

# Quick guide to maps for planning applications

A **planning map** is used when you're making a planning application. Location plans, site / block plans are essential items if you're submitting documents for planning permission, listed buildings, conservation area consent, prior notification applications, or land registration applications. Sometimes, planning maps are needed for connecting utilities and license applications.

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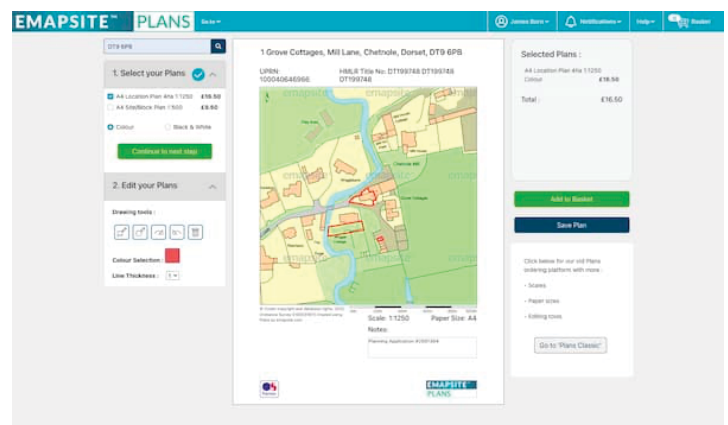
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### a. A4 Location Plan 1:1250

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# Quick guide to block plans

## What is a block plan?

**Block plans** are also known as site plans. If you're involved in a house build, you're adding an extension or undertaking a renovation, then you'll probably be asked for a block plan as part of the planning application process.

## When do I need a block plan?

### - Planning applications

Block plans are needed for a planning application, which is a request for permission to change what currently exists on a plot of land.

### - Listed building and conservation area consent

If you own a listed building and want to make changes to it, such as an alteration or an extension, you will need a block plan to get listed building consent.

### - Prior notification planning applications

These are made if you're extending an agricultural building, turning an office into a residential building, demolishing a building, installing renewable energy.

### - Land Registration application

If you're making an application to register ownership, then you'll need a block plan (remember, these are also known as site plans).

### - Connecting utilities

If your property needs new utilities or a change to the supply of utilities such as gas, electricity, or water, then you'll need a block plan.

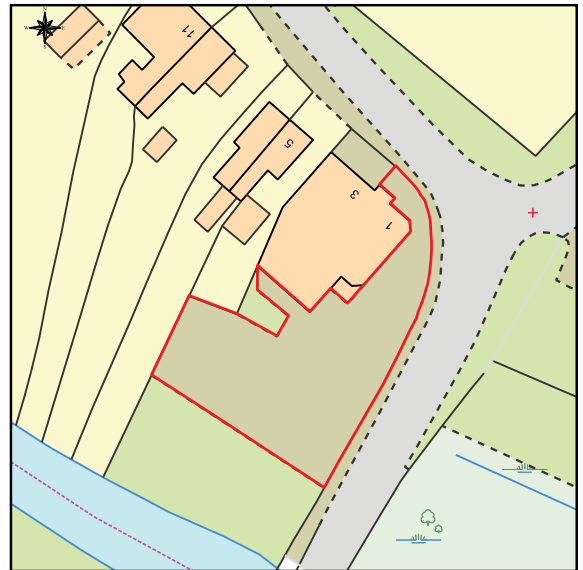
### - License applications

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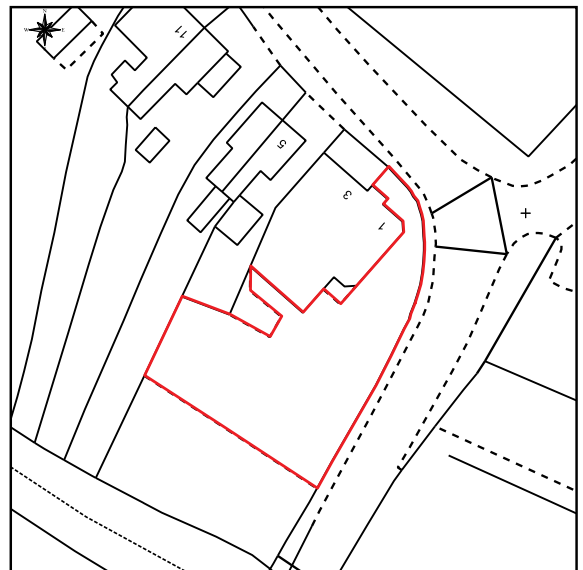
## Block plan specifications

Block plans usually show a property's location in red. They'll also show the boundaries of the whole site and features immediately next to it, such as roads or nearby buildings.

Government guidance on 'Making an Application' states site / block plans must be identified with a metric scale and must show which way is North, too. Although not a requirement of legislation, the inclusion of a linear scale bar is also useful, particularly in the case of electronic submissions.



Example: Site / Block Plan  
at 1:500 Scale



Example: Black & White Site / Block Plan  
at 1:500 Scale

## Site plans vs. Location plans vs. Floor plans

SITE / BLOCK PLANS	LOCATION PLANS	FLOOR PLANS
Site plans (also known as block plans) show the land that's involved in a planning application, and how a building relates to the physical boundary lines.	A location plan shows where you're proposing to develop land or buildings in relation to other surrounding properties and parcels of land.	A site plan is a view from above of the entire property, while a floor plan shows the building's footprint and includes the interior walls and features.

### Buying a site / block plan

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