions/extinguishments and/or creation of rights of way? — ○ Yes ◉ No

9. Vehicle Parking

Does the site have any existing vehicle/cycle parking spaces or will the proposed development add/remove any parking spaces? — ○ Yes ◉ No

10. Trees and Hedges

Are there trees or hedges on the proposed development site? — ○ Yes ◉ No

And/or: Are there trees or hedges on land adjacent to the proposed development site that could influence the development or might be important as part of the local landscape character? — ○ Yes ◉ No

If Yes to either or both of the above, you may need to provide a full tree survey, at the discretion of your local planning authority. If a tree survey is required, this and the accompanying plan should be submitted alongside your application. Your local planning authority should make clear on its website what the survey should contain, in accordance with the current 'BS5837: Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations'.

11. Assessment of Flood Risk

Is the site within an area at risk of flooding? (Check the location on the Government's Flood map for planning. You should also refer to national standing advice and your local planning authority requirements for information as necessary.) — ◉ Yes ○ No

If Yes, you will need to submit a Flood Risk Assessment to consider the risk to the proposed site.

Is your proposal within 20 metres of a watercourse (e.g. river, stream or beck)? — ◉ Yes ○ No

Will the proposal increase the flood risk elsewhere? — ○ Yes ◉ No

How will surface water be disposed of?

☐ Sustainable drainage system

☑ Existing water course

11. Assessment of Flood Risk

- [ ] Soakaway
- [ ] Main sewer
- [x] Pond/lake

12. Biodiversity and Geological Conservation

Is there a reasonable likelihood of the following being affected adversely or conserved and enhanced within the application site, or on land adjacent to or near the application site?

To assist in answering this question correctly, please refer to the help text which provides guidance on determining if any important biodiversity or geological conservation features may be present or nearby; and whether they are likely to be affected by the proposals.

a) Protected and priority species:

- ○ Yes, on the development site
- ○ Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
- ◉ No

b) Designated sites, important habitats or other biodiversity features:

- ○ Yes, on the development site
- ○ Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
- ◉ No

c) Features of geological conservation importance:

- ○ Yes, on the development site
- ○ Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development
- ◉ No

13. Foul Sewage

Please state how foul sewage is to be disposed of:

- [ ] Mains Sewer
- [ ] Septic Tank
- [ ] Package Treatment plant
- [ ] Cess Pit
- [x] Other
- [ ] Unknown

Other: No foul sewage will be produced

Are you proposing to connect to the existing drainage system? ○ Yes ◉ No ○ Unknown

14. Waste Storage and Collection

Do the plans incorporate areas to store and aid the collection of waste? ○ Yes ◉ No

Have arrangements been made for the separate storage and collection of recyclable waste? ○ Yes ◉ No

15. Trade Effluent

Does the proposal involve the need to dispose of trade effluents or trade waste? ○ Yes ◉ No

16. Residential/Dwelling Units

Please note: This question has been updated to include the latest information requirements specified by government.
Applications created before 23 May 2020 will not have been updated, please read the 'Help' to see details of how to workaround this issue.

Does your proposal include the gain, loss or change of use of residential units? ○ Yes ◉ No

17. All Types of Development: Non-Residential Floorspace

Does your proposal involve the loss, gain or change of use of non-residential floorspace?
Note that 'non-residential' in this context covers all uses except Use Class C3 Dwellinghouses.

○ Yes ◉ No

18. Employment

Are there any existing employees on the site or will the proposed development increase or decrease the number of employees?

○ Yes ◉ No

19. Hours of Opening

Are Hours of Opening relevant to this proposal?

○ Yes ◉ No

20. Industrial or Commercial Processes and Machinery

Does this proposal involve the carrying out of industrial or commercial activities and processes?

○ Yes ◉ No

Is the proposal for a waste management development?

○ Yes ◉ No

If this is a landfill application you will need to provide further information before your application can be determined. Your waste planning authority should make it clear what information it requires on its website

21. Hazardous Substances

Does the proposal involve the use or storage of any hazardous substances?

○ Yes ◉ No

22. 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

23. Pre-application Advice

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

◉ Yes ○ No

If Yes, please complete the following information about the advice you were given (this will help the authority to deal with this application more efficiently):

Officer name:

Title	Mr
First name	
Surname	
Reference	2018/ENQ/00652 - PP-08097747

Date (Must be pre-application submission)

30/09/2019

Details of the pre-application advice received

That this proposal could be achieved through permitted development

24. 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

25. Ownership Certificates and Agricultural Land Declaration

CERTIFICATE OF OWNERSHIP - CERTIFICATE B - Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 Certificate under Article 14

I certify/The applicant certifies that:

◉ I have/The applicant has given the requisite notice to everyone else (as listed below) who, on the day 21 days before the date of this application, was the owner* and/or agricultural tenant** of any part of the land or building to which this application relates; or

○ The applicant is the sole owner of all the land or buildings to which this application relates and there are no other owners* and/or agricultural tenants**.

*** 'owner' is a person with a freehold interest or leasehold interest with at least 7 years to run. ** 'agricultural tenant' has the meaning given in section 65(8) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.**

Owner/Agricultural Tenant

Name of Owner/Agricultural Tenant	
Number	1
Suffix	
House Name	Gateway Plaza
Address line 1	Asset Management Regeneration and Property
Address line 2	
Town/city	Barnsley
Postcode	S70 2RD
Date notice served (DD/MM/YYYY)	30/09/2019

Person role

○ The applicant
◉ The agent

Title	Mrs
First name	Tanya
Surname	Hunter
Declaration date (DD/MM/YYYY)	30/09/2019

☑ Declaration made

26. Declaration

I/we hereby apply for planning permission/consent as described in this form 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. ☑

26. Declaration

Date (cannot be pre-application)	02/08/2021