



Planning Potential has successfully secured a Prior Approval consent for the delivery of solar canopies in the car park serving the Voco Hotel, at the Madejski stadium, Reading FC. This was secured under the recently introduced Permitted Development Right, Class OA.

Class OA allows for the installation, alteration, or replacement solar panel canopy above off-street parking within a commercial property and was introduced in December 2023. The new Permitted Development Right is a welcome move towards encouraging sustainable development and in this case will help create renewable energy to be stored and used in conjunction with the hotel.

By working proactively with Reading Council and the architect, The Design & Surveying Consultancy, Planning Potential were able to navigate and secure the proposals under the new Permitted Development rules and successfully addressed all consultee comments quickly and efficiently. We were able to secure a Prior Approval within 8 weeks with no planning conditions requiring discharge.

Planning Potential continue to showcase our expertise in this sector and demonstrate our success in delivering renewable energy proposals quickly and efficiently. .

Summary of achievements

- Advised on the new Class OA
- Prepared the application submission
- Secured consent under delegated powers in 8 weeks

Planning Potential Ltd
London
Magdalen House
148 Tooley Street
London SE1 2TU
T: 020 7397 5212