

**NOTIFICATION OF DECISION OF
THE LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY**

Date of Decision: 8 January 2026



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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

Application Number: 25/2111/FH

Proposal: Erection of a rear roof dormer.

**Site Location: 5 PARK CLOSE, HAWKINGE, FOLKESTONE, CT18
7QD**

DECISION: REFUSED in accordance with the planning application and plans.

REFUSAL REASONS

- 1 The proposed rear-facing flat-roofed dormer, by virtue of its design and prominent position, would create an incongruous, obtrusive, and top-heavy addition, harming the character of the dwelling, the streetscene, and the scenic beauty of the Kent Downs National Landscape. The development is contrary to Policies HB1, HB8, and NE3 of the Places and Policies Local Plan and the National Planning Policy Framework.

Informatives and notes

- 1 This decision has been made based on the following plans and particulars:
 - 23014_003/P1 Proposed Site Plan – Received 18.11.2025
 - 23014_004/P1 Proposed Plans – Received 18.11.2025
 - 23014_005/P1 Proposed Elevations – Received 18.11.2025
 - Planning Statement – Received 18.11.2025
 - 23014_001/P1 Site Location Plan & Existing Site Plan – Received 18.11.2025

In determining this planning application, the Council has had due regard for all relevant matters and particularly the National Planning Policy Framework. This includes the duty to work positively with the applicant to resolve potential issues and seek acceptable solutions.

This decision relates ONLY to the requirements of Town and Country Planning Act 1990. Separate determinations are required for other aspects of the planning regime, building regulations and environmental legislation. Any other permissions must be obtained separately from the relevant body.

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Issued by the Chief Planning Officer

This decision notice consists of 3 pages

NOTIFICATION TO APPLICANT

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 the grant of 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 to refuse planning permission for a householder application, if you want to appeal, then you must do so within 12 weeks of the date of the notice. Appeals must be made using a form which you can get from the Secretary of State at Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN or online at www.gov.uk/government/organisations/planning-inspectorate. The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal, but he 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 him that the Local Planning Authority could not have granted planning permission for the proposed development or could not have granted it without the conditions it imposed, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provision of a development order and to any directions given under the order. In practice, the Secretary of State does not refuse to consider appeals solely because the Local Planning Authority based its decision on a direction given by him.

PURCHASE NOTICES

If either the Local Planning Authority or the Secretary of State refuses permission to develop land or grants it subject to conditions, the owner may claim that he can neither put the land to a reasonably beneficial use in its existing state nor can he render the land capable of a reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which had been or would be permitted. In these circumstances, the owner may serve a purchase notice on the District Council in whose area the land is situated. This notice will require the Council to purchase his interests in the land in accordance with the provisions of Chapter I of Part 6 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.