



**SUSTAINABILITY CHECKLIST FOR HOUSEHOLDER
APPLICATIONS**

The overall aim of the District Plan for Welwyn Hatfield is to make development more sustainable in order to improve people's quality of life. This checklist has been drawn up to identify the things that could make householder development more sustainable. The intention is that this should be completed and returned with your planning application form. It will then be used by the Council in assessing whether your proposal is acceptable.

However, this checklist only covers sustainability issues. There will be other matters which the Council will need to consider, such as design, which are set out in the District Plan and in this document. In designing your extensions, buildings or alterations you should refer to the relevant policies and standards.

Applicants should be aware that if their house is a listed building or in a Conservation Area, some or all of the criteria may not be appropriate to their application. In such cases you should contact a Planning Officer at the Council to discuss the checklist.

Please state how your proposal addresses the following criteria:

1. Minimize any impact on the daylight, sunlight and privacy enjoyed by any neighboring property.
Our proposals have made minimal impact on the surrounding and adjoining properties
2. Make best use of the sun's energy to reduce energy costs e.g. south facing living room windows.
The layout of living rooms has been changed to maximise the daylight into the principle rooms facing the west.
3. Maximize other opportunities for energy saving, such as cavity wall insulation, double-glazing or loft insulation.
Thermal performance will meet or exceed the requirements of the Building regulations

None proposed

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New timber will be sourced from certified sustainable sources. Where appropriate recycled materials will be used. Materials incorporating percentages of recycled materials will be selected

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No works are being proposed to existing access arrangements.

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Please state how your proposal addresses the following criteria:

Any new block paving will be porous design. New rainwater soak-away's will be provided to accommodate new RWP

Use of low flow-rate showers , low capacity cisterns to WC and provision of water butts are being specified

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We are retaining the fences and wall where possible and where building boundary walls are keeping these to single storey

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Our design incorporates secure by design guidance on windows and doors. We have not changed existing fences.

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The construction contractor will be encouraged to work in accordance with the considerate contractors scheme

Please state how your proposal addresses the following criteria:

There is a provided to meet needs storage of bicycles. Recycling will be via current bins and box provisions

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