



IMPORTANT – THIS COMMUNICATION AFFECTS YOUR PROPERTY

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

(As amended by the Planning and Compensation Act 1991 and the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004)

TEMPORARY STOP NOTICE

SERVED BY: Broxbourne Borough Council herein after referred to as “the Council”.

To: Mr John William Croke of 95 Shearwater Close, Stevenage, Hertfordshire, SG2 9RX

1. On 16th December 2025 the Council has issued this temporary stop notice alleging that there is a breach of planning control on the land described in paragraph 5 below.

2. This temporary stop notice is issued by the Council, in exercise of their power in section 171E of the 1990 Act, because they think that it is expedient that the activity specified in this notice should cease on the land described in paragraph 5 below. The Council now prohibits the carrying out of the activity specified in this notice. Important additional information is given in the Annex to this notice.

3. THE REASONS FOR ISSUING THIS NOTICE

The site is a former gravel pit which sits within the Green Belt on the corner of Church Lane and Spring Walk. It is adjacent to the Wormleybury Historic Park and Garden.

The site is in close proximity to a number of residential dwellings which are impacted by disturbance arising from the unauthorised activity.

In addition, the highway network is adversely affected due to the number of HGV movements and complaints of mud on the highway.

It is, therefore, inappropriate development at this location by virtue of its impact on the Green Belt, local residents, and the highway network.

4. THE LAND TO WHICH THIS NOTICE RELATES

Land at Darcy's Place aka Little Broomfield aka Former Gravel Pit, Church Lane, Wormley, Hertfordshire as shown edged red on the attached plan.

5. THE ACTIVITY TO WHICH THIS NOTICE RELATES

The importation and deposit of soils and inert waste, the separation/processing of that waste and the change in ground levels through the movement of that soil and inert waste material

6. WHAT YOU ARE REQUIRED TO DO

Cease all the activity specified in paragraph 5 of this notice.

7. WHEN THIS NOTICE TAKES EFFECT

This notice takes effect on 16th December 2025 when all the activity specified in this notice shall cease.

This notice will cease to have effect on 10th February 2026.

Dated:16th December 2025

Matthew Gallagher

Planning Manager (Development Management)

On behalf of: Borough of Broxbourne Bishops College Churchgate Cheshunt
Hertfordshire EN8 9XB

WHO THIS NOTICE IS SERVED ON:

1. Mr John William Croke of 95 Shearwater Close, Stevenage, Hertfordshire, SG2 9RX
2. Mr Ryann John Croke of 55 Highmill, Ware, Hertfordshire, SG12 0RY
3. The Operator at Darcy's Place aka Little Broomfield aka Former Gravel Pit, Church Lane, Wormley, Hertfordshire

And a copy of this Notice has been placed on site.



Temporary Stop Notice ENF/25/0057
 Little Broomfield (Darcy's Place), Church Lane, Wormley EN10 7QF

SB / L.White Scale: 1: 2,000 Date: 11 December 2025

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WARNING

THIS NOTICE TAKES EFFECT ON THE DATE SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH 7.

THERE IS NO RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE FIRST SECRETARY OF STATE AGAINST THIS NOTICE.

It is an offence to contravene a temporary stop notice after a site notice has been displayed, or the temporary stop notice has been served on you. (Section 171G of the 1990 Act). If you then fail to comply with the temporary stop notice you will be at risk of immediate prosecution in the Magistrates' Court, for which the maximum penalty is £20,000 on summary conviction for a first offence and for any subsequent offence. The fine on conviction on indictment is unlimited. If you are in any doubt about what this notice requires you to do, you should get in touch immediately with the Planning Enforcement Team via planning.enforcement@broxbourne.gov.uk

If you need independent advice about this notice, you are advised to contact urgently a lawyer, planning consultant or other professional adviser specialising in planning matters. If you wish to contest the validity of the notice, you may only do so by an application to the High Court for judicial review.