Minutes

NORTH PLANNING COMMITTEE

19 July 2012



Meeting held at Committee Room 5 - Civic Centre, High Street, Uxbridge UB8 1UW

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors: Eddie Lavery (Chairman)

Allan Kauffman (Vice-Chairman)

David Allam (Labour Lead)

Jazz Dhillon Carol Melvin David Payne Raymond Graham

OFFICERS PRESENT:

Matthew Duigan - Planning Services Manager

Meg Hirani – Planning Contracts and Planning Information

Manmohan Ranger - Highways Engineer

Anne Gerzon – Legal Officer

Charles Francis - Democratic Services

52. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** (Agenda Item 1)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor John Morgan. Councillor Tim Barker attended as a substitute

53. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS COMING BEFORE THIS MEETING (Agenda Item 2)

Councillor Carol Melvin declared a non-pecuniary interest in Item 6 – Former Reindeer Public House, Maxwell road, Northwood as she had been involved in the consultation process with both the applicant and the objectors. Cllr Melvin left the Committee Room and did not participate in the item.

Councillor David Payne declared a non-pecuniary personal interest in Item 8– Eastcote House and Gardens, High Road, Eastcote as he was a member of the Eastcote Conservation Panel and Friends of Eastcote House Gardens. Cllr Payne left the Committee Room and did not participate in the item.

54. TO SIGN AND RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7 JUNE 2012 (Agenda Item 3)

Were agreed as an accurate record.

55. MATTERS THAT HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED IN ADVANCE OR URGENT (Agenda Item 4)

None.

56. TO CONFIRM THAT THE ITEMS OF BUSINESS MARKED PART 1 WILL BE CONSIDERED IN PUBLIC AND THAT THE ITEMS MARKED PART 2 WILL BE CONSIDERED IN PRIVATE (Agenda Item 5)

All items were considered in Part 1.

57. FORMER REINDEER PUBLIC HOUSE, MAXWELL ROAD, NORTHWOOD 18958/APP/2012/1035 (Agenda Item 6)

Minor planning Material Amendment to permission dated 13/07/2011 18958/APP/2011/873 seeking amendments balconies of flats 2 & 6, amendments to the internal layouts of flats 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 & 11; amendments of roof and introduction of roof terraces to flats 11 and 12; provision of front doors for flat 4; increase in depth of bays by 460mm provision of doors to front gardens for flat 5 (south east elevation); and amendments to fenestration on south west elevation. (S73 Application for amendment to approved plans under condition 4).

In discussing the report, Members sought further clarification about the roof gardens and enquired whether or not there would be any weight restrictions. Officers explained that the roof gardens would be situated on concrete roofs and the size of the gardens would prohibit the use of large pots so weight restrictions would not be applicable in this case.

The recommendation for approval was moved, seconded and on being put to the vote was agreed.

Resolved -

That the application be Approved subject to a Section 106 agreement.

58. **81 SHENLEY AVENUE, RUISLIP 64555/APP/2012/14** (Agenda Item 7)

Erection of 2 x three bedroom semi-detached dwellings with associated amenity space, parking and alterations to vehicular access, involving demolition of existing detached bungalow.

Officers introduced the report and drew the Committee's attention to the changes set out in the Addendum.

In accordance with the Council's constitution, a representative of the petition received in objection to the application was invited to address the meeting.

The petitioner made the following points:

- Proposed houses were large and would extend far beyond rear building line of the two storey houses, including the adjacent properties in Shenley Avenue,
- Proposal was an overdevelopment, would be out of character with Shenley Avenue and detrimental to the street scene.
- The rear projection would result in loss of sunlight to adjoining gardens, including to rear of No. 79 and cast shadows on rear patios.
- Proposal would create problems for adjoining properties whilst under

construction.

- The revised proposal meant that there would be a further increase to the existing footprint with single storey side extensions towards both adjoining properties which would overpower adjoining properties.
- The proposed design suggests there would be an element of garden grabbing.
- Most local properties incorporated semi-circular bay windows and the design of the bays for this application would be out of character with the surrounding properties
- The proposed design should be amended (to address the above concerns).

No Ward Councillors attended the meeting.

The Committee sought clarification on a number of points including the size and scale of the development, the bay window element of the design and further details about the overshadowing diagrams shown in the officer presentation.

In response, officers confirmed that the proposed design would project back 3 metres from the first floors of neighbouring properties and the first floor bulk would be set back 1.8m from the side boundaries. Officers confirmed the proposal would not encroach upon a 45 degree line of sight taken from any adjoining first floor rear facing windows and was therefore compliant with Hillingdon's Unitary Development Plan.

In relation to the bay window design, officers confirmed these were smaller in the size to the bay windows of surrounding properties. With regards to right to light issues and the shadow diagrams, officers provided further clarification about the extent of shadowing at different times of the day and confirmed that the impact was deemed to be acceptable to neighbouring properties

Resolved -

That the application be Approved as per agenda and addendum and the deletion of "Proposed Perspective" from plan list.

59. **EASTCOTE HOUSE AND GARDENS, HIGH ROAD, EASTCOTE** 23846/APP/2012/1133 (Agenda Item 8)

Repair works to garden wall, installation of new gate to eastern side of wall and repair of stable block and installation of 2 micro CCTV cameras and burglar alarm to eaves of stable block (Application for Listed Building Consent).

Officers provided a comprehensive presentation which illustrated the extent of the works which were necessary to restore the site to full public access. The Committee agreed that significant work was required and acknowledged that the new gate would be located at the site of the existing gate.

Resolved -

That the application be Approved as per the agenda and addendum.

60. SACRED HEART RC PRIMARY SCHOOL, HERLWYN AVENUE, RUISLIP 386/APP/2012/750 (Agenda Item 9)

Formation of a multi-use games area (MUGA) to the southern boundary of the site to provide all weather play area for pupils of the school.

Officers introduced the item which concerned an application for the installation of a Multi Use Games Area. Members agreed that as there was no provision for flood lighting and the mesh fencing was conditioned to be dark green to match the existing fencing, there would be minimal impact to the surrounding area from the proposal.

The recommendation for approval was moved, seconded and on being put to the vote was agreed.

Resolved – That the application be approved for the reasons set out in the officer's report and an amendment to Condition 7, to delete subsections 2a, b, c, d, f and g.

61. S106 QUARTERLY MONITORING REPORT - UP TO 31ST MARCH 2012 (Agenda Item 10)

S106 Quarterly Monitoring Report - Up to 31st March 2012

Members received a report updating them on the current position in relation to S106 agreements.

Resolved - That the report be noted

The meeting, which commenced at 7.00 pm, closed at 7.35 pm.

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