



**CERTIFICATE OF LAWFUL USE OR DEVELOPMENT**

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 SECTIONS 191 (as amended)  
Town and Country Planning General Permitted Development Order 2015 (as amended)

**APPLICATION NO. 2025/0227**

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Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council hereby certify that the development described in the First Schedule hereto, in respect of the land specified in the Second Schedule hereto and edged red on the plan attached to this certificate, would be lawful within the meaning of Section 191 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended), for the following reason

- In accordance with The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015, the development falls within Class A (enlargement, improvement or other alteration of a dwellinghouse) of (PART 1 - Development within the curtilage of a dwellinghouse).

**First Schedule:**

Lawful Development Certificate for an existing C4 House of Multiple Occupation (HMO).

**Second Schedule:**

120 Dodworth Road, Barnsley, S70 6HL

**Informative**

1. This application for a certificate of lawfulness for an existing use only relates to a C4 (houses in multiple occupation) use which is a small, shared house occupied by between three and six unrelated individuals, as their only or main residence, who share basic amenities such as a kitchen or bathroom. If more than six unrelated individuals reside in the property at any point, then a change of use application from C4 (houses in multiple occupation) to Sui Generis would be required.

Please be aware that the Council monitors construction sites and open land within the vicinity of such sites in an attempt to prevent fly tipping (i.e. unauthorised deposit of waste on land), which is illegal under the Environmental Protection Act 1990. The penalties for fly-tipping can include:

- a fine of up to £50,000 and
- up to six months imprisonment on conviction.

Therefore, if necessary, please ensure that all demolition waste and waste associated with the construction of any development is disposed of via approved methods and that documents are retained to prove this.

Signed:

Dated: 4 June 2025

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'G' and 'H' followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

**Garry Hildersley**

Head of Planning, Policy & Building Control  
Growth & Sustainability Directorate

**Notes:**

1. This certificate is issued solely for the purpose of section 191 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
2. It certifies that the use specified in the First Schedule taking place on the land described in the Second Schedule was lawful on the specified date and thus, was not liable to enforcement action under section 172 of the 1990 Act on that date.
3. This certificate applies only to the extent of the use described in the First Schedule and to the land specified in the Second Schedule and identified on the attached plan. Any use which is materially different from that described or which relates to other land may render the owner or occupier liable to enforcement action.
4. The effect of the certificate is also qualified by the proviso in section 191(6) of the 1990 Act, as amended, which states that the lawfulness of any use, operations or other matter for which a certificate is in force under this section shall be conclusively presumed.

# STATUTORY BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN CONDITION

## DEEMED CONDITION

**(As required Schedule 7a of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) and inserted by the Environment Act 2021)**

Development may not be begun unless:

1. A Biodiversity Gain Plan has been submitted to the planning authority; and
2. The Local Planning Authority has approved the plan.

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) any such other matters as the Secretary of State may by regulations specify.

In addition, under Articles 37C(2) and 37C(4) of The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015, the following specified matters are required, where development is not to proceed in phases:

- g) name and address of the person completing the Plan, and (if different) the person submitting the Plan;
- h) a description of the development and planning permission reference number (to which the plan relates);
- i) the [relevant date](#), for the purposes of calculating the pre-development biodiversity value of onsite habitats and if proposing an earlier date, the reasons for using this earlier date;
- j) [the completed biodiversity metric calculation tool\(s\)](#), stating the publication date of the tool(s), and showing the calculation of the pre-development onsite value on the [relevant date](#), and post-development biodiversity value;
- k) a description of arrangements for maintenance and monitoring of habitat enhancement to which paragraph 9(3) of Schedule 7A to the 1990 Act applies (habitat enhancement which must be maintained for at least 30 years after the development is completed);
- l) (except for onsite irreplaceable habitats) a description of how the biodiversity gain hierarchy will be followed and where to the extent any actions (in order of priority) in that hierarchy are not followed and the reason for that;
- m) pre-development and post-development plans showing the location of onsite habitat (including any irreplaceable habitat) on the [relevant date](#), and drawn to an identified scale and showing the direction of North;
- n) a description of any [irreplaceable habitat](#) on the land to which the plan relates which exist on the [relevant date](#), and any part of the development for which planning permission is granted where the onsite habitat of that part is irreplaceable habitat arrangements for compensation for any impact the development has on the biodiversity of the irreplaceable habitat; and
- o) if [habitat degradation](#) has taken place:
  - i. a statement to this effect,
  - ii. the date immediately before the degradation activity,

- iii. the completed biodiversity tool showing the calculation of the biodiversity value of the onsite habitat on that date, and
- iv. any available supporting evidence for the value.

#### **INFORMATIVE 1**

When calculating the post-development biodiversity value of a habitat, the Local 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. This must be secured either by a planning condition, planning obligation, or conservation covenant

#### **INFORMATIVE 2**

The General Biodiversity Gain Condition has a separate legal basis in contrast to other planning conditions and will apply to all planning permissions, unless exempt. The General Biodiversity Gain Condition will therefore not appear on the decision notice along with the list of planning conditions imposed on the application, rather it will be referenced separately.

The General Biodiversity Gain Condition cannot be varied or removed by an application under section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act. It also cannot be discharged as part of the grant of planning permission.

#### **INFORMATIVE 3**

A Biodiversity Net Gain Template can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/biodiversity-gain-plan>

#### **INFORMATIVE 4**

The statutory deemed condition above is relevant to all major applications submitted since 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024 and to all non-major applications submitted after 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2024, unless exempt. The onus is on the applicant/agent to notify the Local Planning Authority at

[developmentmanagement@barnsley.gov.uk](mailto:developmentmanagement@barnsley.gov.uk) if the application was exempt and provide the reasons for the exemption. Exemptions can be found at this link <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/biodiversity-net-gain-exempt-developments>