

# Why do you need building control?

Are you thinking of carrying out some building work to your home?

Are you considering having building work carried out?

Are you unsure if the work will require Building Regulations consent?

If so, please contact us on **0151 934 3176/4174** and we will be happy to advise you.

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LABC is a membership organization representing all local authority building control teams in England and Wales who work with industry and building professionals to ensure compliance with Building Regulations. There are 3,000 surveyors working in LABC providing a consistent national service that is delivered at a local level.

## What our customers say

*“Exceptional service, knowledgeable and efficient surveyors”*

## Contact Us

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## Extension, loft conversion, garage conversion, structural works etc ?

### I have planning permission is that enough?

Not all building works require planning permission; however most do require Building Control approval. For example, structural alterations e.g. removing load bearing walls or chimney breasts, home extensions or loft conversions will need building control approval.

Even if you have planning permission you are still likely to require building control approval as well. You, as the householder, are required by law to submit a Building Regulations Application and if you are unsure whether your work will need building control approval, we will be happy to advise you.

### What we do

The Building Control process exists to ensure your new home or extension is safe, well built and energy efficient, meeting the standards set for today's homes, in accordance with Building Regulations. It is there to safeguard your home and those of your neighbours.

Our qualified building control surveyors will check your plans to ensure your proposed design and product specification meet the full range of building standards including; structural integrity, fire safety, acoustic performance, ventilation, accessibility and energy efficiency. Identifying potential problems at this stage will save you time, trouble and expense.

When you and your builder are ready to start on site, we will agree a schedule of inspections. This will enable us to check the works at critical stages of construction and help you and your builder with any technical queries as the build progresses. We offer a same day inspection service and are always just at the end of the telephone.

At the end of the project we will provide you with a **completion certificate**, this is required for the conveyancing process when you come to sell your home, we will also retain copies of both your plans and certificate should you need them in the future.

### How we can help you

Your home is likely to be your largest financial asset and you will want to safeguard it. Our team of experienced and qualified local surveyors have the best knowledge of local unique site conditions, we work with the vast majority of reputable builders in the area, who value our technical expertise, prompt efficient service and the convenience of a practical and responsive local team.

Sefton Council Building Control's primary concern is the safety and well-being of our residents and we work in your best interests. We offer expert, independent and impartial advice, and are only a few minutes away if you have any unexpected problems on site.

