

Application for Planning Permission

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

43

Suffix

Property Name

Address Line 1

Neath Road

Address Line 2

Town/city

Briton Ferry

Postcode

SA11 2DX

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

Easting (x)

274118

Northing (y)

194006

Description

Applicant Details

Name/Company

Title

Mr

First name

Joseph

Surname

Wilson

Company Name

AJ Wilson Property Ltd

Address

Address line 1

8 Bay View Close

Address line 2

Address line 3

Town/City

Port Talbot

Country

United Kingdom

Postcode

SA12 7QA

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

Contact Details

Primary number

Secondary number

Email address

Agent Details

Name/Company

Title

Miss

First name

Ffion

Surname

Goodland

Company Name

Asbri Planning

Address

Address line 1

Suite D, First Floor

Address line 2

220 High Street

Address line 3

Town/City

Swansea

Country

United Kingdom

Postcode

SA1 1NW

Contact Details

Primary number

***** REDACTED *****

Secondary number

Email address

***** REDACTED *****

Site Area

What is the site area?

195.60

Scale

Sq. metres

Does your proposal involve the construction of a new building which would result in the loss or gain of public open space?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Description of the Proposal

Description

Please describe the proposed development including any change of use

Proposed change of use of a first and second floor office (Use Class: B1) to a house of multiple occupation (Use Class: Sui Generis)

Has the work or change of use already started?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Existing Use

Please describe the current use of the site

The site currently comprises of offices on the first and second floors, whilst the ground floor is for retail use. Please note that the ground floor is not part of the proposals.

Is the site currently vacant?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Does the proposal involve any of the following?

Land which is known or suspected to be contaminated for all or part of the site

☐ Yes

☒ No

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

☐ Yes

☒ No

Application advice

If you have said Yes to any of the above, you will need to submit an appropriate contamination assessment.

Does your proposal involve the construction of a new building?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Materials

Does the proposed development require any materials to be used in the build?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

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

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

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.

Vehicle Parking

Is vehicle parking relevant to this proposal?

- ☐ 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 will need to provide a full tree survey with accompanying plan before your application can be determined. Your 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?

- ☐ 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

From 7 January 2019, all new developments of more than 1 dwelling house or where the construction area is 100 square metres or more, require Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) for surface water designed and built in accordance with the Welsh Ministers' [Statutory SuDS Standards](#). SuDS Schemes must be approved by your local authority acting in its SuDS Approving Body (SAB) role. Please contact your local authority for details of how to apply.

How will surface water be disposed of?

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

Biodiversity and Geological Conservation

To assist in answering the following questions refer to the help text. The help text provides further information on when there is a reasonable likelihood that any important biodiversity or geological conservation features may be present or nearby and whether they are likely to be affected by your proposals.

Having referred to the help text, 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?

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.

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

Please see accompanying planning letter for a full list of plans

Waste Storage and Collection

Do the plans incorporate areas to store and aid the collection of waste and have arrangements been made for the separate storage and collection of recyclable waste?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

If Yes, please provide details:

Please see accompanying Existing and Proposed Floor Plans for further information (Ref: 0526_P02)

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?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

If you have answered Yes to the question above please add details in the following table:

Use Class:

B1 - Business

Existing gross internal floorspace (square metres):

186.4

Gross internal floorspace to be lost by change of use or demolition (square metres):

186.4

Total gross internal floorspace proposed (including change of use) (square metres):

0

Net additional gross internal floorspace following development (square metres):

-186.4

Use Class:

Other

Existing gross internal floorspace (square metres):

0

Gross internal floorspace to be lost by change of use or demolition (square metres):

0

Total gross internal floorspace proposed (including change of use) (square metres):

186.4

Net additional gross internal floorspace following development (square metres):

186.4

Totals	Existing gross internal floorspace (square metres)	Gross internal floorspace to be lost by change of use or demolition (square metres)	Total gross new internal floorspace proposed (including changes of use) (square metres)	Net additional gross internal floorspace following development (square metres)
	186.4	186.4	186.4	0

For hotels, residential institutions and hostels please additionally indicate the loss or gain of rooms:

Employment

Will the proposed development require the employment of any staff?

- ☐ 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

Renewable and Low Carbon Energy

Does your proposal involve the installation of a standalone renewable or low-carbon energy development?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Hazardous Substances

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

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

Neighbour and Community Consultation

Have you consulted your neighbours or the local community about the proposal?

- ☐ 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? (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

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

Q2022/0188

Date (must be pre-application submission)

04/11/2022

Details of the pre-application advice received

This planning application was subject to pre-application discussions (Ref: Q2022/0188) for the following proposals:

Proposed change of use of first and second floor office (B1) to a house of multiple occupancy (C4) or apartments (C3).

A pre-application meeting was held on-site with the design team and the case officer, Jessica King, on the 26th October 2022. The following comments were raised in the case officer's formal pre-application response:

Design and visual impact

- The works would be retained within the building and are not considered to have an impact upon the exterior of the building.
- Bin storage, cycle storage and clothes drying facilities should be indicated on a block plan in support of any future planning application.
- A Heritage Impact Assessment is recommended to accompany any future planning application due to the local importance of the building.

Impact on neighbouring properties

- The proposal is not considered to unacceptable harm the residential amenity of the neighbouring properties.

Parking

- As the site is within close proximity to the town centre, local facilities, public transport provision and cycle routes, the proposals are deemed acceptable in terms of parking.
- Recommend that a Transport Assessment is prepared to support any future planning application at the site.

Biodiversity

- Due to the age of the building, a bat survey is recommended.
- Biodiversity enhancements are required in support of any future planning application.

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

☒ 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

Miss

First Name

Ffion

Surname

Goodland

Declaration Date

06/08/2024

☒ Declaration made

Declaration

I/We hereby apply for Full 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

Ffion Goodland

Date

06/08/2024