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**FOR DECISION DATED**  
7 October 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

**The Town and Country Planning Act 1990, (as amended)**  
**Decision Notice**

**Application:** 24/2066/HOT  
**Your ref:** LW202400066 50 Upper Grotto R...  
**Our ref:** DC/PSH/24/2066/HOT/HOT  
**Applicant:** Culbert  
**Agent:** Other More Space

**WHEREAS** in accordance with the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and the orders made thereunder, you have made an application received on **14 August 2024** and illustrated by plans for the permission of the Local Planning Authority to develop land situated at:

**50 Upper Grotto Road Twickenham TW1 4NF**

for

**Proposed single storey ground floor rear and side extension following demolition of existing rear extension.**

NOW THEREFORE WE THE MAYOR AND BURGESSES OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF RICHMOND UPON THAMES acting by the Council of the said Borough, the Local Planning Authority HEREBY GIVE YOU NOTICE pursuant to the said Act and the Orders made thereunder that permission to develop the said land in accordance with the said application is hereby **GRANTED** subject to the conditions and informatives summarised and listed on the attached schedule.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Angus', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert Angus  
Head of Development Management

# SCHEDULE OF CONDITIONS AND INFORMATIVES FOR APPLICATION 24/2066/HOT

## APPLICANT NAME

Culbert  
50 Upper Grotto Road  
Twickenham  
Richmond Upon Thames  
TW1 4NF

## AGENT NAME

Other More Space  
112 Gunnersbury Avenue  
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## SITE

50 Upper Grotto Road Twickenham TW1 4NF

## PROPOSAL

Proposed single storey ground floor rear and side extension following demolition of existing rear extension.

## SUMMARY OF CONDITIONS AND INFORMATIVES

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### CONDITIONS

AT01	Development begun within 3 years
U0190248	Approved Drawings
U0190249	Fire Safety
BD09A	Brickwork to match existing
BD14A	Materials to match existing

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### INFORMATIVES

U0094737	Composite Informative
BNG02	Biodiversity Gain Plan No Pre-Approval
U0094738	NPPF Approval - Para. 38-42

# DETAILED CONDITIONS AND INFORMATIVES

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## DETAILED CONDITIONS

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### **AT01 Development begun within 3 years**

The development to which this permission relates must be begun not later than the expiration of three years beginning with the date of this permission.

REASON: To conform with the requirements of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended by the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

### **U0190248 Approved Drawings**

The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following drawings:

01; 02; 03; 04; 05; 06 received the 30th September 2024  
Location Plan and Application Form received the 14th August 2024

REASON: To accord with the terms of the application, for the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper planning.

### **U0190249 Fire Safety**

The recommendations contained in the Fire Safety Statement prepared by MORE SPACE, received 14th August 2024, shall be implemented and retained thereafter.

Reason: To ensure the fire safety of the development.

### **BD09A Brickwork to match existing**

No new brickwork including works of making good shall be carried out other than in materials, bonding and pointing to match the existing facing work.

REASON: To ensure that the proposed development is in keeping with the existing building(s) and does not prejudice the appearance of the locality.

### **BD14A Materials to match existing**

No new external finishes (including fenestration), including works of making good, shall be carried out other than in materials to match the existing.

REASON: To ensure that the proposed development is in keeping with the existing building(s) and does not prejudice the appearance of the locality.

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## DETAILED INFORMATIVES

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### **U0094737 Composite Informative**

#### **Reason for granting:**

The proposal has been considered in the light of the Development Plan, comments from statutory consultees and third parties (where relevant) and compliance with Supplementary Planning Guidance as appropriate. It has been concluded that there is not a demonstrable harm to interests of acknowledged importance caused by the development that justifies withholding planning permission.

#### **Principal Policies:**

Where relevant, the following have been taken into account in the consideration of this proposal:-

London Plan Policies: D4, D11, D12

Local Plan Policies: LP1, LP8, LP21

Supplementary Planning Guidance: House Extensions and External Alterations

**Building Regulations:**

The applicant is advised that the erection of new buildings or alterations to existing buildings should comply with the Building Regulations. This permission is NOT a consent under the Building Regulations for which a separate application should be made. For application forms and advice please contact the Building Control department, 2nd floor, Civic Centre, 44 York Street, Twickenham, TW1 3BZ. (Tel: 020 8891 1411). If you alter your proposals in any way, including to comply with the Building Regulations, a further planning application may be required. If you wish to deviate in any way from the proposals shown on the approved drawings you should contact the Development Management department, 2nd floor, Civic Centre, 44 York Street, Twickenham, TW1 3BZ. (Tel: 020 8891 1411).

**Damage to the public highway:**

Care should be taken to ensure that no damage is caused to the public highway adjacent to the site during demolition and (or) construction. The Council will seek to recover any expenses incurred in repairing or making good such damage from the owner of the land in question or the person causing or responsible for the damage.

BEFORE ANY WORK COMMENCES you MUST contact the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames, 44 York Street, Twickenham TW1 3BZ, Telephone 020 8891 1411 to arrange a pre-commencement photographic survey of the public highways adjacent to and within the vicinity of the site. The precondition survey will ensure you are not charged for any damage which existed prior to commencement of your works.

If you fail to contact us to arrange a pre commencement survey then it will be assumed that any damage to the highway was caused by your activities and you will be charged the full cost of repair.

Once the site works are completed you need to contact us again to arrange for a post construction inspection to be carried out. If there is no further damage then the case will be closed. If damage or further damage is found to have occurred then you will be asked to pay for repairs to be carried out.

**Noise control - Building sites:**

The attention of the applicant is drawn to the requirements of Section 60 of the Control of Pollution Act 1974 in respect of the minimisation of noise and vibration on construction and demolition sites. Application, under section 61 of the Act for prior consent to the works, can be made to the Environmental Health department.

Under the Act the Council has certain powers to control noise from construction sites. Typically the council will limit the times during which sites are permitted to make noise that their neighbours can hear.

For general construction works the Council usually imposes (when necessary) the following limits on noisy works:-

Monday to Friday 8am to 6pm

Saturdays 8am to 1pm

Sundays and Public Holidays - No noisy activities allowed

Applicants should also be aware of the guidance contained in British Standard BS 5228-1:2009+A1:2014 - Noise and vibration control on construction and open sites.

Any enquiries for further information should be made to the Noise & Nuisance Team, Regulatory Services Partnership [NoiseandNuisance@merton.gov.uk](mailto:NoiseandNuisance@merton.gov.uk).

Approval of a Biodiversity Gain Plan will not be required before development commences

## Biodiversity Net Gain

The effect of paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 is that planning permission granted for development of land in England is deemed to have been granted subject to the condition ('biodiversity gain condition') that development may not begin unless:

- (a) a Biodiversity Gain Plan has been submitted to the planning authority, and
- (b) the planning authority has approved the plan.

The planning authority, for the purposes of determining whether to approve a Biodiversity Gain Plan, if one is required in respect of this permission would be the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames.

There are statutory exemptions and transitional arrangements which mean that the biodiversity gain condition does not always apply. These are listed below.

Based on the information available this permission is considered to be one which will not require the approval of a biodiversity gain plan before development is begun because one or more of the statutory exemptions or transitional arrangements in the list below is/are considered to apply.

Statutory exemptions and transitional arrangements in respect of the biodiversity gain condition.

1. The application for planning permission was made before 12 February 2024.
2. The planning permission relates to development to which section 73A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (planning permission for development already carried out) applies.
3. The planning permission was granted on an application made under section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and
  - (i) the original planning permission to which the section 73 planning permission relates\* was granted before 12 February 2024; or
  - (ii) the application for the original planning permission\* to which the section 73 planning permission relates was made before 12 February 2024.
4. The permission which has been granted is for development which is exempt being:
  - 4.1 Development which is not 'major development' (within the meaning of article 2(1) of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015) where:
    - (i) the application for planning permission was made before 2 April 2024;
    - (ii) planning permission is granted which has effect before 2 April 2024; or
    - (iii) planning permission is granted on an application made under section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 where the original permission to which the section 73 permission relates\* was exempt by virtue of (i) or (ii).
  - 4.2 Development below the de minimis threshold, meaning development which:
    - (i) does not impact an onsite priority habitat (a habitat specified in a list published under section 41 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006); and
    - (ii) impacts less than 25 square metres of onsite habitat that has biodiversity value greater than zero and less than 5 metres in length of onsite linear habitat (as defined in the statutory metric).
  - 4.3 Development which is subject of a householder application within the meaning of article 2(1) of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015. A 'householder application' means an application for planning permission for development for an existing dwellinghouse, or development within the curtilage of such a dwellinghouse for any purpose incidental to the enjoyment of the dwellinghouse which is not an application for change of use or an application to change the number of dwellings in a building.

4.4 Development of a biodiversity gain site, meaning development which is undertaken solely or mainly for the purpose of fulfilling, in whole or in part, the Biodiversity Gain Planning condition which applies in relation to another development, (no account is to be taken of any facility for the public to access or to use the site for educational or recreational purposes, if that access or use is permitted without the payment of a fee).

4.5 Self and Custom Build Development, meaning development which:

- (i) consists of no more than 9 dwellings;
- (ii) is carried out on a site which has an area no larger than 0.5 hectares; and
- (iii) consists exclusively of dwellings which are self-build or custom housebuilding (as defined in section 1(A1) of the Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015).

4.6 Development forming part of, or ancillary to, the high speed railway transport network (High Speed 2) comprising connections between all or any of the places or parts of the transport network specified in section 1(2) of the High Speed Rail (Preparation) Act 2013.

\* 'original planning permission means the permission to which the section 73 planning permission relates' means a planning permission which is the first in a sequence of two or more planning permissions, where the second and any subsequent planning permissions are section 73 planning permissions.

Irreplaceable habitat

If the onsite habitat includes irreplaceable habitat (within the meaning of the Biodiversity Gain Requirements (Irreplaceable Habitat) Regulations 2024) there are additional requirements for the content and approval of Biodiversity Gain Plans.

The Biodiversity Gain Plan must include, in addition to information about steps taken or to be taken to minimise any adverse effect of the development on the habitat, information on arrangements for compensation for any impact the development has on the biodiversity of the irreplaceable habitat.

The planning authority can only approve a Biodiversity Gain Plan if satisfied that the adverse effect of the development on the biodiversity of the irreplaceable habitat is minimised and appropriate arrangements have been made for the purpose of compensating for any impact which do not include the use of biodiversity credits.

The effect of section 73D of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990

If planning permission is granted on an application made under section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (application to develop land without compliance with conditions previously attached) and a Biodiversity Gain Plan was approved in relation to the previous planning permission ('the earlier Biodiversity Gain Plan') there are circumstances when the earlier Biodiversity Gain Plan is regarded as approved for the purpose of discharging the biodiversity gain condition subject to which the section 73 planning permission is granted.

Those circumstances are that the conditions subject to which the section 73 permission is granted:

- (i) do not affect the post-development value of the onsite habitat as specified in the earlier Biodiversity Gain Plan, and
- (ii) in the case of planning permission for a development where all or any part of the onsite habitat is irreplaceable habitat the conditions do not change the effect of the development on the biodiversity of that onsite habitat (including any arrangements made to compensate for any such effect) as specified in the earlier Biodiversity Gain Plan.

In accordance with paragraphs 38-42 of the National Planning Policy Framework, Richmond upon Thames Borough Council takes a positive and proactive approach to the delivery of sustainable development, by:

- o Providing a formal pre-application service
- o Providing written policies and guidance, all of which is available to view on the Council's website
- o Where appropriate, negotiating amendments to secure a positive decision
- o Determining applications in a timely manner.

In this instance:

- o The application was amended following negotiations with the Council to ensure the scheme complied with adopted policy and guidance, and a decision was made without delay.

END OF SCHEDULE OF CONDITIONS AND INFORMATIVES FOR APPLICATION  
24/2066/HOT

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# **HOT Applications**

## **Making an Appeal – Summary Guidance**

### **Whether to appeal**

If the Local Planning Authority (LPA) turn down your application, you should look carefully at the reasons why they turned it down before you make an appeal. You should speak to the LPA to see if you can sort out the problem - perhaps by changing your proposal. An appeal should only ever be a last resort.

### **Type of appeal**

Refusal of permission for HOT applications – this type of appeal is appropriate for domestic alterations and extensions and any ancillary development in the garden. It is not appropriate for alterations to flats.

### **Appeal time**

Within 12 weeks of the date of this notice.

### **Who can appeal**

The applicant or their agent may lodge an appeal

### **The appeals process**

Appeals must be made

- Online at [www.planninginspectorate.gov.uk](http://www.planninginspectorate.gov.uk), or
- Using a form which you can get from Initial Appeals, The Planning Inspectorate, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN.

It will be expected that all appeal documentation will be submitted electronically.

The Planning Inspectorate (on behalf of the Secretary of State) will determine the appeal procedure to be followed. Normally this will proceed by way of the Householder Appeal Service which will rely solely on information submitted at application stage. The Council will send copies of any letters of objection or support they received when considering your application. Further submissions or statements will not be accepted by the Planning Inspectorate.

Your householder appeal will be decided by a Planning Inspector. He/she will consider all the application documents and grounds of appeal and also make an unaccompanied visit to the appeal site. You may be required to provide access to the site for the Inspector.

### **Appeal decision**

80% of householder appeal decisions will be issued within 8 weeks from the start date of the appeal.

Further information available from:

The Planning Inspectorate –

Website [www.planninginspectorate.gov.uk](http://www.planninginspectorate.gov.uk)

Email [enquiries@pins.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@pins.gsi.gov.uk)

Telephone 0303 444 5000

London Borough of Richmond Upon Thames -

Website [www.richmond.gov.uk/planning](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/planning)

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Telephone 020 8891 1411 for advice