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APPLICATION NO. WB/09/0774/CLP

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED BY THE PLANNING AND COMPENSATION ACT 1991)

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PROPOSAL: Application for Lawful Development Certificate for proposed use of former church building as a health centre (Class D1).

LOCATION: United Reformed Church Shelley Road Worthing

DATE REGISTERED: 9th September 2009

APPLICANT: Mr Sal Rassam

The Worthing Borough Council hereby certify that the Local Planning Authority's decision on the above application is:-

TO ISSUE A CERTIFICATE

1. The building and other land is shown on the site location plan received 9th November 2009 and edged in red and excludes the building and land hatched in blue on that plan.

2. The proposed use as a health centre within Class D1 comprising medical consulting rooms (including dentistry, podiatry, alternative therapies), operating theatre(s), x-ray, ultrasound, physiotherapy facilities with ancillary optician, ancillary pharmacy, ancillary office space, ancillary laboratory, ancillary reception and waiting areas, ancillary storage space and ancillary car park, does not constitute development under Section 55(2)(f) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

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Dated: 9th November 2009

Executive Head of Planning,
Regeneration and Wellbeing

This certificate is issued solely for the purpose of Section 192 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended by the Planning and Compensation Act 1991).

Note: Your attention is drawn to the notes and information overleaf.
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3. This decision relates to the existing ground floor plan 477/01; existing first floor plan 477/04; indicative ground floor plan 477/03; indicative first floor plan 477/04/10.

INFORMATIVE

A Certificate of Lawfulness under S.192 of the Town & Country Planning Act for the proposed use of the former church building* as a health centre (Class D1) has been issued. For the sake of clarity and to avoid any ambiguity the applicant agreed to amend the initially proposed term 'polyclinic' to 'health centre'. The Council is satisfied that the proposed use as a health centre comprising medical consulting rooms (including dentistry, podiatry, alternative therapies), operating theatre(s), x-ray, ultrasound, physiotherapy facilities with ancillary optician, ancillary pharmacy, ancillary office space, ancillary laboratory, ancillary reception and waiting areas, ancillary storage space and ancillary car park, is lawful in planning terms. This decision has been arrived at on the basis that no external alterations to the building are proposed and that the proposed health centre use falls within the same use class (Class D1) of the town and Country Planning Use Classes Order 1987 (as amended) as former use of the building as a Montessori Pre-school and as a church.

Floor plans showing the internal layout of the proposed accommodation are indicative only. However, for the sake of clarity and to avoid pre-determining any forthcoming planning application, the submitted floor plans have been amended to remove those elements which it was considered could not be practically implemented without necessitating external alteration to the building.

* For information, the Certificate specifically excludes the existing sectional building at the rear (south) of the church building, and the land on which it sits.