

MERTHYR TYDFIL COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (as amended)
The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure)
(Wales) Order 2012 (as amended)

FULL PLANNING PERMISSION

To: Mr Alex Thomas c/o Mr Karl Lewis Letrucco Design Suite 7 35 Stowpark Circle Newport
NP20 4HF

WHEREAS you submitted an application on the 19th July 2024 to develop: Wesley Methodist Church
South Street Dowlais CF48 3DS short particulars of the application being as follows:-

Name of the Applicant

Mr Alex Thomas
Pitwood House
Abercanaid
Merthyr Tydfil
CF48 1YL

Description of Proposed Development

Proposed conversion and change of use of existing
vacant Wesley Chapel into 6 No self contained flats and
associated external works (retention). (Full)

The Council in pursuance of its powers under the above mentioned Act and Order hereby **GRANTS PERMISSION** for the carrying out of the proposed development as described above and in accordance with the application and plans (if any) submitted with the application subject to compliance with the following conditions.

CONDITIONS

Please see attached.

Date: 11th October 2024

Signed:



(Director of Neighbourhood Services)

**IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU READ
THE NOTES ATTACHED TO THIS FORM**

CONDITIONS

- 1 The development shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans and documents:

Drawing no. LT2116.04.02 Rev J (Proposed Elevations) received on 7 October 2024
Drawing no. LT2116.04.0G Rev D (Proposed Site Plan) received on 12 August 2024
Drawing no. LT2116.04.01 Rev F (Proposed Floor Plans) received on 7 October 2024
Drawing no. LT2116.04.04 Rev A (Bin Store Details) received on 19 July 2024
Drawing no. TDA.2849.01 (Detailed Soft Landscape Proposals) received on 19 July 2024
Bat Scoping Survey, V1.0, dated April 2022, produced by Ecological Services Ltd, received on 19 July 2024
Bat Survey, V3.0, dated September 2022, produced by Ecological Services Ltd, received on 7 October 2024

Reason -To ensure compliance with the approved plans and clearly define the scope of the permission.

- 2 All planting, seeding or turfing comprised in the approved details of landscaping shall be carried out in the first planting and seeding seasons following the occupation of the buildings or the completion of the development, whichever is the sooner; and any trees or plants which within a period of 5 years from the completion of the development die, are removed or become seriously damaged or diseased shall be replaced in the next planting season with others of similar size and species.

Reason - To ensure that the new development will be visually attractive in the interests of amenity and to accord with Policy SW11 of the Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council Replacement Local Development Plan.

- 3 The car parking spaces, as indicated on Drawing no. LT2116.04.03 Rev G (Proposed Site Plan), shall be provided before any flat, hereby permitted, is occupied. The car parking spaces shall thereafter be kept available for the parking of motor vehicles at all times.

Reason - To ensure that cars are parked off the highway in the interests of highway safety and to accord with Policy SW11 of the Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council Replacement Local Development Plan

- 4 **BEFORE** any of the flats hereby approved are occupied, bat and bird boxes shall be installed in accordance with drawing number LT2116.04.02 Rev J. The bat and bird boxes box shall be retained in perpetuity thereafter.

Reason - To protect the natural environment in accordance with Policies EnW1 and EnW2 of the Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council Replacement Local Development Plan.

- 5 **Prior to the installation of any external lighting**, a Lighting Scheme shall be submitted to and agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority, which shall include:
 - Details of the siting and type of lighting to be used, including the colour temperature
 - A plan illustrating the lux levels across the site.

The lighting scheme shall only be installed in accordance with the approved details and maintained as such thereafter.

Reason - To limit the impact on protected species and reduce light pollution in accordance with policies EnW2 and EnW4 of the Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council Replacement Local Development Plan.

INFORMATIVES

1. This planning permission does not provide consent to undertake works that require a European Protected Species (EPS) licence.

All bats and their roosts are protected under UK and European legislation. It is an offence to deliberately kill, injure, capture or disturb a bat or to recklessly damage or destroy their breeding sites or resting places.

If works are planned on a building/tree in which bats are found to be roosting, Natural Resources Wales (NRW) must be contacted. on 0300 065 3000 or at <https://naturalresources.wales/permits-and-permissions/species-licensing/apply-for-a-protected-species-licence/bat-licences/?lang=en>.

If work has already commenced and bats are found, or if any evidence that bats are using the site as a roost is found, work should cease and NRW should be contacted immediately.

Under these circumstances, an EPS licence is likely to be required to undertake the works within the law.

2. All birds, their nests and eggs are protected by law under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) while they are breeding.

If works to any trees, hedgerows and/or other nesting bird habitat (including buildings with suitable features) are to be undertaken, they will take place outside of the bird nesting season. If the works must be undertaken during the nesting season (generally from 1st March until 31st August, although birds are known to nest outside of these dates in suitable conditions), a breeding bird survey will be required and must be carried out by a suitably qualified ecologist. Any active nests identified will be protected until the young have fledged.

Where a Schedule 1 species (as defined in the Wildlife and Countryside Act - <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1981/69/schedule/1> is involved, compensation for impacts, e.g., loss of nesting sites, will be devised and implemented.

3. If a drop kerb is required, an application form to obtain permission for this aspect of the development can be obtained from the highways department;

Website : <https://www.merthyr.gov.uk/resident/parking-roads-and-travel/roads-footways-and-pavements/dropped-kerb/>

Email : Highways.CustomerCare@merthyr.gov.uk Tel no : 01685 727470 or 725000

4. The proposed development lies within a coal mining area which may contain unrecorded coal mining related hazards. If any coal mining feature is encountered during development, this should be reported immediately to the Coal Authority on 0345 762 6848.

Further information is also available on the Coal Authority website at:
www.gov.uk/government/organisations/the-coal-authority

NOTES

Your attention is drawn to the following:-

Appeals to the Planning & Environment Decisions Wales:

- If you are aggrieved by the decision of the Local Planning Authority to refuse permission for the proposed development or to grant it subject to conditions, then you can appeal to the Planning & Environment Decisions Wales under Section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).
- If you want to appeal, then you must do so within **six months** of the date of this notice, using a form which you can get from Planning & Environment Decisions Wales, Crown Buildings, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ. Alternatively you can use Planning & Environment Decisions Wales website (www.gov.wales/planningappeal) to complete your appeal.
- The Planning & Environment Decisions Wales can allow a longer period of an appeal, but will not normally be prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.
- The Planning & Environment Decisions Wales need not consider an appeal if it seems 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 Planning & Environment Decisions Wales does 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 Planning & Environment Decisions Wales 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).

PLEASE NOTE: THIS NOTICE RELATES ONLY TO A PLANNING DECISION AND DOES NOT RELATE TO OTHER LEGISLATION INCLUDING ANY LEGISLATION UNDER:

BUILDING REGULATIONS
LISTED BUILDING LEGISLATION
HIGHWAY LEGISLATION

IF PLANNING PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED IT IS ADVISABLE TO ESTABLISH WHETHER ANY OTHER FORM OF CONSENT IS REQUIRED AND TO OBTAIN SUCH CONSENT BEFORE COMMENCING DEVELOPMENT

Please quote the application number in all correspondence.