



Knowsley Council

**REGENERATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT**

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

PLANNING PERMISSION

Application No: 25/00103/FUL

Name and address of applicant

Mr John Routledge
Land South of Lynton on Field Lane
Field Lane
Fazakerley
UK

Name and address of agent

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LJ Architects Ltd
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Date of Receipt: 17 February 2025

Date Valid: 9 July 2025

Address/Location Of Development:

Land To The Rear Of Lynton
Field Lane
Field Lane Estate
Knowsley

Description of Development:

ERECTION OF 1NO. 4 BEDROOM DWELLING.

The Council of the Metropolitan Borough of Knowsley hereby give notice in pursuance of the above Act(s) that Planning Permission has been **granted** for the carrying out of the development referred to above in accordance with the application and plans submitted subject to the following condition(s):

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

Reason: In order to comply with the requirements of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

2. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the approved plans and documents listed in Schedule 1.

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt.

3. No development approved by this permission shall commence until a Biodiversity Gain Plan for delivery and monitoring of Biodiversity Net Gain, completed statutory Biodiversity Metric, baseline habitat map and proposed site plan have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. These must accord with one another and must show proof of purchase and allocation of any offsite units or statutory credits being used to achieve mandatory 10% BNG.

Reason: In order to meet Biodiversity Net Gain and to ensure compliance with NPPF 2024.

4. A Phase I site investigation shall be submitted for written approval prior to works commencing in order to establish whether there are any concerns of contamination from the current or previous use of the site or adjacent sites. This report shall include the results of a desk study, site walkover, and human health and environmental risk assessment.

If identified as necessary by the desk study a Phase 2 site investigation and remediation proposals shall be submitted for approval prior to works commencing. In any event the applicant/developer is requested to contact the Council's Environmental Protection Unit (Tel: 0151 443 4712) as soon as is practicable should previously unsuspected contamination be encountered during the development of the site. A site completion report shall be submitted for written approval prior to occupation confirming that encountered site conditions were as expected and detailing any necessary remedial actions.

Reason: To protect human health from contamination risks in the interests of safety, to prevent pollution of the water environment and to comply with Policy ENV5 of the Knowsley Replacement Unitary Development Plan, adopted June 2006.

5. Prior to works above slab level, details of bird and bat boxes (including their number, location and detailed specification) shall have been submitted to and have been approved in writing by, the local planning authority. All works shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details prior to occupation of the dwelling and shall be retained as such hereafter. Photographic evidence of installation is required to be submitted prior to occupation of the dwelling.

Reason: In order to secure bird and bat boxes on the site to improve biodiversity in accordance with policy CS8 in the Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy (2016)

6. Prior to the erection of any lighting on site. A lighting scheme shall have been submitted and approved that protects bats and does not result in excessive light spill onto the habitat. This scheme shall be implemented prior to erection of any lighting and retained hereafter.

Reason: In order to protect bats from artificial light.

7. No works shall commence until compaction matting is installed around the root protection area. Construction within the root protection area should accord to the principle that the tree and soil structure take priority and the most reliable way to ensure this is to preserve the root protection area completely undisturbed. Limited excavation may be acceptable subject to justification, using hand tools. Roots under 25mm may be pruned back making a clean cut, except where they appear in clumps. Such roots may be essential in the tree's health and stability.

Reason: In order to protect the tree during construction work.

8. The proposed development shall not be brought into use until precise details of the proposed cycle storage have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall provide two long-stay cycle parking spaces that are covered and secure. The scheme shall be implemented before occupation and retained thereafter.

Reason: To ensure that adequate provision is made for parking cycles securely and to comply with Policy CS7 of the Core Strategy, adopted January 2016

9. No part of the development shall be brought into use until visibility splays of 2 metres by 2 metres have been provided on each side of the access. The depth shall be measured from the back of footway/verge into the site and the width measured outward from the edges of the access. The splays shall be provided clear of obstructions to visibility above the height of 0.6 metres measured from the footway/verge level. Once created, the visibility splays shall be maintained clear of any obstruction and shall be retained at all times.

Reason: To provide the driver of a vehicle using the access and other users of the public highway with adequate inter-visibility and to comply with Policy CS19 of the Core Strategy, adopted January 2016

10. The provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development)

(England) Order 2015 (or any Order revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification) Schedule 2, Part 1 Class a) and Class e) or any amendments

made to that Order, shall not apply to the dwellings approved (Shown on the Proposed Site Plan - Rev P10 - received 17/06/2025):

no extensions shall be carried out to the dwelling(s)
no outbuildings shall be erected.

unless planning permission for such development has been granted by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To protect the residential and visual amenities of the area, safeguard the character of this residential development and to comply with the National Planning Policy Framework; Policies CS2, CS7 and CS19 of the Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy, adopted January 2016 and saved Policy H5 of the Knowsley Replacement Unitary Development Plan, adopted June 2006.

11. The second floor side window hereby approved shall be:

- (i) obscure-glazed, and
- (ii) non-opening unless the parts of the window which can be opened are more than 1.7 metres above the floor of the room in which the window is installed.

Reason: In order to protect the privacy of neighbours.

12. The following reasonable avoidance measures should be put in place to ensure that there are no adverse effects on hedgehogs.

Hedgehogs

- o A pre-commencement check for hedgehog;

- o All trenches and excavations should have a means of escape (e.g. a ramp);
- o Any exposed open pipe systems should be capped to prevent mammals gaining access; and
- o Appropriate storage of materials to ensure that mammals do not use them.

Reason: In the interests of biodiversity conservation, to protect existing wildlife on site and to comply with Policy CS8 of the Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy, adopted January 2016.

13. Any fences installed on site shall have hedgehog highways (13cm x 13cm Gaps in the fences) to allow the free movement of hedgehogs. The gaps shall be installed prior to the erection of the fence and retained hereafter.

Reason: In the interests of biodiversity conservation, to protect existing wildlife on site and to comply with Policy CS8 of the Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy, adopted January 2016.

14. No tree felling, scrub clearance, hedgerow removal, vegetation management, ground clearance is to take place during the period 1 March to 31 August inclusive. If it is necessary to undertake works during the bird breeding season then all trees, scrub, hedgerows, and vegetation are to be checked first by an appropriately experienced ecologist to ensure no breeding birds are present. If present, details of how they will be protected are required to be submitted for approval.

Reason: To protect breeding birds.

15. No construction work shall take place outside the hours of 08:00-18:00 Monday to Friday, 08:00-13:00 hours Saturday and not at all on Sundays/Public Holidays without the prior written permission of the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: In order to protect neighbours from inappropriate noise.

16. When required, water suppression techniques shall be employed throughout the construction phase to prevent dust travelling off-site.

Reason: In order to protect neighbours from dust.

SCHEDULE 1

Date Received	Ref. No	Version	Drawing/Document Title
14/07/2025	P398_105	-	PROPOSED BOUNDARY TREATMENTS
09/07/2025	P398_104	A	PROPOSED ELEVATIONS
17/02/2025	P398_103	-	PROPOSED FLOORPLANS
17/02/2025	P398_102	-	PROPOSED SITE PLAN
17/02/2025	P398_100	-	LOCATION PLAN

REASON(S) FOR THE GRANTING OF PLANNING PERMISSION

The decision to grant planning permission has also been taken having regard to the policies and proposals as set out below, and to all relevant material considerations including supplementary planning guidance: -

KNOWSLEY LOCAL PLAN: CORE STRATEGY

CS2 - Development Principles
CS3 - Housing Supply, Delivery and Distribution
CS7 - Transport Networks
CS8 - Green Infrastructure
CS17 - Housing Sizes and Design Standards
CS19 - Design Quality and Accessibility in New Development
CS21 - Greenspaces and Trees
CS22 - Sustainable and Low Carbon Development

**SAVED POLICIES - KNOWSLEY REPLACEMENT UNITARY DEVELOPMENT PLAN
(ADOPTED JUNE 2006)**

H5 - Development within Primarily Residential Areas
DQ4 - Trees and Development
ENV5 - Contaminated Land

This informative is only intended as a summary of the reason(s) for the granting of planning permission. Should you require any further details relating to the decision please contact the relevant case officer (Andrew Hunt on 0151 443 2204)

ARTICLE 35 STATEMENT

The Local Planning Authority has acted positively and proactively in determining this application by assessing the proposal against all material considerations, including planning policies and any representations that may have been received and subsequently determining to grant planning permission in accordance with the presumption in favour of sustainable development, as set out within the National Planning Policy Framework.

NOTE FOR APPLICANT:

**IMPORTANT - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY THE NOTES BELOW AS FAILURE TO COMPLY
COULD MAKE THE DEVELOPMENT HEREBY PERMITTED UNAUTHORISED**

- 1) This planning permission is granted in strict accordance with the approved plans. It should be noted however that:
 - a) Any variation from the approved plans following commencement of the development, irrespective of the degree of variation, will constitute unauthorised development and may be liable to enforcement action.
 - b) You or your agent or any other person responsible for implementing this permission should inform Planning Services immediately of any proposed variation from the approved plans and ask to be advised as to the best method to resolve the matter. Most proposals for variation to the approved plans will require the submission of a new planning application.
- 2) This permission is granted subject to conditions and it is the owner of the property and the person responsible for the implementation of the development who will be fully responsible for their compliance throughout the development and beyond.
- 3) If there is a condition that requires work to be carried out or details to be approved prior to the commencement of the development this is called a "condition precedent". The following should be noted with regards to conditions precedent.
 - a) If a condition precedent is not complied with prior to the start of development, the whole of the development will be unauthorised and you may be liable to enforcement action.
 - b) In addition, if the requirements of a condition precedent are subsequently not complied with, the development is unauthorised and the only way to rectify the development is the submission of a new application.

If any other type of condition is breached then you will be liable to a breach of condition notice.

- 2 To request a quote for a dropped crossing from our contractor Tarmac they can be contacted via 0800 023 2334 or knowsley.highways@tarmac.com. Tarmac will then instruct an Inspector to attend the location and scope out the works.
The applicant is reminded that it is an offence to carry out any works within the public highway without the permission of the Highway Authority.
- 3 Merseyside Fire Authority
- 4 See Letter
- 5 The effect of paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 is that planning permission granted for the development of land in England is deemed to have been granted subject to the condition "(the 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.

There are statutory exemptions and transitional arrangements which mean that the biodiversity gain condition does not always apply. These are listed in the appendix to this notice. Based on the information available, this permission is considered to be one which will require the approval of a biodiversity gain plan before development is begun because none of the statutory exemptions or transitional arrangements are considered to apply. The planning authority, for the purposes of determining whether to approve a Biodiversity Gain Plan would be Knowsley Council.



Executive Director - Regeneration and Economic Development

Date: 13 January 2026

IMPORTANT NOTES FOR YOUR ATTENTION:

- 1. This permission refers only to that required under the Town and Country Planning Acts and does not include any consent or approval under any other enactment, bylaw, order or regulation.**
- 2. This permission refers only to those plans submitted as part of the Planning Application a copy of which is retained by the Local Planning Authority. The Local Planning Authority should be contacted in writing if it is proposed to amend these plans in any way as a further permission, may be required.**
- 3. You should ensure that you understand the requirements of all planning conditions and that you fully comply with their requirements. If you are in any doubt about what a condition requires of you, please ask us for assistance. Planning conditions may require you to submit further information to us and await our approval before you can start your development. A failure to do so could result in your development being unlawful and necessitate the submission of a further planning application. A failure to comply with the conditions of the permission/consent may result in the taking of enforcement and potentially legal action, against you to remedy the breach of planning control.**
- 4. A fee is normally payable to discharge planning conditions in accordance with government regulations.**
- 5. This permission does not convey any rights or approval to build on, or develop, any land that is not fully owned or controlled by you, including on party boundaries. You should satisfy yourself that the agreement of any adjoining landowners has been given prior to commencing any building works.**
- 6. If a Building Regulations Consent is required for these works it is your responsibility to ensure that the plans submitted for both the Building Regulations Consent and Planning Permission are the same in all respects. Should the plans relating to one consent vary from the other, it will be necessary for you to submit amended plans to this Department and obtain the relevant approval(s) prior to commencing any works. Knowsley Council's Building Control team are contactable on (0151)-443 2342 and they would be pleased to assist you.**

Appeals to the Secretary of State

- If you are aggrieved by the decision of your local planning authority to refuse permission for the proposed development or to grant it subject to conditions, then you can appeal to the Secretary of State under section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- As this is a decision for a minor commercial application, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 12 weeks of the date of this notice.
- Appeals can be made online at: <https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate>.
If you are unable to access the online appeal form, please contact the Planning Inspectorate to obtain a paper copy of the appeal form on tel: 0303 444 5000.
- The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal but will not normally be prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.
- The Secretary of State need not consider an appeal if it seems to the Secretary of State that the local planning authority could not have granted planning permission for the proposed development or could not have granted it without the conditions they imposed, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of any development order and to any directions given under a development order.

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**Merseyside Fire & Rescue Authority
Community Fire Protection**

Fire Engineering Team
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Bootle
Merseyside
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Inspecting Officer: David Shawcroft
Email: fireengineeringteam@merseyfire.gov.uk
web Site: www.merseyfire.gov.uk

Your ref: 25/00103/FUL

Our ref:00505019/1339305/DS/LD

Date:25th July 2025

Dear Sir/Madam,

THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER REF: 25/00103/FUL

PROPOSAL: ERECTION OF 1NO. 4 BEDROOM DWELLING

ADDRESS: Land To The Rear Of Lynton Field Lane Field Lane Estate

The Fire Authority requests that any decision notice includes the following information.

The plans relating to the above application have been examined and below are the Fire Authority's observations:

Access for Fire Fighting

- Access for fire appliances should comply with the requirements of Section B5, Schedule 1 of the Building Regulations. Provisions for access will depend on the size and use of the building. The design of the access route, for example minimum road widths and maximum reversing distances, should also be considered (Appendix A, attached).
- In accordance with Section 55 of the County of Merseyside Act 1980, the position of the premises should not compromise or impede existing means of fire service access to a neighbouring building.

Water Provision

- Water supplies for firefighting purposes should be risk assessed in accordance with the undermentioned guidance in liaison with the water undertakers (United Utilities - 0161 907 7351) with suitable and sufficient fire hydrants supplied.
- Consideration should be given to the recommendations within the 'National guidance document on the provision of water for firefighting', produced by the Local Government Association and Water UK, available for free download via: <https://www.water.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/national-guidance-document-on-water-for-ffg-final.pdf>

Further information regarding access requirements can be found in the current version of Approved Document B, which is available for free download via:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/fire-safety-approved-document-b>

Should you require any further information in respect of this correspondence please contact the Officer named above.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Shawcroft', with a stylized flourish at the end.

David Shawcroft

Authorised Fire Safety Inspecting Officer
And on behalf of Merseyside Fire and Rescue Authority

Appendix A - Access and Facilities for the Fire Service as given in Section B5 of Approved Document B

Domestic Dwellings

For dwelling houses, access for a pumping appliance should be provided to within 45m of all points inside the dwelling house.

For flats, either: access for a pumping appliance should be provided to within 45m of all points inside each flat of a block, measured along the route of the hose; or fire mains should be provided.

Commercial Buildings

Small buildings (up to 2000m², with a top occupied storey a maximum of 11m above ground level), require access for a pump appliance to 15% of the perimeter, or within 45m of every point of the footprint of the building, whichever is the less onerous.

Larger buildings will require access to a percentage of the perimeter that increases incrementally with size of the total floor area and height of building – please see details in Approved Document B Volume 2 Section 15.

Elevations to which vehicle access is provided will require a door, to give access into the building. The maximum distance between doors, or between a door and the end of the elevation, is 60m (i.e. a 150m elevation would need a minimum of two doors).

All Buildings

Access routes and hardstanding should comply with Table 13.1 ADB Volume 1 / Table 15.2 ADB Volume 2. Please note: MFRS appliances are 17 tonnes (pump) and 26 tonnes (high reach).

Dead-end access routes longer than 20m require turning facilities (e.g. a turning circle or hammer head, or other turning point).

Where fire mains are fitted, access should be provided for a pumping appliance to within 18m of each fire main inlet connection point. Inlets should be on the face of the building and visible from the parking position of the appliance. The run of horizontal internal connecting pipe should be a maximum of 18m in length.

Buildings with a storey more than 18m above the fire service vehicle access level, or a basement more than 10m below, should have one or more firefighting shafts containing fire-fighting lifts and fire mains (a minimum of two fire-fighting shafts will be required for buildings with a floor area of 900 m² or more).

Buildings in the 'shop and commercial', 'assembly and recreation' or 'industrial' purpose groups (Groups 4, 5, or 6), with a storey area of 900m² or more and a storey height of 7.5m or more above fire service vehicle access level will require at least two firefighting shafts (firefighting lifts may not be needed).

Entry to a firefighting shaft at fire service access level should be available either directly from the open air or by way of a protected corridor not exceeding 18m in length. The corridor is deemed to be part of the firefighting shaft, and any access to it from the accommodation should be by way of protected lobbies.

Hydrants

Where a building has a compartment with an area of more than 280m² and is being erected more than 100m from an existing fire hydrant, additional hydrants are required as follows:

Buildings with fire main – hydrant within 90m of dry fire main inlet;

Buildings without fire main – hydrant within 90m of an entrance to the building; and a maximum of 90m apart.

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Please find below relevant information for the applicant.

United Utilities has no further comment on this application.

United Utilities' Property, Assets and Infrastructure

It is the applicant's responsibility to investigate the existence of any pipelines that might cross or impact their proposed site and also to demonstrate the exact relationship between United Utilities' assets and the proposed development.

We recommend the applicant visits our website for further information on how to investigate the existence of water and wastewater pipelines and what to do next if a pipeline crosses or is close to their red line boundary: [Working near our pipes - United Utilities](#)

United Utilities will not allow building over or in close proximity to a water main.

United Utilities will not allow a new building to be erected over or in close proximity to a

public sewer or any other wastewater pipeline. Nb. Proposals to extend domestic properties either above, or in close proximity to a public sewer will be reviewed on a case by case basis by either by a building control professional or following a direct application to United Utilities.

Any construction activities in the vicinity of United Utilities' pipelines, including pipelines that may be outside the applicant's red line boundary, must comply with national building and construction standards and where applicable, our 'Standard Conditions for Works Adjacent to Pipelines' which can also be found on our website: [standard-conditions-for-works-adjacent-to-pipelines-issued-july-2015.pdf \(unitedutilities.com\)](#)

The level of cover to United Utilities pipelines and apparatus must not be compromised either during or after construction and there should be no additional load bearing capacity on pipelines without prior agreement from United Utilities. The applicant should not rely solely on the detail contained within asset maps when considering a proposed layout. Unless there is specific provision within the title of the property or an associated easement, any necessary disconnection or diversion of assets to accommodate development, will be at the applicant/developer's expense.

Where United Utilities' assets exist, it is essential that the applicant, or any subsequent developer, contacts our Developer Services team prior to commencing any works on site, including trial holes, groundworks or demolition.

DRAINAGE

We strongly encourage all developments to include sustainable drainage systems to help manage surface water and to offer new opportunities for wildlife to flourish. We request that Local Planning Authorities and applicants do all they can to avoid surface water entering the public sewer. The flows that come from this surface water are very large when compared with the foul water that comes from toilets, showers, baths, washing machines, etc. It is the surface water that uses up a lot of capacity in our sewers and results in the unnecessary pumping and treatment of surface water at our pumping stations and treatment works. If new developments can manage flows through sustainable drainage systems that discharge to an alternative to the public sewer, it will help to minimise the likelihood of sewers spilling into watercourses and the flooding of homes and businesses.

National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and the National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) advise that surface water from new developments should be investigated and delivered in the following order of priority:

1. into the ground (infiltration);
2. to a surface water body;
3. to a surface water sewer, highway drain, or another drainage system;
4. to a combined sewer.

The applicant should consider their drainage plans in accordance with the drainage hierarchy outlined above.

In the event that the applicant, or any subsequent developer, approaches United Utilities regarding a connection for surface water to the public sewer, it is likely that we will request evidence that the drainage hierarchy has been fully investigated and why more sustainable options are not achievable. This will be managed through either our 'S106 Sewer Connections' or 'S104 Adoptions' processes.

WATER EFFICIENCY IN NEW DEVELOPMENT

Local planning authorities have the option to set additional technical requirements in respect of water use for the construction of new build dwellings, exceeding the minimum standards required by Building Regulations. All new homes are required to meet the mandatory national standard of 125 litres of water used per person per day as set out in Building Regulations Approved Document G. Where there is a clear local need, a local planning authority's development plan policies can require new-build dwellings to meet the tighter Building Regulations optional requirement of 110 litres of water used per person per day. If your adopted development plan includes a policy that implements the tighter water efficiency standard for new-build dwellings in Part 3 of Building Regulations, you should ensure that this is a condition of any planning permission you may grant. You should also consider whether there is any adopted development plan policy relating to a water efficiency in the construction of non-residential development. As this is a matter for the local planning authority / building control body, United Utilities would not be involved in the discharge of conditions relating to water efficiency.

CONTACT DETAILS FOR ANY QUERIES WHICH MAY RESULT FROM THIS EMAIL:

For applicants / developers:

Drainage / wastewater infrastructure: SewerAdoptions@uuplc.co.uk

Water supply / water infrastructure: DeveloperServicesWater@uuplc.co.uk

Local planning authorities / Planning Officers: Planning.Liaison@uuplc.co.uk

To enable us to answer enquiries as quickly as possible, we request enquiries are not sent to multiple mailboxes – this will delay our response.



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