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Application for Planning Permission and for relevant demolition of an unlisted building in a conservation area 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	<input type="text"/>
Suffix	<input type="text"/>
Property name	<input type="text" value="Branch Hill Allotment"/>
Address line 1	<input type="text" value="Branch Hill"/>
Address line 2	<input type="text"/>
Address line 3	<input type="text"/>
Town/city	<input type="text" value="London"/>
Postcode	<input type="text" value="NW3 7LS"/>

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

Easting (x)	<input type="text" value="526079"/>
Northing (y)	<input type="text" value="186023"/>

Description

2. Applicant Details

Title	<input type="text" value="Green Space Project Officer"/>
First name	<input type="text" value="Joe"/>
Surname	<input type="text" value="Lewis"/>
Company name	<input type="text" value="The London Borough of Camden"/>
Address line 1	<input type="text" value="The London Borough of Camden"/>
Address line 2	<input type="text" value="5 Pancras Square"/>
Address line 3	<input type="text"/>
Town/city	<input type="text" value="London"/>
Country	<input type="text"/>

2. Applicant Details

Postcode

N1C 4AG

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Primary number

Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

3. Agent Details

Title

Senior Landscape Architect

First name

Liv

Surname

Chilton

Company name

LUC

Address line 1

250 Waterloo Road

Address line 2

Address line 3

Town/city

London

Country

United Kingdom

Postcode

SE1 8RD

Primary number

Secondary number

Fax number

Email

4. Site Area

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

2661.00

Unit

Sq. metres

5. Site Information

Title number(s)

Please add the title number(s) for the existing building(s) on the site. If the site has no title numbers, please enter "Unregistered"

Title Number	Unregistered
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Energy Performance Certificate

Do any of the buildings on the application site have an Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Public/Private Ownership

5. Site Information

What is the current ownership status of the site? ☒ Public ☐ Private ☐ Mixed

6. 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 and details of the proposed demolition.

The site is Branch Hill Allotment, Branch Hill, London, NW3 7LS and is owned by London Borough Camden. The site is understood to have once comprised part of the gardens of Branch Hill House. Historically, asbestos containing material was observed at surface on one plot. This led to the decision being taken to investigate the site as a whole.

Following a number of phases of site investigations and data analysis by LEAP Environment Ltd, it was concluded that some plots within the allotment site may require some form of remediation as a result of risks posed by elevated concentrations of lead, benzo[a]pyrene and/or asbestos.

Following careful assessment, the decision was taken not to designate the site as contaminated land under Part 2A of the Environmental Protection Act of 1990 and a voluntary remediation approach is recommended.

A Remediation Options Appraisal was undertaken to consider the viable options for remediation of selected plots and establish which provides the best overall approach to remediation to ensure that the pollutant linkages which will likely form the basis of the determinations are no longer significant pollutant linkages.

Through this process it was decided that the best approach was to raise the levels across the whole site by c.500mm in depth in conjunction with the installation of a capping barrier below the new imported soil as well as below the network of internal paths to prevent plot holders coming into contact with contaminated soil. This option has the benefit of no significant soil disposal (thus significantly reducing vehicle movements which would have significant negative impact to the local community) and does not require the handling of impacted soils (as raised beds would simply be constructed over the impacted soils). The drawback of this option is that that some future monitoring of the site will be required to ensure that future tenants adhere to the growing restrictions in specific areas where raising the levels is not viable due to existing trees RPAs.

There is one existing shed on site which will be carefully disassembled and re-built to suit new levels and four compost bins which will be demolished.

There are also several existing trees surrounding the site which have been detailed in the AIA supporting this application, a number of which are proposed to be removed.

A Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (PEA) of the site in included in support of this application. The recommendations regarding Construction Activities set out in Table 2 of the PEA will be followed during site clearance and construction. Those recommendations regarding development design (mitigation and enhancement) set out in Table 2 and Figure 2 of the PEA will be implemented upon the completion of the works.

Has the work or change of use already started? ☐ Yes ☒ No

7. Further information about the Proposed Development

Are the proposals eligible for the 'Fast Track Route' based on the affordable housing threshold and other criteria? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Do the proposals cover the whole existing building(s)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Where proposals only affect part(s) of building(s), please provide details (e.g. 'Rear Ground Floor', 'Unit 1 - 1st-3rd Floor')

No buildings are affected by the works. However there is one existing shed on site which will be carefully disassembled and re-built to suit new levels and four compost bins which will be demolished.

Current lead Registered Social Landlord (RSL)

If the proposal includes affordable housing, has a Registered Social Landlord been confirmed? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If the proposal does not include affordable housing, select 'No'.

Details of building(s)

Please add details for each new separate building(s) being proposed (all fields must be completed). Please only include existing building(s) if they are increasing in height as part of the proposal.

Building reference	None proposed
Maximum height (Metres)	0
Number of storeys	0

Loss of garden land

Will the proposal result in the loss of any residential garden land? ☐ Yes ☒ No

7. Further information about the Proposed Development

Projected cost of works

Please provide the estimated total cost of the proposal

Up to £2m

8. Vacant Building Credit

Does the proposed development qualify for the vacant building credit?

☐ Yes ☒ No

9. Superseded consents

Does this proposal supersede any existing consent(s)?

☐ Yes ☒ No

10. Development Dates

Please add the expected commencement and completion dates for all phases of the proposed development. If the entire development is to be completed in a single phase, state in the 'Phase Detail' that it covers the 'Entire Development'.

Phase Detail	Commencement Month	Commencement Year	Completion Month	Completion Year
Demolition and construction	October	2021	February	2022

11. Scheme and Developer Information

Scheme Name

Does the scheme have a name?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Developer Information

Has a lead developer been assigned?

☐ Yes ☒ No

12. Explanation for Proposed Demolition Work

Why is it necessary to demolish all or part of the building(s) and/or structure(s)?

It is necessary to carefully disassemble and reinstate the existing shed in order to raise the levels of the site. This will allow for the creation of non contaminated growing space for allotment holders. The four compost bins will be demolished as they are in a state of disrepair.

13. Existing Use

Please describe the current use of the site

The site is currently used as allotments. This use will not change.

Is the site currently vacant?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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

14. Existing and Proposed Uses

Please add details of the Gross Internal Area (GIA) for all current uses and how this will change based on the proposed development. Details of the floor area for any proposed new uses should also be added.

Following changes to Use Classes on 1 September 2020: The list includes the now revoked Use Classes A1-5, B1, and D1-2 that should not be used in most

14. Existing and Proposed Uses

cases. Also, the list does not include the newly introduced Use Classes E and F1-2. To provide details in relation to these, select 'Other' and specify the use where prompted. View further information on Use Classes. Multiple 'Other' options can be added to cover each individual use. If the 'Other' option is not displayed, please contact our service desk to resolve this.

Use Class	Existing gross internal floor area (square metres)	Gross internal floor area lost (including by change of use) (square metres)	Gross internal floor area gained (including change of use) (square metres)
OTHER No built footprint	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

15. Materials

Does the proposed development require any materials to be used externally? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Please provide a description of existing and proposed materials and finishes to be used externally (including type, colour and name for each material):

Boundary treatments (e.g. fences, walls)	
Description of existing materials and finishes (optional):	The site has a number of different boundary treatments including timber fence, steel palisade fence, and brick walls which will all remain unchanged with the proposals.
Description of proposed materials and finishes:	Proposed welded mesh gabions 0.45m wide, 0.5m height. Hand packed with crushed angular stone. Proposed 500mm high raised planters made from 200x100mm UK sourced oak sleepers. Interconnected with stainless steel timberlock screws.

Are you supplying additional information on submitted plans, drawings or a design and access statement? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, please state references for the plans, drawings and/or design and access statement

Please see: 11358-LD-PLN-010 Branch Hill Location Plan, 11358-LD-PLN-030 Branch Hill Existing site plan, 11358-LD-PLN-110 Branch Hill Demolitions, 11358-LD-PLN-050 Branch Hill General Arrangement, 11358-LD-SEC-610 Branch Hill Existing site sections, 11358-LD-SEC-615 Branch Hill Proposed site sections, 11358-LD-PLN-710 Branch Hill Contractors Compound and Site Access, 11358-LD-SPE-801 Outline Landscape Specification E, 11358-LD-REP-001 - Design and Access Statement Branch Hill

16. 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

17. Vehicle Parking

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

18. Electric vehicle charging points

Do the proposals include electric vehicle charging points and/or hydrogen refuelling facilities?

☐ Yes ☒ No

19. 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'.

20. 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

☐ Soakaway

☐ Main sewer

☒ Pond/lake

21. 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

22. Open and Protected Space

Will the proposed development result in the loss, gain or change of use of any open space? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Will the proposed development result in the loss, gain or change of use of a site protected with a nature designation? ☐ Yes ☒ No

23. Foul Sewage

Please state how foul sewage is to be disposed of:

- ☐ Mains Sewer
- ☐ Septic Tank
- ☐ Package Treatment plant
- ☐ Cess Pit
- ☐ Other
- ☒ Unknown

Are you proposing to connect to the existing drainage system? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown

24. Water Management

Please state the expected percentage reduction of surface water discharge (for a 1 in 100-year rainfall event) from the proposal

Are Green Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) incorporated into the drainage design for the proposal? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Please state the expected internal residential water usage of the proposal (litres per person per day)

Does the proposal include the harvesting of rainfall? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Does the proposal include re-use of grey water? ☐ Yes ☒ No

25. Waste and recycling provision

Does every unit in this proposal (residential and non-residential) have dedicated internal and external storage space for dry recycling, food waste and residual waste? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If no, please add details of every unit that does not provide all of the above, indicating what is and isn't provided and the reason why all of these spaces cannot be provided

n/a	
Internal Dry Recycling	
Internal Food Waste	
Internal Residual Waste	
External Dry Recycling	
External Food Waste	
External Residual Waste	
Reason	No building proposed

26. Trade Effluent

Does the proposal involve the need to dispose of trade effluents or trade waste? ☐ Yes ☒ No

27. Residential Units

Does this proposal involve the loss or replacement of any self-contained residential units or student accommodation (including those being rebuilt)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Does this proposal involve the addition of any self-contained residential units or student accommodation (including those being rebuilt)? ☐ Yes ☒ No

28. Non-Permanent Dwellings

Please add details of any non-permanent dwellings (if used as main residence e.g. caravans, mobile homes, converted railway carriages, etc...), traveller pitches/plots or houseboat moorings that this proposal seeks to add or remove

29. Other Residential Accommodation

Please add details of any non self-contained accommodation, based on the categories in the drop down menu, that this proposal seeks to add, remove or rebuild.

Provision for older people

Please specify the number of proposed rooms, of the types listed below, to be specifically provided for older people

Older persons care home accommodation - Residential care homes (Use Class C2)

0

Older persons supported and specialised accommodation - Hostel (Sui Generis Use)

0

30. Utilities

Water and gas connections

Number of new water connections required

0

Number of new gas connections required

0

Fire safety

Is a fire suppression system proposed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Internet connections

Number of residential units to be served by full fibre internet connections

0

Number of non-residential units to be served by full fibre internet connections

0

Mobile networks

Has consultation with mobile network operators been carried out? ☐ Yes ☒ No

31. Environmental Impacts

Community energy

Will the proposal provide any on-site community-owned energy generation? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Heat pumps

Will the proposal provide any heat pumps? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Solar energy

Does the proposal include solar energy of any kind? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Passive cooling units

Number of proposed residential units with passive cooling

0

Emissions

31. Environmental Impacts

NOx total annual emissions (Kilograms)

0.00

Particulate matter (PM) total annual emissions (Kilograms)

0.00

Greenhouse gas emission reductions

Are the on-site Greenhouse gas emission reductions at least 35% above those set out in Part L of Building Regulations 2013?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Green Roof

Proposed area of 'Green Roof' to be added (Square metres)

0.00

Urban Greening Factor

Please enter the Urban Greening Factor score

0.00

Residential units with electrical heating

Number of proposed residential units with electrical heating

0

Reused/Recycled materials

Percentage of demolition/construction material to be reused/recycled

0

32. Employment

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

☐ Yes

☒ No

33. Hours of Opening

Are Hours of Opening relevant to this proposal?

☐ Yes

☒ No

34. 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

35. Hazardous Substances

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

☐ Yes

☒ No

36. 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

37. Pre-application Advice

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

☐ Yes

☒ No

38. 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.

☒ Yes ☐ No

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?

If yes, please provide details of their name, role, and how they are related:

39. Ownership Certificates and Agricultural Land Declaration

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

I certify/The applicant certifies that on the day 21 days before the date of this application nobody except myself/the applicant was the owner* of any part of the land or building to which the application relates, and that none of the land to which the application relates is, or is part of, an agricultural holding**

* 'owner' is a person with a freehold interest or leasehold interest with at least 7 years left to run. ** 'agricultural holding' has the meaning given by reference to the definition of 'agricultural tenant' in section 65(8) of the Act.

NOTE: You should sign Certificate B, C or D, as appropriate, if you are the sole owner of the land or building to which the application relates but the land is, or is part of, an agricultural holding.

Person role

- ☐ The applicant
☒ The agent

Title	<input type="text"/>
First name	<input type="text" value="Liv"/>
Surname	<input type="text" value="Chilton"/>
Declaration date (DD/MM/YYYY)	<input type="text" value="10/08/2021"/>

☒ Declaration made

40. 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. ☒

Date (cannot be pre-application)