

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (GENERAL PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT) ORDER 2015 (AS AMENDED)**

**DIRECTION MADE UNDER ARTICLE 4(1) TO WHICH SCHEDULE 3 APPLIES**

**WHEREAS** Reading Borough Council being the appropriate local planning authority within the meaning of article 4(5) of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (as amended) (“the Order”), is satisfied that it is expedient that development of the description(s) set out in the First Schedule of this Direction should not be carried out on the land described in the Second Schedule, unless planning permission is granted on an application made under Part III of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended,

**NOW THEREFORE** the said Council in pursuance of the power conferred on it by article 4(1) of the Order hereby directs that the permitted development granted by Article 3 of the said Order shall not apply to development specified in the First Schedule of this Direction on the land described in the Second Schedule of this Direction:

## **FIRST SCHEDULE**

Development within Classes M, MA and N of Part 3 of Schedule 2 and Classes ZA, AA, and AB of Part 20 of Schedule 2 to the said Order as amended and not being development comprised within any other Class:

### ***Part 3, Class MA:***

Development consisting of a change of use of a building and any land within its curtilage from a use falling within Class E (commercial, business and service) of Schedule 2 to the Use Classes Order to a use falling within Class C3 (dwellinghouses) of Schedule 1 to that Order.

In accordance with Article 4 (2) (a) of the Order, this Direction does not affect the carrying out of development where in relation to that development the prior approval date occurs before the date on which the direction comes into force on 15 November 2022 and the development is completed within a period of 3 years starting with the prior approval date.

### ***Part 3, Class M:***

Development consisting of—

- (a) a change of use of a building from—
  - (i) a use falling within one of the following—
    - (aa) launderette;
    - (bb) betting office;
    - (cc) payday loan shop;
    - (dd) hot food takeaway; or
  - (ii) a mixed use combining use as a dwellinghouse with a use falling within one of the uses mentioned in paragraph (i)(aa), (bb) or (cc) (whether that use was granted permission under Class G of this Part or otherwise);  
to a use falling within Class C3 (dwellinghouses) of Schedule 1 to the Use Classes Order; or
- (b) development referred to in paragraph (a) together with building operations reasonably necessary to convert the building to a use falling within Class C3 (dwellinghouses).

In accordance with Article 4 (2) (a) of the Order, this Direction does not affect the carrying out of development where in relation to that development the prior approval date occurs before the date on which the direction comes into force on 15 November 2022 and the development is completed within a period of 3 years starting with the prior approval date.

### ***Part 3, Class N:***

Development consisting of—

- (a) a change of use of a building and any land within its curtilage from a use as—
  - (i) an amusement arcade or centre, or
  - (ii) a casino,  
to a use falling within Class C3 (dwellinghouses) of the Schedule to the Use Classes Order;

- (b) development referred to in paragraph (a) together with building operations reasonably necessary to convert the building referred to in paragraph (a) to a use falling within Class C3 (dwellinghouses) of that Schedule.

In accordance with Article 4 (2) (a) of the Order, this Direction does not affect the carrying out of development where in relation to that development the prior approval date occurs before the date on which the direction comes into force on 15 November 2022 and the development is completed within a period of 3 years starting with the prior approval date.

**Part 20, Class ZA:**

- (1) Development consisting of works for the demolition of one or other of -
  - (a) any building comprising a single purpose-built detached block of flats, and
  - (b) any other single detached building, comprising premises established—
    - (i) for office use falling within Class B1(a) of the Schedule to the 1987 Order,
    - (ii) for research and development falling within Class B1(b) of the Schedule to the 1987 Order, or
    - (iii) for an industrial process falling within Class B1(c) of the Schedule to the 1987 Order,or for any combination of them existing on 12 March 2020, together with its replacement by a single building covered by sub-paragraph (2), involving operations listed in sub-paragraph (3).

In accordance with Article 4 (2) (a) of the Order, this Direction does not affect the carrying out of development where in relation to that development the prior approval date occurs before the date on which the direction comes into force on 15 November 2022 and the development is completed within a period of 3 years starting with the prior approval date

- (2) The building in question is to comprise one or other of—
  - (a) a purpose-built detached block of flats, or
  - (b) a purpose-built detached dwellinghouse.
- (3) The operations in question are—
  - (a) operations reasonably necessary for the demolition and construction, which may include the installation of a basement or cellar in the new building, whether or not there is one in the old building;
  - (b) works for the removal of plant servicing the old building;
  - (c) works for the disconnection of services from the old building;
  - (d) works for the removal of any means of access to and egress from the old building;
  - (e) works for the removal of storage and waste from the old building;
  - (f) works for the installation of plant to service the new building;
  - (g) works for the installation of services to be connected to the new building;



- (h) works to enable access to and egress from the new building, including means of escape from fire;
- (i) works for the construction, within the new building, of storage, waste or other ancillary facilities to support the new building;
- (j) the use of scaffolding and other temporary structures to support the operations listed in paragraphs (a) to (i) over a period—
  - (i) starting with their installation no earlier than one month before the beginning of those operations, and
  - (ii) ending with their removal no later than one month after the completion of those operations.

**(4) In relation to Class ZA—**

“development” includes any change of use from the use of the old building to the use of the new building within Class C3 of the Schedule to the 1987 Order;

“the 1987 Order” means the Use Classes Order as in force on 12 March 2020;

“the old building” and “the new building” respectively mean the building proposed for demolition and the building proposed as replacement; and

“services” means water, drainage, electricity, gas, and other services to the extent reasonably necessary for the new building to function as the building in question as defined by sub-paragraph (2) above.

**Part 20, Class AA**

(1) Development consisting of works for the construction of up to two additional storeys of new dwellinghouses immediately above the topmost storey on a detached building to which sub-paragraph (2) applies, together with any or all—

- (a) engineering operations reasonably necessary to construct the additional storeys and new dwellinghouses;
- (b) works for the replacement of existing plant or installation of additional plant on the roof of the extended building reasonably necessary to service the new dwellinghouses;
- (c) works for the construction of appropriate and safe access to and egress from the new dwellinghouses and existing premises in the building, including means of escape from fire, via additional external doors or external staircases;
- (d) works for the construction of storage, waste or other ancillary facilities reasonably necessary to support the new dwellinghouses.

(2) This sub-paragraph applies to a building which is—

- (a) used for any purpose within Class A1 (shops), Class A2 (financial and professional services), Class A3 (restaurants and cafes) or Class B1(a) (offices) of the Schedule to the 1987 Order, or as a betting office, pay day loan shop or launderette;
- (b) in a mixed use combining—
  - (i) two or more uses within paragraph (a); or

- (ii) a use falling within Class C3 (dwellinghouses) of the Schedule to the 1987 Order, together with one or more uses within paragraph (a).

(3) In relation to Class AA, “the 1987 Order” means the Use Classes Order as in force on 5th March 2018.

In accordance with Article 4 (2) (a) of the Order, this Direction does not affect the carrying out of development where in relation to that development the prior approval date occurs before the date on which the direction comes into force on 15 November 2022 and the development is completed within a period of 3 years starting with the prior approval date.

**Part 20, Class AB**

(1) Development consisting of works for the construction of new dwellinghouses immediately above the topmost storey on a terrace building to which sub-paragraph(2) applies, where that development comprises—

- (a) up to two additional storeys, in the case of an existing building consisting of two or more storeys;
- (b) one additional storey, in the case of an existing building consisting of one storey,

together with any development under sub-paragraph (3).

(2) This sub-paragraph applies to a building which is—

- (a) used for any purpose within Class A1 (shops), Class A2 (financial and professional services), Class A3 (restaurants and cafes) or Class B1(a) (offices) of the Schedule to the 1987 Order, or as a betting office, pay day loan shop or launderette;
- (b) in a mixed use combining—
  - (i) two or more uses within paragraph (a); or
  - (ii) a use falling within Class C3 (dwellinghouses) of the Schedule to the 1987 Order, together with one or more uses within paragraph (a).

(3) Development consisting of any or all—

- (a) engineering operations reasonably necessary to construct the additional storeys and new dwellinghouses;
- (b) works for the replacement of existing plant or installation of additional plant on the roof of the extended building reasonably necessary to service the new dwellinghouses;
- (c) works for the construction of appropriate and safe access to and egress from the new dwellinghouses and existing premises, including means of escape from fire, via additional external doors or external staircases;
- (d) works for the construction of storage, waste or other ancillary facilities reasonably necessary to support the new dwellinghouses.

(4) In relation to Class AB, “the 1987 Order” means the Use Classes Order as in force on 5th March 2018.

In accordance with Article 4 (2) (a) of the Order, this Direction does not affect the carrying out of development where in relation to that development the prior approval date occurs before the date on which the direction comes into force on 15 November 2022 and the development is completed within a period of 3 years starting with the prior approval date.

## **SECOND SCHEDULE**

This Direction shall apply only to land and properties shaded grey shown on the attached maps.