



# Northamptonshire County Council

## Town and Country Planning Act 1990

### PLANNING PERMISSION

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### Part I - Particulars of application

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#### Date of Application

22<sup>nd</sup> August 2007

#### Application No.

**NCC/ 07/00046/CCD**  
**WP/2007/00566/CCD**

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### Particulars and location of development

Construction of a pedestrian footbridge across the Grendon Brook, Summer Leys Nature Reserve, near Ryeholmes Bridge, Hardwater Road, near Grendon

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### Part II - Particulars of decision:

#### The Northamptonshire County Council

Hereby give notice in pursuance of the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 that **permission has been granted** for the carrying out of the development referred to in Part I hereof in accordance with the application and plans submitted subject to the following conditions:-

1. The development hereby permitted shall be begun not later than the expiration of THREE YEARS from the date of this permission.

**Note:** This permission only relates to planning permission and does not include consent under the Building Regulations for which separate permission may be required. The requirements of the Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act 1970, the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 and the Special Education Needs and Disability Act 2001 should also be adhered to wherever appropriate.

2. The development hereby permitted shall not be carried out other than wholly in accordance with the submitted planning application i.e. Application Forms, Certificates, Location Map, Plan showing location of proposed footbridge and Drawing No.L24.27/1 (Structural Details of Footbridge)
3. Prior to the commencement of the development hereby permitted a Method Statement shall be submitted to the County Planning Authority for approval and shall set out appropriate measures to ensure the adequate protection of the Upper Nene Valley Gravel Pits pSPA and SSSI during the development and associated activities and shall also include an ecological survey covering both fauna and flora for a distance of 50 metres either side of the proposed location of the footbridge and 2 copies of the results of the survey shall be sent to the County Planning Authority. Construction shall only take place in accordance with the approved scheme.
4. Within 3 months of the completion of construction works all areas of land that have been affected by the construction/installation of the development, including the bankside areas of the Grendon Brook, shall be sympathetically reinstated following consultation with the Wildlife Trust.
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#### Reasons for conditions and relevant Development Plan Policies

1. Required to be imposed pursuant to Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended by the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004
2. To define the scope of the permission and in the interest of clarity.
3. In order to protect the integrity of the Upper Nene Valley Gravel Pits pSPA and SSSI and to establish the extent of ecological interest within the immediate vicinity of the proposed development.
4. In order to ensure that there is no long-term damage to the ecological value of the immediate surroundings of the development.

#### REASONS FOR APPROVAL

The justification for the proposed new bridge would appear to be sound and no objections have been raised during the consultation process and the proposal would not be in conflict with the Development Plan, in particular Policy 28 of the Regional Spatial Strategy for the East Midlands (March 2005) and therefore, subject to the planning conditions as set out above to protect the existing ecological value and interest of the site, it is considered that the proposal is acceptable.

Date 24<sup>th</sup> October 2007

Signed G.P. Watson

On behalf of the  
County Planning Officer

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