

Notice of Decision



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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 [as amended]

Application No: **24/0359**

Application Type: **Full**

Proposal: **CHANGES TO SHOP FRONT, EXTENSION TO COMMERCIAL UNIT, EXTENSION TO FLAT AND GARAGE CONVERSION TO CREATE AN ANNEXE**

Site/Location: **26 Somerton Road, Newport, NP19 8LD**

Decision Date: **31st October 2024**

In pursuance of its powers under the above Act the Council of the City of Newport notifies you of its decision in respect of your application, registered by them on 8th September 2024. The application has been:-

Refused

Reason(s) for refusal:

1. The proposed development is poorly designed and unsympathetic to the host building and neighbouring property, namely no. 2 Llewellyn Street and will result in an adverse impact to the appearance and visual amenity of the host building and to the streetscene. This is contrary to Policy GP6 of the Newport Local Development Plan (adopted January 2015).
2. The proposed development will remove existing outdoor amenity space and provide none. It will create a close juxtaposition between the existing residential accommodation at 26 Somerton Road and the proposed annex accommodation. These things combined give rise to an unacceptable level of residential amenity to serve both units and the scheme is overdevelopment. This is contrary to Policies GP2 of the Newport Local Development Plan 2011-26 Adopted Plan January 2015.
3. The proposed annex fails to demonstrate a reasonable degree of dependency between it and the main dwellinghouse contrary to Policy H7 of the adopted Newport Local Development Plan and is therefore tantamount to a new dwelling.
4. The proposed development will have a significant adverse impact upon interests of acknowledged importance, namely affordable housing. No signed legal agreement has been provided for the commuted sum contribution to assist the Council in meeting its on-going requirement for affordable housing. This is contrary to Policy H4 of the Newport Local Development Plan 2011 - 2026 (Adopted January 2015).

NOTE TO APPLICANT

This decision notice is issued in respect of Planning Permission only and does not convey any decision which may be required under any other legislation or provisions, such as the Building Regulations.
The plans have been assessed on the basis of the scale or dimensions stipulated and any statement of 'do not scale' (or similar) has been disregarded.

1. This decision relates to plan Nos: E1-1, E1-2, E1-3, E1-4, P1-1 Revision B, P1-2 Revision B, P1-3, P1-4, site location plan.
2. The development plan for Newport is the Newport Local Development Plan 2011 - 2026 (Adopted January 2015). Policies SP1, SP13, GP2, GP3, GP4, GP5, GP6, H4, T4 were relevant to the determination of this application.
3. The proposed development (including any demolition) has been screened under the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations and it is considered that an Environmental Statement is not required.
4. The Council's New Dwellings and Parking SPG's were relevant to the determination of the application.

Signed on behalf of the Council



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IMPORTANT! PLEASE READ THE NOTES ON THE REVERSE OF THIS FORM

Notes for Applicants

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Appeals to the Welsh Government

- If you are aggrieved by the decision of your Local Planning Authority to refuse permission or grant it subject to conditions, then you can appeal to the Welsh Government under Section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act (as amended).
- Appeals must be made within a prescribed time period that is dependent on the application type. These time periods along with further information on the appeals process are available here and should be checked immediately: [Planning appeals | Sub-topic | GOV.WALES](#)
- Appeals in respect of:
 - Householder and 'minor commercial' development must be received within 12 weeks from the date of the decision notice;
 - Advertisement consent applications must be received within 8 weeks from the date of the decision notice; and,
 - Other types of planning application must be received within 6 months from the date of the decision notice.

Appeal forms can be downloaded at Planning Casework (gov.wales) or are obtainable from Planning and Environment Decisions Wales, Crown Buildings, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ, email PEDW.Casework@gov.wales

- The Welsh Ministers can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal, but are not normally prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.
- The Secretary of State need not consider an appeal if it seems to the Secretary of State that the Local Planning Authority could not have granted planning permission for the proposed development or could not have granted it without the conditions they imposed, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of any development order and to any directions given under a development order.
- In practice, the Welsh Ministers do not refuse to consider appeals solely because the Local Planning Authority based their decision on a direction given by them.

Purchase Notices

- If either the Local Planning Authority or the Welsh Government refuses permission to develop land or grants it subject to conditions, the owner may claim that he/she can neither put the land to a reasonable beneficial use in its existing state nor render the land capable of a reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted.
- In these circumstances, the owner may serve a Purchase Notice on the Council. This notice will require the Council to purchase his/her interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part VI of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).