<u>New Planning Applications Wales</u> <u>website goes live</u>

A new 'Planning Applications Wales' website goes live today and will be the portal for submitting planning applications or associated consents to Local Planning Authorities, replacing the Planning Portal.

The website has been designed to make it quicker and easier for anyone to make a planning application and forms have been simplified. It is designed to meet the needs of users of the Welsh planning system.

To make a planning application, please visit the Welsh Government website planning pages.

Guidance on what types of development can be pursued without the need to apply for planning permission along with further information on permitted development, the planning service and building regulations is available on the <u>Welsh Government website</u>.

Cabinet Secretary for Energy, Planning and Rural Affairs Lesley Griffiths:

"Our new Planning Applications Wales website wil be the place people will need to go to submit their planning applications from today.

"In designing the new website, we've made sure the service meets the needs of Welsh users. The new website will also make it quicker and simpler for anyone wanting to submit a planning application."