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Dear Applicant,

As your application has been refused, this letter is to inform you of the process in which you can appeal against the decision made by the Local Planning Authority.

Appealing Against the Decision

If you are aggrieved by the decision to refuse your application as detailed on your decision notice, you can appeal against this decision to the Secretary of State. All appeal decisions are considered by the Planning Inspectorate – a government department aimed at providing an unbiased judgement on a planning application. From the date of the refused decision notice attached you must lodge an appeal within the following time periods:

- Householder Application - 12 weeks
- Planning Application – 6 months
- Listed Building Consent – 6 months
- Advertisement Consent - 8 weeks
- Minor Commercial Application - 12 weeks
- Lawful Development Certificate – None (unless for LBC – 6 months)
- Other Types - 6 months

Note that these periods can change so you should check with the Planning Inspectorate for the most up to date list. You can obtain the appeal forms by calling 0303 444 5000 or submit an appeal through the Planning Portal <https://www.gov.uk/appeal-planning-inspectorate>

You can apply to the Secretary of State to extend this period, although this will only be allowed in exceptional circumstances.

Purchase Notices

Planning control is intended to regulate the development of land in the public interest. For this reason, planning decisions may conflict with the private interests of land owners. There is no entitlement to compensation for adverse planning decisions (except in limited circumstances). This is because owners usually have some continuing benefit from current uses. However, occasionally there may be no reasonably beneficial use for the land. In order to remedy this situation; an owner has the right, in certain circumstances, to serve a "purchase notice" requiring a local authority to purchase their interest in the land. Purchase notices will be considered by the Planning Inspectorate, although you are advised to contact the Planning Department if you wish to consider this option.

Listed Buildings

Please note that any unauthorised works to a listed building are considered to be a criminal offence. If you need further clarification of what type of works may require consent, please contact the department.

Re-submissions for Planning Permission

Under planning regulations, you are allowed to re-submit your application after a refusal without a fee, provided certain criteria are met. The re-submission must be within 12 months of the date of the original decision, the proposal must be on the same site and be similar to the previous application. Similarly, the application must be made by the same applicant. If you consider resubmitting your application, contact the Planning Department so we can explain where your application can be improved to be in accordance with local planning policy. In order for the Council reach a different decision, however you will need to address all of the previous reasons for refusal.

Should you require any further advice regarding any part of your application, please contact the Planning Department and we will be happy to help you.