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Application to determine if prior approval is required for a proposed: Change of Use from Shops (Use Class A1), Financial and Professional Services (Use Class A2), Betting Offices or Pay Day Loan Shops (Sui Generis Uses) to Assembly and Leisure (Use Class D2)

The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as it stood at the end of July 2021) - Schedule 2, Part 3, Class J

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.

Site Location

Disclaimer: We can only make recommendations based on the answers given in the questions.

If you cannot provide a postcode, the description of site location must be completed. Please provide the most accurate site description you can, to help locate the site - for example "field to the North of the Post Office".

Number

Suffix

Property Name

Newspaper House, S2

Address Line 1

Brook Street

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

Staffordshire

Town/city

Leek

Postcode

ST13 5JE

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

Easting (x)

Northing (y)

398450

356347

Description

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

Law Rooms Music Centre

First name

David

Surname

Scragg

Company Name

Law Rooms Music Centre

Address

Address line 1

Newspaper House, S2 Brook Street

Address line 2

Address line 3

Staffordshire

Town/City

Leek

Country

Postcode

ST13 5JE

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

◯ Yes
⊘ No

Contact Details

Primary number

***** REDACTED ******

Secondary number

***** REDACTED ******

Fax number

Email address

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Eligibility

This permitted development right was replaced and made redundant on 1 August 2021.

If your proposed change of use is now wholly within Use Class E (e.g. from shops; or financial/professional services to indoor sport, recreation, or fitness) then:

- You should not continue with this application as it will be refused by the Local Authority and you may not be eligible for a refund.
- In many cases, an application for prior approval or planning permission will not be required. Please note that any work associated with the change of use may require permission. View further details on Use Classes and changes of use.

If your proposed change of use is from a Sui Generis use (e.g. a betting office; or pay day loan shop) then:

- You should not continue with this application as it will be refused by the Local Authority and you may not be eligible for a refund.
- There are now specific permitted development rights to cover changes of use to Use Class E (e.g. indoor sport, recreation, or fitness) that do not require a prior approval application.

If your proposed change of use is to a Sui Generis use previously classified as 'assembly and leisure' (e.g. cinemas; concert halls; bingo halls; or dance halls) then this is no longer considered to be permitted development. However, until the end of July 2022, it is considered to be 'protected development' and this type of application is still valid for eligible proposals.

Due to the outdated nature of this application type, the questions below may refer to Use Classes that are no longer current.

Permitted development rights are subject to conditions set by legislation to ensure that only appropriate proposals are eligible. The need to apply to the Local Planning Authority to see if prior approval is required is one such condition.

The questions below will help determine if the proposals are eligible for this permitted development right.

Was the use of the building on 5 December 2013 (or the last use before that date) one of the following:
• Class A1 (Shops) or Class A2 (Financial and Professional services);
• a betting office or pay day loan shop.

- [x] Yes
- [ ] No

Will the total combined floor space in the building (previously and in this proposal) changed to Use Class D2 (Assembly and Leisure) exceed 200 square metres?

- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

Is any part of the land, site or building:
• in a conservation area;
• in an area of outstanding natural beauty;
• in an area specified by the Secretary of State for the purposes of enhancement and protection of the natural beauty and amenity of the countryside;
• in the Broads;
• in a National Park;
• in a World Heritage Site;
• in a site of special scientific interest;
• in a safety hazard area;
• in a military explosives storage area;
• a scheduled monument (or the site contains one);
• a listed building (or within the curtilage of a listed building)

◯ Yes
⊘ No

Description of Proposed Works, Impacts and Risks

Please describe the proposed development:

There is no change to the layout of the rooms

Please provide details of any noise impacts and how these will be mitigated:

none

Please provide details of any transport and highways impacts and how these will be mitigated:

none

Please provide details of the impact on the adequate provision of services based on the loss of the building's current use. For example:
• Would there be a reasonable prospect of the building being used under it's current use class going forward?
• Would a unique shop, professional or financial service be lost from the area if the use is changed?

none

Where the building is located in a key shopping area, please provide details of any undesirable impact on the sustainability of that shopping area:

none

Please either state the proposed opening hours; or tick the box below to confirm they are unknown at this time

Unknown
☑ Unknown

Please provide details of any impacts based on the hours of opening and how these will be mitigated:

none

Declaration

I / We hereby apply for Prior Approval: Change of use - retail/service/etc to assembly/leisure as described in this form and 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 options of the persons giving them. I / We also accept that: Once submitted, this information will be transmitted to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be made available as part of a public register and on the authority's website; our system will automatically generate and send you emails in regard to the submission of this application.

☑ I / We agree to the outlined declaration

Signed

David Scragg

Date

10/03/2022