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Application for Planning Permission, and for relevant demolition of an unlisted building in a  
 conservation area

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

**Publication of applications on planning authority websites**

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

**Site Location**

**Disclaimer:** We can only make recommendations based on the answers given in the questions.

If you cannot provide a postcode, the description of site location must be completed. Please provide the most accurate site description you can, to help locate the site - for example "field to the North of the Post Office".

Number

Suffix

Property Name

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

Town/city

Postcode

Description of site location must be completed if postcode is not known:

Easting (x)  Northing (y)

Description

## Applicant Details

### Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

Gregory

Surname

Walsh

Company Name

### Address

Address line 1

Flat 1

Address line 2

7 Guildford Road

Address line 3

Town/City

Royal Tunbridge Wells

County

Kent

Country

UK

Postcode

TN1 1SW

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

Yes

No

### Contact Details

Primary number

\*\*\*\*\* REDACTED \*\*\*\*\*

Secondary number

\*\*\*\*\* REDACTED \*\*\*\*\*

Fax number

Email address

\*\*\*\*\* REDACTED \*\*\*\*\*

## Site Area

What is the measurement of the site area? (numeric characters only).

172.90

Unit

Sq. metres

## Description of the Proposal

Please note in regard to:

- **Fire Statements** - From 1 August 2021, planning applications for buildings of over 18 metres (or 7 stories) tall containing more than one dwelling will require a 'Fire Statement' for the application to be considered valid. There are some exemptions. [View government planning guidance on fire statements](#) or [access the fire statement template and guidance](#).
- **Permission In Principle** - If you are applying for Technical Details Consent on a site that has been granted Permission In Principle, please include the relevant details in the description below.
- **Public Service Infrastructure** - From 1 August 2021, applications for certain public service infrastructure developments will be eligible for faster determination timeframes. See help for further details or [view government planning guidance on determination periods](#).

### Description

Please describe details of the proposed development or works including any change of use

The site is located at the rear of a maisonette flat spanning the ground and basement floors of a converted Victorian mid-terrace house. The following changes are proposed:

- Removal of a non-original small single story structure to form an opening for new French doors at rear
- Removal of non-original windows, alterations and repositioning of respective openings to accommodate a new interior plan, and replacement with sash windows in the style of the building's original fenestration at rear

Has the work or change of use already started?

Yes

No

## Explanation for Proposed Demolition Work

Why is it necessary to demolish all or part of the building(s) and/or structure(s)?

To make way for the opening required for the French doors at the rear of the property

## Existing Use

Please describe the current use of the site

Domestic maisonette flat spanning ground floor and basement floor

Is the site currently vacant?

- Yes  
 No

**Does the proposal involve any of the following? If Yes, you will need to submit an appropriate contamination assessment with your application.**

Land which is known to be contaminated

- Yes  
 No

Land where contamination is suspected for all or part of the site

- Yes  
 No

A proposed use that would be particularly vulnerable to the presence of contamination

- Yes  
 No

## Materials

Does the proposed development require any materials to be used externally?

- Yes  
 No

Please provide a description of existing and proposed materials and finishes to be used externally (including type, colour and name for each material)

**Type:**

Walls

**Existing materials and finishes:**

Ground floor: Brick and lime mortar. Basement floor: Unpainted patchwork of lime render, cementitious render, and brick and lime mortar.

**Proposed materials and finishes:**

Ground floor: Brick and lime mortar to match existing. Basement floor: Lime render, painted white matt

**Type:**

Windows

**Existing materials and finishes:**

Ground floor: casement, timber, single glazed and double glazed, painted white / white plastic. Basement floor: casement, uPVC, double glazed, white plastic.

**Proposed materials and finishes:**

Ground floor: timber, traditional mouldings, low-e slimline double glazing, painted white. Basement floor: timber-style construction uPVC (to cope with excess humidity), sash, low-e slimline double glazing, painted white (in the style of but not necessarily limited to the following: <https://www.masterframe.co.uk/bygone-sash-windows-collection/symphony-windows/> or <https://www.sashwindowsuk.com/sash-windows/ultimate-rose>).

**Type:**

Doors

**Existing materials and finishes:**

Standard timber door, single glazing, painted white

**Proposed materials and finishes:**

Timber French door, traditional mouldings, low-e slimline double glazing, painted white

Are you supplying additional information on submitted plans, drawings or a design and access statement?

Yes

No

If Yes, please state references for the plans, drawings and/or design and access statement

Elevations - A3, Existing Site Plan - A3, Proposed Site Plan - A3, Design and Access Statement, various photographs

## Pedestrian and Vehicle Access, Roads and Rights of Way

Is a new or altered vehicular access proposed to or from the public highway?

Yes

No

Is a new or altered pedestrian access proposed to or from the public highway?

Yes

No

Are there any new public roads to be provided within the site?

Yes

No

Are there any new public rights of way to be provided within or adjacent to the site?

- Yes  
 No

Do the proposals require any diversions/extinguishments and/or creation of rights of way?

- Yes  
 No

## Vehicle Parking

Does the site have any existing vehicle/cycle parking spaces or will the proposed development add/remove any parking spaces?

- Yes  
 No

## Trees and Hedges

Are there trees or hedges on the proposed development site?

- Yes  
 No

And/or: Are there trees or hedges on land adjacent to the proposed development site that could influence the development or might be important as part of the local landscape character?

- Yes  
 No

**If Yes to either or both of the above, you may need to provide a full tree survey, at the discretion of the local planning authority. If a tree survey is required, this and the accompanying plan should be submitted alongside the application. The local planning authority should make clear on its website what the survey should contain, in accordance with the current 'BS5837: Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations'.**

## Assessment of Flood Risk

Is the site within an area at risk of flooding? (Check the location on the Government's [Flood map for planning](#). You should also refer to national [standing advice](#) and your local planning authority requirements for information as necessary.)

- Yes  
 No

Is your proposal within 20 metres of a watercourse (e.g. river, stream or beck)?

- Yes  
 No

Will the proposal increase the flood risk elsewhere?

- Yes  
 No

How will surface water be disposed of?

- Sustainable drainage system  
 Existing water course  
 Soakaway  
 Main sewer  
 Pond/lake

## Biodiversity and Geological Conservation

Is there a reasonable likelihood of the following being affected adversely or conserved and enhanced within the application site, or on land adjacent to or near the application site?

To assist in answering this question correctly, please refer to the help text which provides guidance on determining if any important biodiversity or geological conservation features may be present or nearby; and whether they are likely to be affected by the proposals.

a) Protected and priority species

- Yes, on the development site  
 Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development  
 No

b) Designated sites, important habitats or other biodiversity features

- Yes, on the development site  
 Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development  
 No

c) Features of geological conservation importance

- Yes, on the development site  
 Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development  
 No

### Supporting information requirements

Where a development proposal is likely to affect features of biodiversity or geological conservation interest, you will need to submit, with the application, sufficient information and assessments to allow the local planning authority to determine the proposal.

Failure to submit all information required will result in your application being deemed invalid. It will not be considered valid until all information required by the local planning authority has been submitted.

Your local planning authority will be able to advise on the content of any assessments that may be required.

## Biodiversity net gain

Biodiversity net gain is a legal requirement for planning permission introduced on 12 February 2024. All applications are required to either provide detailed information proving there will be a biodiversity increase; or explain why they are exempt from doing so.

[Find out more about biodiversity net gain, and access digital tools from our partners that can help determine if you are exempt, or produce the biodiversity metric information required.](#)

Do you believe that, if the development is granted permission, the general Biodiversity Gain Condition (as set out in Paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)) would apply?

- Yes  
 No

Please add all the exemptions or transitional arrangements that apply and provide a reason why

#### Exemption:

Development subject to the de minimis exemption (development below the threshold)

#### Reason for selecting exemption:

Proposed changes impact 0 square meters of habitat and 0 meters of linear habitat

Note: Please read the help text for further information on the exemptions available and when they apply

## Foul Sewage

Please state how foul sewage is to be disposed of:

- Mains sewer
- Septic tank
- Package treatment plant
- Cess pit
- Other
- Unknown

Other

Existing connection to mains sewer will be unchanged

Are you proposing to connect to the existing drainage system?

- Yes
- No
- Unknown

## Waste Storage and Collection

Do the plans incorporate areas to store and aid the collection of waste?

- Yes
- No

Have arrangements been made for the separate storage and collection of recyclable waste?

- Yes
- No

## Trade Effluent

Does the proposal involve the need to dispose of trade effluents or trade waste?

- Yes
- No

## Residential/Dwelling Units

Does your proposal include the gain, loss or change of use of residential units?

- Yes
- No

## All Types of Development: Non-Residential Floorspace

Does your proposal involve the loss, gain or change of use of non-residential floorspace?

Note that 'non-residential' in this context covers all uses except Use Class C3 Dwellinghouses.

- Yes
- No



## Employment

Are there any existing employees on the site or will the proposed development increase or decrease the number of employees?

Yes

No

## Hours of Opening

Are Hours of Opening relevant to this proposal?

Yes

No

## Industrial or Commercial Processes and Machinery

Does this proposal involve the carrying out of industrial or commercial activities and processes?

Yes

No

Is the proposal for a waste management development?

Yes

No

## Hazardous Substances

Does the proposal involve the use or storage of Hazardous Substances?

Yes

No

## Site Visit

Can the site be seen from a public road, public footpath, bridleway or other public land?

Yes

No

If the planning authority needs to make an appointment to carry out a site visit, whom should they contact?

The agent

The applicant

Other person

## Pre-application Advice

Has assistance or prior advice been sought from the local authority about this application?

Yes

No

## Authority Employee/Member

With respect to the Authority, is the applicant and/or agent one of the following:

- (a) a member of staff
- (b) an elected member
- (c) related to a member of staff
- (d) related to an elected member

It is an important principle of decision-making that the process is open and transparent.

For the purposes of this question, "related to" means related, by birth or otherwise, closely enough that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts, would conclude that there was bias on the part of the decision-maker in the Local Planning Authority.

Do any of the above statements apply?

- Yes
- No

## Ownership Certificates and Agricultural Land Declaration

### Certificates under Article 14 - Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (as amended)

Please answer the following questions to determine which Certificate of Ownership you need to complete: A, B, C or D.

Is the applicant the sole owner of all the land to which this application relates; and has the applicant been the sole owner for more than 21 days?

- Yes
- No

Can you give appropriate notice to all the other owners/agricultural tenants? (Select 'Yes' if there are no other owners/agricultural tenants)

- Yes
- No

### Certificate Of Ownership - Certificate B

I certify/ The applicant certifies that:

- I have/The applicant has given the requisite notice to everyone else (as listed below) who, on the day 21 days before the date of this application, was the owner\* and/or agricultural tenant\*\* of any part of the land or building to which this application relates; or
- The applicant is the sole owner of all the land or buildings to which this application relates and there are no other owners\* and/or agricultural tenants\*\*.

\* "owner" is a person with a freehold interest or leasehold interest with at least 7 years left to run.

\*\* "agricultural tenant" has the meaning given in section 65(8) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990

**Name of Owner/Agricultural Tenant:**

\*\*\*\*\* REDACTED \*\*\*\*\*

**House name:**

**Number:**

32

**Suffix:**

**Address line 1:**

East Cliff Road

**Address Line 2:**

**Town/City:**

Tunbridge Wells

**Postcode:**

TN4 9AE

**Date notice served (DD/MM/YYYY):**

02/02/2024

**Person Family Name:**

**Name of Owner/Agricultural Tenant:**

\*\*\*\*\* REDACTED \*\*\*\*\*

**House name:**

**Number:**

4

**Suffix:**

**Address line 1:**

Howard Gardens

**Address Line 2:**

**Town/City:**

Tunbridge Wells

**Postcode:**

TN2 5SL

**Date notice served (DD/MM/YYYY):**

02/02/2024

**Person Family Name:**

**Name of Owner/Agricultural Tenant:**

\*\*\*\*\* REDACTED \*\*\*\*\*

**House name:**

**Number:**

32

**Suffix:**

**Address line 1:**

East Cliff Road

**Address Line 2:**

**Town/City:**

Tunbridge Wells

**Postcode:**

TN4 9AE

**Date notice served (DD/MM/YYYY):**

02/02/2024

Person Family Name:

Name of Owner/Agricultural Tenant:

\*\*\*\*\* REDACTED \*\*\*\*\*

House name:

Number:

4

Suffix:

Address line 1:

Howard Gardens

Address Line 2:

Town/City:

Tunbridge Wells

Postcode:

TN2 5SL

Date notice served (DD/MM/YYYY):

02/02/2024

Person Family Name:

Name of Owner/Agricultural Tenant:

\*\*\*\*\* REDACTED \*\*\*\*\*

House name:

Flat 1

Number:

7

Suffix:

Address line 1:

Guildford Road

Address Line 2:

Town/City:

Tunbridge Wells

Postcode:

TN1 1SW

Date notice served (DD/MM/YYYY):

02/02/2024

Person Family Name:

Person Role

- The Applicant  
 The Agent

Title

Mr

First Name

Gregory

Surname

Walsh

Declaration Date

20/03/2024

Declaration made

## Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Full planning & demolition in a conservation area as described in the questions answered, details provided, and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information.

I/We confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the person(s) giving them.

I/We also accept that, in accordance with the Planning Portal's terms and conditions:

- Once submitted, this information will be made available to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be published as part of a public register and on the authority's website;
- Our system will automatically generate and send you emails in regard to the submission of this application.

I / We agree to the outlined declaration

Signed

Gregory Walsh

Date

23/03/2024

Amendments Summary

- Uploaded block plan as requested showing area for demolition and retained footprint
- Corrected date on ownership certificate
- Deleted original Elevation and Layout Plans
- Uploaded updated Elevation and Floor Plans (Layout Plans) with minor corrections - all marked V1.1