



What is a Certificates of Lawfulness for a Proposed Use or Development?

This is a formal request to the local planning authority to establish whether planning permission is needed for the works proposed or not.

Comments are not invited in connection with this submission as it seeks only to establish a point of Law, however you are welcome to look at the documents for this record.

The outcome will be published once this has been established, and will appear as 'Decision Notice'.

If the decision is that planning permission is required to carry out the works, a further planning application will need to be submitted and decided beforehand prior to works commencing. You will have the opportunity to make any comments on the merits of the case at that time, should you wish to do so.

If the decision is that planning permission is not required, the work can be Lawfully carried out in its current form without the requirement to submit a planning application beforehand.

There is a facility via our website, whereby members of the public can arrange to receive email alerts when applications are submitted for a particular area, please see below;

- Log onto your account and access the planning on-line register (<http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/environment-and-planning/planning/online-planning-register/#online>)
- Make a search for your required area – be that along your road or for the entire parish (advanced search options) please note that if your post code is for example TR1 1CC and you enter this as a search it will only show the properties with this post code however if you leave off the last letter it will cover a much broader area.
- Once you have made your search you will be given an option to save your search and to receive updates – if you check this box you should receive notifications when new applications are made within your search criteria.