

We currently have an existing structure in our garden which was built in 2020 under permitted development. This was built for leisure use as

a summer house and garden shed. The overall size of this structure covers 12 sq/meters and it is split into two sections by an internal wall; one section is used as a garden shed and the other section as a summer house. This section of the existing structure measures 4.5 sq/meters.

I wish to apply for change of use in relation to the summer house section of the existing structure so that I can use it as a small scale, one to one dog grooming salon.

The existing structure is in a fully enclosed private garden and requires no further exterior changes or extensions to be made.

I confirm that the land is not protected or listed.

The existing structure is already fully insulated and has double glazed windows and doors (which will assist to minimise noise). All electrics and plumbing have been installed and approved to registered standards and I will be putting all the relevant insurances in place.

I wish to operate the business initially 3 days a week (possibly increasing to 5 days a week if demand allows), between the hours of 8.30am and 5.30pm. As I will be a one to one dog groomer there will only ever be myself (no employees) and one dog in the salon at any one time. I intend to groom between 1 and 3 dogs per day and each dog will be collected by its owner before the next one arrives - I will not be holding dogs in crates whilst grooming others and any dog under my care will be kept under control at all times. Customers and their dogs will be able to access the salon via existing side access to our garden (which is gated so there is no risk of dogs escaping).

We have a large driveway which has space for 4 cars and during my proposed opening times there will be 2 spaces available for use by customers dropping off and collecting their dogs. As I will only be grooming a small number of dogs each day, one at a time, there will only ever be one additional car at a time parking on our driveway for between 10 and 15 minutes while customers drop off and collect their dogs. I confirm there are no additional parking needs. I will be offering a collect and drop off service and many local customers will likely walk their dogs to the salon thereby minimising any potential increase in traffic.

Any waste produced as a result of the business will be removed by me rather than included within household waste.

I confirm that there will be no external advertising.

I am currently training to become a dog groomer and will complete my training in March 2026. Whilst training I have installed a bath and table in the summer house section of

the existing structure for personal use to enable me to groom my own dog at home. However, I am not using the space for commercial use - hence my application for change of use.