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Application for Planning Permission; Listed Building Consent for alterations, extension or demolition of a listed building

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended); Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas 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 recommendation	ns 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	
Sawbridgeworth Congregational Church	
Address Line 1	
London Road	
Address Line 2	
Address Line 3	
Hertfordshire	
Town/city	
Sawbridgeworth	
Postcode	
CM21 9EH	
Description of site location must	be completed if postcode is not known:
Easting (x)	Northing (y)
548019	214635

Applicant Dataila
Applicant Details
Name/Company
Title
First name
Surname
-
Company Name
The Trustees of Sawbridgeworth Evangelical Congregational Church
Address
Address line 1
Sawbridgeworth Congregational Church London Road
Address line 2
Address line 3
Town/City
Sawbridgeworth
County
Hertfordshire
Country
Postcode
CM21 9EH
Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?
○ No

Description

Contact Details	
Primary number	
Secondary number	
Fax number	
Email address	
Agent Details	
Name/Company	
Title	
First name	
Surname	
CPL Chartered Architects	
Company Name	
CPL Chartered Architects	
Address	
Address line 1	
Pacific House	
Address line 2	
Sovereign Harbour Innovation Park	
Address line 3	
1 Easter Island Place	
Town/City	
Eastbourne	
County	
Country	
United Kingdom	

Postcode
BN23 6FA
Contact Details
Primary number
**** REDACTED *****
Secondary number
Fax number
Email address
***** REDACTED ******
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 details of proposals to alter, extend or demolish the listed building(s)
Demolition of 1911 classroom building and later 20th century extensions. Creation of new church hall building to provide energy efficient, flexible, and accessible hall, meeting room, church office, entrance foyer, kitchen and sanitary accommodation. Refurbishment works to 19th century church buildings to improve energy efficiency, accessibility and flexibility of the buildings. Alterations to existing forecourt to improve access, car parking, cycle parking and landscape.
Has the development or work already been started without consent?
○ Yes ② No
Listed Building Grading
What is the grading of the listed building (as stated in the list of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historical Interest)? Onn't know O Grade I O Grade II*

✓ Yes✓ No	
Demolition of Listed Building	
Does the proposal include the partial or total demolition of a listed building? ⊘ Yes ○ No	
If Yes, which of the following does the proposal involve?	
a) Total demolition of the listed building ○ Yes ⊙ No	
 b) Demolition of a building within the curtilage of the listed building ○ Yes ⊙ No 	
c) Demolition of a part of the listed building	
If the answer to c) is Yes	
What is the total volume of the listed building?	
3269.00	Cubic metres
What is the volume of the part to be demolished?	
533.00	Cubic metres
What was the date (approximately) of the erection of the part to be removed?	
Month	
March	
Year	
1911	
(Date must be pre-application submission)	
Please provide a brief description of the building or part of the building you are proposing to demolish	
1911 classroom building. 1970s kitchen and toilet block 1990s store building	
Why is it necessary to demolish or extend (as applicable) all or part of the building(s) and or structure(s)?	
The buildings are inaccessible, inflexible and not energy efficient. The 1911 building is in a poor state of repair, has issues with difficult to maintain due to its proximity to a substation. The buildings are not well connected to the church and the floor levels d issues around access, circulation and safeguarding. Overall the 20th century buildings are not considered to contribute positive century buildings in heritage design terms. For full details refer to Design and Access and Heritage Statements and Building co reports.	iffer, creating ely to the 19th

Is it an ecclesiastical building?

O Don't know

Immunity from Listing Has a Certificate of Immunity from Listing been sought in respect of this building? ○ Yes ⊙ No
Listed Building Alterations Do the proposed works include alterations to a listed building?
If Yes, do the proposed works include a) works to the interior of the building? ② Yes ○ No b) works to the exterior of the building? ② Yes ○ No
c) works to any structure or object fixed to the property (or buildings within its curtilage) internally or externally? ② Yes ○ No d) stripping out of any internal wall, ceiling or floor finishes (e.g. plaster, floorboards)? ② Yes ○ No If the answer to any of these questions is Yes, please provide plans, drawings and photographs sufficient to identify the location, extent and character of the items to be removed. Also include the proposal for their replacement, including any new means of structural support, and state references for the plan(s)/drawing(s). Details are included on the submitted drawings, Design and Access, and Heritage Statements. Details of the proposed works have been discussed with the heritage and planning officers at the pre-application stage.
Materials Does the proposed development require any materials to be used?

Please provide a description of existing and proposed material material) demolition excluded	s and finishes to be used (including type, colour and name for each
Type: External walls	
Existing materials and finishes: Buff, yellow and grey brick with stone features	
Proposed materials and finishes: Buff, yellow and grey brick with stone features to match existing	
Type: Rainwater goods	
Existing materials and finishes: PVCu and cast iron	
Proposed materials and finishes: Powder coated aluminium	
Type: Windows	
Existing materials and finishes: Timber and PVCu	
Proposed materials and finishes: Dark grey powder coated aluminium/steel	
Type: External doors	
Existing materials and finishes: Timber and PVCu	
Proposed materials and finishes: Dark grey powder coated aluminium/steel	
Type: Roof covering	
Existing materials and finishes: Slate and flat roof felt	
Proposed materials and finishes: Single ply membrane to flat roofs. Standing seam, slate grey cold	our metal to pitched roofs.
Are you supplying additional information on submitted plans, drawin ☑ Yes ☑ No	gs or a design and access statement?
f Yes, please state references for the plans, drawings and/or design	n and access statement
Design and Access Statement and proposed elevation drawings	
Site Area	
What is the measurement of the site area? (numeric characters only 3170.00	<u>').</u>

Unit
Sq. metres
Existing Use
Please describe the current use of the site
Church
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
Pedestrian and Vehicle Access, Roads and Rights of Way
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Vehicle Parking
Does the site have any existing vehicle/cycle parking spaces or will the proposed development add/remove any parking spaces?
○ No
Please provide information on the existing and proposed number of on-site parking spaces
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Vehicle Type:
Cycle spaces
Existing number of spaces:
2
Total proposed (including spaces retained):
6
Difference in spaces:
4
Vehicle Type:
Cars
Existing number of spaces:
4
Total proposed (including spaces retained):
4
Difference in spaces:
0
Foul Sewage
Please state how foul sewage is to be disposed of:
✓ Mains sewer
Septic tank
Package treatment plant
Cess pit
□ Other
Unknown
Are you proposing to connect to the existing drainage system?
✓ Yes○ No
○ Unknown
If Yes, please include the details of the existing system on the application drawings and state the plan(s)/drawing(s) references
Manhalas shows an existing site plan drawing 102 A
Manholes shown on existing site plan drawing 103A

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
Trees and Hedges
Are there trees or hedges on the proposed development site?
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'.
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 siteYes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed developmentNo
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
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 provide the pre-development biodiversity value of onsite habitats on the date of calculation
1.29
Note: This is either on the date of the application, or an earlier alternative date you seek to agree with the planning authority
Please provide the date the onsite pre-development biodiversity value was calculated
21/11/2023
If an earlier date, to the date of the planning application, has been used, please provide details why this date has been used
Planning application date delayed slightly due to pre-application engagement
Which version of the biodiversity metric was used?
4.0
When was the version of the biodiversity metric used published?
28/03/2023
Please provide the reference or supporting document/plan names for the: i. Biodiversity metric calculation ii. Onsite irreplaceable habitats (if applicable) iii. Onsite habitats existing on the date of the application for planning permission (if applicable)
Document/Plan: Biodiversity metric calculation
Document name/reference: PEA, PRA Report - V2
Note: you must supply a complete biodiversity metric calculation with your application

Does the pre-development biodiversity value and date used above factor in the loss of any onsite habitat because of activities carried out before the submission of this application?
○ Yes
⊙ No
Please provide the date the pre-development biodiversity value was calculated?
21/11/2023
Does the development site have irreplaceable habitats (corresponding to the descriptions in column 1 of [Schedule to the Biodiversity Gain Requirements (Irreplaceable Habitat) Regulations (2023)) which are: i. on land to which the application relates; and ii. exist on the date of the application for planning permission, (or an earlier agreed date)
○ Yes ⊙ No
Waste Storage and Collection
Do the plans incorporate areas to store and aid the collection of waste?
✓ Yes○ No
If Yes, please provide details:
Wheeled bins as existing. See drawing 110L Proposed Ground Floor Plan.
Have arrangements been made for the separate storage and collection of recyclable waste?
✓ Yes○ No
If Yes, please provide details:
Wheeled bins as existing. See drawing 110L Proposed Ground Floor Plan.
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.

riease a	add details of the Use	Classes and floorspace.						
Use Class: F1 - Learning and non-residential institutions Existing gross internal floorspace (square metres) (a): 602 Gross internal floorspace to be lost by change of use or demolition (square metres) (b): 208 Total gross new internal floorspace proposed (including changes of use) (square metres) (c): 817 Net additional gross internal floorspace following development (square metres) (d = c - a): 215								
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	602	208	817	215				
Industrial or Commercial Processes and Machinery Does this proposal involve the carrying out of industrial or commercial activities and processes? ○ Yes ② No Is the proposal for a waste management development? ○ Yes ② No								
	rdous Substar	nces use or storage of Hazardous Substan	ces?					

Trade Effluent Does the proposal involve the need to dispose of trade effluents or trade waste? ○ 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
If Yes, please complete the following information about the advice you were given (this will help the authority to deal with this application more efficiently):
Officer name:
Title
***** REDACTED *****
First Name
***** REDACTED *****
Surname
***** REDACTED *****
Reference
S/23/0064/PREAPP
Date (must be pre-application submission)
20/07/2023
Details of the pre-application advice received
Details are set out within the Design and Access Statement and appended pre-application enquiry response and meeting notes. The pre-application enquiry included a site meeting in June 2023 and a follow-up meeting in February 2024 to discuss how the proposals had been developed in response to the July 2023 written response. Details of engagement are included in this application.

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 & Regulation 6 - Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990
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? O 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 to run. ** 'agricultural tenant' has the meaning given in section 65(8) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

Authority Employee/Member

Owner/Agricultural Tenant				
Name of Owner/Agricultural Tenant: ****** REDACTED *******				
House name:				
Number:				
41				
Suffix:				
Address line 1: The Point				
Address Line 2:				
Town/City: Market Harborough				
Postcode: LE16 9QU				
Date notice served (DD/MM/YYYY): 19/03/2024				
Person Role				
○ The Applicant※ The Agent				
Title				
First Name				
Surname				
CPL Chartered Architects				
Declaration Date				
19/03/2024				
✓ Declaration made				
Declaration				
19/03/2024 Declaration made				

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						
- CPL Architects						
Date						
19/03/2024						