

**Self-Assessment Form I - Domestic renewable energy (solar on property)**  
**Do I need planning permission for installation or alteration of solar equipment on my property (dwellinghouse or block of flats or building situated within curtilage of house or block of flats) (Schedule 2, Part 14, Class A)**



If the proposal is for a mobile home or commercial property or the installation of stand-alone solar for microgeneration this form will not apply.

The installation or alteration of solar equipment to your property does not need planning permission if:

1. You can answer 'NO' to ALL of the following questions;
2. You comply with all of the conditions (A, B and C below); and
3. There are no planning restrictions removing rights to install or alter solar equipment on your property under this Class. If you are unsure if any restrictions have been removed, please email [planning@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk](mailto:planning@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk). A fee of £43.00 (inclusive of VAT) is applicable and we aim to respond within 10 working days of receipt and payment.

**IMPORTANT:** See 'Guidance' towards the end of this form, or for more information refer to the [Planning Portal](#)

If you answer "YES" to any of the questions, or do not comply with the conditions you will need to apply for [Householder Planning Permission](#) (a fee of £206.00 is required, however there are some [exemptions to fees](#)).

Please check whether your property is in a [Conservation Area](#) before answering these questions (see guidance towards the end of this form)

Would the solar PV or solar thermal equipment:			
1.	Protrude more than 0.2 metres beyond the wall or roof slope when measured from the perpendicular with the external surface?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
2.	Be higher than the highest part of the roof excluding the chimney?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
3.	If the property is in a conservation area, be installed on a wall which fronts a highway?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.	Be installed on a site designated as a scheduled monument? If you are unsure, you can check here <a href="#">Historic England   National Heritage List for England</a>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
5.	Be installed on a listed building or on a building within the curtilage of a listed building? If you are unsure, you can check here <a href="#">Historic England   National Heritage List for England</a>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>CONDITIONS: The following conditions <u>must always</u> be complied with:</b>			
A	The solar PV or solar thermal equipment is, so far as practicable, sited to minimise its effect on the external appearance of the building.	Check <input type="checkbox"/>	
B	The solar PV or solar thermal equipment is, so far as practicable, sited to minimise its effect on the amenities of the surrounding area.	Check <input type="checkbox"/>	
C	The solar PV or thermal solar equipment will be removed as soon as reasonably practicable when no longer needed.	Check <input type="checkbox"/>	

**Please note:** The information and advice contained in this form is not a formal legal determination under Section 192 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and Newark and Sherwood District Council accepts no responsibility for any action taken arising from its use. If you require a written legal determination on the requirement for planning permission, an application for a Certificate of Lawful Proposed Development is required. Applications may be submitted via the [Planning Portal](#). Applications for planning permission can

also be submitted this way. To view the legislation, please follow this hyperlink to [The Town and Country Planning \(General Permitted Development\) \(England\) Order 2015](#) refer Schedule 2, Part 14, Class A. **Please note there have been updates to this legislation since original publication.**

**Guidance:** in terms of original house, although you may not have built an extension to the house, a previous owner may have done so. You should also check that there are no restrictive conditions on any planning decision relating to the property, or if your property is within a Conservation Area ([click here to view on our website](#)) or a Listed Building. Please contact a member of our Customer Services team to establish whether any of these constraints or restrictions apply - email [planning@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk](mailto:planning@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk) or telephone 01636 650000. If your house is a Listed Building and the panels are being installed on the building, then Listed Building consent will be required even if planning permission is not necessary.

If you require further information regarding your enquiry, you can also speak to our colleagues in Customer Services who can advise and, if necessary, pass your question on to our duty planner. You do not need to make an appointment (service operates between 2pm to 5pm Monday to Friday), however it is important for you to aware that we will not offer any advice which must be obtained through a formal application. If you determine planning permission is required, we do offer our Pre-Application advice service. Further information is available on [our website](#) at or email [planning@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk](mailto:planning@newark-sherwooddc.gov.uk).

This form does not determine the requirement for Building Regulations approval, which comes under different legislation. Our Local Authority Building Control Partnership (East Midlands Building Consultancy (EMBC)) provides advice and may be contacted on their website at <http://www.eastmidlandsbc.com/> or by telephone on 0333 003 8132.

*Definitions:*

1. *“Curtilage” is land which forms part and parcel with the house. Usually, it is the area of land within which the house sits, or to which it is attached, such as the garden, but for some houses, especially in the case of properties with large grounds, it may be a smaller area; and*
2. *“Highway” – is a public right of way such as a public road, public footpath and bridleway. For the purposes of the Order, it also includes unadopted streets or private ways.*