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Householder Application for Planning Permission for works or extension to a dwelling

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

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 Details

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

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

Samuel

Surname

Helkvist

Company Name

Address

Address line 1

14 Swinburne Close

Address line 2

Address line 3

Newport

Town/City

Newport

Country

GB

Postcode

NP19 8HS

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

Applicant Contact Details

Primary number

***** REDACTED *****

Secondary number

Email address

***** REDACTED *****

Description of Proposed Works

Please describe the proposed works

This application seeks retrospective planning permission to retain an existing open-sided metal garden pergola measuring approximately 3.65m x 3.0m, with a maximum height of 2.81m. As shown on the submitted plans, it is located within two metres of the property boundary and therefore requires planning permission due to its height.

The pergola is used solely for the incidental enjoyment of the dwellinghouse, extending the practical use of the garden as an outdoor seating and family space. It is domestic in nature and entirely ancillary to the residential use of the property.

The structure comprises a brown finished metal frame with an open-sided design. Its lightweight, open appearance reduces its visual mass and allows views through and around the structure. It is positioned within an established part of the garden surrounded by mature trees, shrubs and planting, which provide natural screening and assist in integrating it into its garden setting.

The existing boundary treatment is approximately 2m high when measured from the application property's garden level. The adjoining garden is approximately 500mm higher, meaning that the base of the pergola is approximately 500mm below the neighbouring garden level. Its maximum height of 2.81m therefore equates to approximately 2.31m above the adjoining garden level. This difference in levels reduces its apparent scale when viewed from the neighbouring property. Together with the existing boundary treatment, open-sided construction and mature landscaping, the structure is not considered unduly dominant or overbearing and does not cause unacceptable harm to neighbouring residential amenity.

The property lies adjacent to a city park. Existing mature vegetation provides natural screening and the pergola is considered to preserve the character and appearance of the surrounding area without detracting from the visual amenity or enjoyment of the adjoining park.

In accordance with Policy 9 of Future Wales and Policy GP5 of the Newport Local Development Plan 2011–2026, biodiversity enhancements will be provided. A bird nesting box will be installed within established planting and a hedgehog house will be positioned within a sheltered area of the garden. Both will be retained as part of the development.

Overall, the proposal retains a modest domestic garden structure that is appropriately integrated into its surroundings, supports the enjoyment of the dwellinghouse and garden, does not cause unacceptable harm to neighbouring amenity or the character of the area, and provides positive biodiversity enhancements.

Has the work already been started without planning permission?

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

If Yes, please state when the development or work was started (date must be pre-application submission)

19/06/2025

Has the work already been completed without planning permission?

- ☒ Yes
☐ No

If Yes, please state when the development or work was completed (date must be pre-application submission)

19/06/2025

Pedestrian and Vehicle Access, Roads and Rights of Way

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

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Do the proposals require any diversions, extinguishment and/or creation of public rights of way?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Please show details of any existing or proposed rights of way on or adjacent to the site, as well as any alterations to pedestrian and vehicle access, on your plans or drawings.

Trees and Hedges

Are there any trees or hedges on the site or adjoining the proposed site that would be affected by the development proposal?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

If you have answered Yes, you may need to provide a survey before your application can be validated. Your local planning authority can advise on whether a survey is required, in accordance with the current 'BS5837: Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations'

Biodiversity and Geological Conservation

Does your proposal involve:

(i) demolition of a building?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

(ii) alterations or enlargement to your roof?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

(iii) the loss of any trees or hedgerows?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

If you have answered Yes to any of the above questions, you may be required to submit a biodiversity survey to your local planning authority with your application form.

Your local planning authority will be able to advise you further, guidance is also available in the help text.

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? (Please select only one)

- ☐ The agent
☒ The applicant
☐ Other person

Pre-application Advice

Has pre-application advice been sought from the local planning authority about this application?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Authority Employee/Member

With respect to the Authority, is the applicant 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

Do any of these statements apply to you?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

Ownership Certificates

Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Wales) Order 2012

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

Are you the sole owner of ALL the land?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

If No, can you give appropriate notice to ALL the other owners?

- ☒ 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 (owner is a person with a freehold interest or leasehold interest with at least seven years left to run) of any part of the land or building to which this application relates.

Owner/Agricultural Tenant

Name of Owner/Agricultural Tenant: ***** REDACTED ***** House name: Number: 14 Suffix: Address line 1: Swinburne Close Address Line 2: Town/City: Newport Postcode: Date notice served (DD/MM/YYYY): 10/08/2026 Person Family Name:

Person Role

- ☒ The Applicant
- ☐ The Agent

Title

Mr

First Name

Samuel

Surname

Helkvist

Declaration Date

10/08/2026

☒ Declaration made

Agricultural Holding Certificate

Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Wales) Order 2012

Agricultural land declaration - you must select either A or B

☒ (A) None of the land to which the application relates is, or is part of an agricultural holding

☐ (B) I have/The applicant has given the requisite notice to every person other than myself/the applicant who, on the day 21 days before the date of this application, was a tenant of an agricultural holding on all or part of the land to which this application relates, as listed below

Person Role

☒ The Applicant

☐ The Agent

Title

Mr

First Name

Samuel

Surname

Helkvist

Declaration Date

10/08/2026

☒ Declaration made

Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Householder planning permission 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:

- Once submitted, this information will be made available to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be made available 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

Samuel Helkvist

Date

28/08/2026