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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

Please refer to the submitted Site Location Plan which delineates the exact land this application pertains to.

## Applicant Details

### Name/Company

Title

First name

Surname

Company Name

### Address

Address line 1

Address line 2

Address line 3

Town/City

County

Country

Postcode

Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant?

Yes

No

### Contact Details

Primary number

Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

## Agent Details

### Name/Company

Title

First name

Surname

Company Name

### Address

Address line 1

Address line 2

Address line 3

Town/City

County

Country

Postcode

## Contact Details

Primary number

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Secondary number

Fax number

Email address

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## Site Area

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

0.05

Unit

Hectares

## 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

Partial Demolition and Change of Use of a former Methodist Church, Slaithwaite (Use Class F1(f)) to 7no. residential dwellings (Use Class C3) with ancillary landscape and external works

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)?

The proposal is to result in internal alterations including the removal of the pews, raised platforms and organ on the first floor. This is required because the double height first floor needs to be cleared to allow for workable apartments' layouts. Additional, external demolitions are to include the partial removal the Sunder School extension facing Station Road. The rear part of the Sunday School is not original, and has been altered over time. Its removal will increase the size of the existing lightwell, allowing natural light to the ground floor. For more information, please review the documents that have been submitted in support of this application including, in particular, the Heritage Statement.

## Existing Use

Please describe the current use of the site

This application pertains to a Methodist Church located in Slaithwaite. Thus, the existing Use Class of this particular unit is recognised as being Use Class f1(f).

Is the site currently vacant?

- Yes  
 No

If Yes, please describe the last use of the site

The Methodist Church has been vacant and unused for over 12 months. Its existing Use Class is F1(f).

When did this use end (if known)?

28/05/2024

**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:**

Other

**Other (please specify):**

External Materials

**Existing materials and finishes:**

Please refer to the submitted documents for information pertaining to the existing materials and finishes, in particular, the Heritage Statement and Design and Access Statement.

**Proposed materials and finishes:**

Please refer to the submitted documents for information pertaining to the proposed materials and finishes, in particular, the Heritage Statement and Design and Access Statement.

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

Please refer to the submitted documents for more information pertaining to materials and colours to be used externally including the submitted Design and Access Statement, Heritage Statement and drawings.

## 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

**Vehicle Type:**

Cycle spaces

**Existing number of spaces:**

0

**Total proposed (including spaces retained):**

7

**Difference in spaces:**

7

## 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 the requirement does not apply to the development.

[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

Biodiversity net gain has been introduced as a general condition for planning permission. As set out in [The Environment Act 2021](#): "grants of planning permission in England [are] to be subject to a condition to secure that the biodiversity gain objective is met". Therefore, in England, all planning permissions are generally subject to biodiversity gain rules, unless they are specifically exempt or out of scope.

If you have stated that the biodiversity net gain requirement does not apply to your application you must provide the reason(s) why, and may also need to supply evidence (especially where you believe the application is eligible for the 'de minimis' exemption).

[You can use our partner's free online tool to determine if you are exempt and to produce detailed reasons](#)

Please add all the reasons why biodiversity net gain does not apply and enter a justification for each one

**Reason biodiversity net gain does not apply:**

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

**What best describes the size of your site?:**

Under 25 square metres

**Please justify the reason why biodiversity net gain does not apply:**

Pegasus Group considers the proposed development to fall within the de minimis exemption under the Environment Act 2021. The site lacks sufficient ecological value to trigger the Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) threshold. Specifically, this exemption applies to development that does not impact a priority habitat and impacts less than 25 square metres (e.g. 5m x 5m) of non-priority onsite habitat (such as modified grassland) or 5m for non-priority onsite linear habitats (such as native hedgerows). According to Planning Practice Guidance, this exemption applies to developments involving a change of use where there is minimal or no impact on existing habitats. This view has also reflected by the Local Planning Authority in their pre-application response. Please refer to the submitted Planning Statement for more information.

Note: Please read the help text for further information why developments may be exempt or not in scope.

## 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

The proposed development is intended to connect to the existing mains drainage system. In their pre-application response, the Council noted that such a connection is likely. The response also advised that, if a connection to mains drainage is not possible, the application should include details outlining how foul and surface water would be managed. Since the proposal involves connecting to the existing mains drainage, it is considered that additional drainage details are not required to be submitted to the Authority at this stage.

## Waste Storage and Collection

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

- Yes
- No

If Yes, please provide details:

Please review the submitted drawings for more information.

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

**Please note: This question is based on the current housing categories and types specified by government.**

If your application was started before 23 May 2020, the categories and types shown in this question will now have changed. We recommend that you review any information provided to ensure it is correct before the application is submitted.

## Proposed

Please select the housing categories that are relevant to the proposed units

- Market Housing  
 Social, Affordable or Intermediate Rent  
 Affordable Home Ownership  
 Starter Homes  
 Self-build and Custom Build

# Market Housing

Please specify each type of housing and number of units proposed

<b>Housing Type:</b> Flats / Maisonettes
<b>1 Bedroom:</b> 0
<b>2 Bedroom:</b> 6
<b>3 Bedroom:</b> 0
<b>4+ Bedroom:</b> 0
<b>Unknown Bedroom:</b> 0
<b>Total:</b> 6

<b>Housing Type:</b> Houses
<b>1 Bedroom:</b> 0
<b>2 Bedroom:</b> 1
<b>3 Bedroom:</b> 0
<b>4+ Bedroom:</b> 0
<b>Unknown Bedroom:</b> 0
<b>Total:</b> 1

Proposed Market Housing Category Totals	1 Bedroom Total	2 Bedroom Total	3 Bedroom Total	4+ Bedroom Total	Unknown Bedroom Total	Total
	0	7	0	0	0	7

## Existing

Please select the housing categories for any existing units on the site

- Market Housing
- Social, Affordable or Intermediate Rent
- Affordable Home Ownership
- Starter Homes
- Self-build and Custom Build

## Totals

Total proposed residential units	7
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Total existing residential units

0

Total net gain or loss of residential units

7

### 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

Please add details of the Use Classes and floorspace.

<p><b>Use Class:</b> F1 - Learning and non-residential institutions</p> <p><b>Existing gross internal floorspace (square metres) (a):</b> 503.4</p> <p><b>Gross internal floorspace to be lost by change of use or demolition (square metres) (b):</b> 45.5</p> <p><b>Total gross new internal floorspace proposed (including changes of use) (square metres) (c):</b> 609.5</p> <p><b>Net additional gross internal floorspace following development (square metres) (d = c - a):</b> 106.10</p>
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Totals	503.4	45.5	609.5	106.10000000000002

### 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

**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

2025/2036

Date (must be pre-application submission)

08/05/2025

Details of the pre-application advice received

To summarise, the Local Planning Authority confirmed in their pre-application response that the principle of development could be supported, subject to the submission of a statement demonstrating how the proposals align with Policy LP48 of the Local Development Plan. The submitted Planning Statement addresses that requirement and, in doing so, effectively establishes the principle of development. The Authority also confirmed that, in relation to other technical matters, including design, residential amenity of neighbouring / future occupiers, access and highway safety, ecology, drainage, land quality and impact upon trees are considered to be matters that, whilst requiring attention to ensure they are suitable, can be undertaken in a manner which ensures a suitable redevelopment of the site can take place. For more information pertaining to the Authority's pre-application response, please review the submitted Planning Statement.

## 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

Is any of the land to which the application relates part of an Agricultural Holding?

- Yes
- No

### Certificate Of Ownership - Certificate A

I certify/The applicant certifies that on the day 21 days before the date of this application nobody except myself/ the applicant was the owner\* of any part of the land or building to which the application relates, and that none of the land to which the application relates is, or is part of, an agricultural holding\*\*

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

\*\* "agricultural holding" has the meaning given by reference to the definition of "agricultural tenant" in section 65(8) of the Act.

NOTE: You should sign Certificate B, C or D, as appropriate, if you are the sole owner of the land or building to which the application relates but the land is, or is part of, an agricultural holding.

Person Role

- The Applicant
- The Agent

Title

Mr

First Name

Jonathan

Surname

Hobbs

Declaration Date

29/05/2025

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

Kelly Compson

Date

29/05/2025