# Report of the Head of Planning, Sport and Green Spaces

Address 44 DERWENT DRIVE HAYES

**Development:** Single storey rear extension

LBH Ref Nos: 6810/APP/2014/411

**Drawing Nos:** Location Plan to Scale 1:1250

JAN/14/07A JAN/14/07

Date Plans Received: 06/02/2014 Date(s) of Amendment(s):

Date Application Valid: 18/02/2014

#### 1. CONSIDERATIONS

# 1.1 Site and Locality

The application property comprises of a semi-detached property located on the eastern side of Derwent Drive. The property is constructed from pebbledash render under a hipped roof. A single storey flat roofed extension has been previously added to the rear. A shared driveway runs between the flank walls of numbers 44 and 46 Derwent Drive. A detached outbuilding has been erected along the rear boundary of the site which was recently the subject of an enforcement investigation and found to be permitted development.

The site is located within a Developed Area, as identified in the Policies of the Hillingdon Local Plan (November 2012).

# 1.2 Proposed Scheme

The application seeks planning permission for a single storey rear extension to extend the existing rear extension by 0.6m to a total projection of 3.6m The extension would be finished with a flat roof to match that on the existing extension at a height of 3m.

Ward Councillor: Requests that the application is reported to the Planning Committee.

# 1.3 Relevant Planning History

6810/APP/2013/3049 44 Derwent Drive Hayes

Erection of a single storey rear extension which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 6 metres, for which the maximum height would be 3 metres, and for which the height of the eaves would be 2.8 metres

**Decision Date:** 19-11-2013 Refused **Appeal:** 

6810/APP/2013/3561 44 Derwent Drive Hayes

Erection of a single storey rear extension, which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 6 metres, for which the maximum height would be 3 metres, and for which the height of the eaves would be 2.8 metres

**Decision Date:** 30-12-2013 Refused **Appeal:** 

# **Comment on Planning History**

Application reference 6810/APP/2013/3561 for the erection of a single storey rear extension, which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 6 metres, for which the maximum height would be 3 metres, and for which the height of the eaves would be 2.8 metres was refused for the following reason:

The proposed development does not constitute permitted development by virtue of the provisions of Schedule 2, Part 1, Class A of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 as amended by the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Amendment) (England) Order 2013, as the proposed development would unduly detract from the amenities of the adjoining occupier, No.42 Derwent Drive by reason of visual intrusion, overdomination, loss of daylight, loss of sunlight and loss of outlook.

Application reference 6810/APP/2013/3049 for the erection of a single storey rear extension which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 6 metres, for which the maximum height would be 3 metres, and for which the height of the eaves would be 2.8 metres was refused for the following reason:-

The proposed development does not constitute permitted development by virtue of the provisions of Schedule 2, Part 1, Class A of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 as amended by the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Amendment) (England) Order 2013, as the proposed development would unduly detract from the amenities of the adjoining occupier, No.42 Derwent Drive by reason of visual intrusion, overdomination, loss of daylight, loss of sunlight and loss of outlook.

#### 2. Advertisement and Site Notice

2.1 Advertisement Expiry Date:- Not applicable

2.2 Site Notice Expiry Date:- Not applicable

#### 3. Comments on Public Consultations

4 neighbouring properties were consulted by letter dated 19.2.14. A site notice was also displayed to the front of the site which expired on 21.3.14. 1 letter of comment has been received which states:

Although they have reduced the size of their build, I feel that the fact they will be using brick as the finish will ruin the look of the surrounding area. I would request that they use pebble dash on the back on their garage facing my property. This would reduce the eyesore of a view when considering brick. On the plans they have clearly listed pebble dash but not executed this to follow the plan. I can still see brick.

officer note: It is understood that the comments relate to the outbuilding to the rear of the site and not the proposed extension.

# 4. UDP / LDF Designation and London Plan

The following UDP Policies are considered relevant to the application:-

# Part 1 Policies:

PT1.BE1 (2012) Built Environment

#### Part 2 Policies:

AM14	New development and car parking standards.		
BE13	New development must harmonise with the existing street scene.		
BE15	Alterations and extensions to existing buildings		
BE19	New development must improve or complement the character of the area.		
BE20	Daylight and sunlight considerations.		
BE21	Siting, bulk and proximity of new buildings/extensions.		
BE23	Requires the provision of adequate amenity space.		
BE24	Requires new development to ensure adequate levels of privacy to neighbours.		
HDAS-EXT	Residential Extensions, Hillingdon Design & Access Statement, Supplementary Planning Document, adopted December 2008		
LPP 3.5	(2011) Quality and design of housing developments		

#### 5. MAIN PLANNING ISSUES

The main considerations are the design and impact on the character of the existing property, the impact upon the amenities of adjoining occupiers, the reduction in size of the rear garden and car parking provision.

Policy BE1 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part One - Strategic Policies (November 2012) requires all new development to maintain the quality of the built environment including providing high quality urban design. Furthermore policies BE13 and BE15 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two - Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) resist any development which would fail to harmonise with the existing street scene or would fail to safeguard the design of existing and adjoining sites.

Paragraph 3.3 of the HDAS states that single storey rear extensions proposed on semidetached houses with a plot measuring 5m wide or more should be no more than 3.6m deep. Likewise paragraph 3.7 states that such extensions should be no more than 3m in height with a flat roof. This is to ensure that the extension appears subordinate to the main house.

Both in terms of its height and depth, the proposal would accord with the above criteria and therefore would appear subordinate to the main property. Moreover, the extension would not be visible from the street and would be constructed using matching materials. As a result it is considered that it would not have a negative impact upon the visual amenity of the site or the surrounding area in compliance with Local Plan policies BE1,BE13 and BE15.

The neighbouring dwellings which flank the application site, Nos.42 and 46 Derwent Drive have both been extended by single storey rear extensions. The proposed extension would not breach the 45 degree guideline from either neighbour and the compliant height and

depth restrictions as recommended above means that the extension would not harm the amenity of nearby residents through loss of light or loss of outlook. The proposed development would not have any windows on the side elevations which would prevent overlooking and loss of privacy to adjoining occupiers. Therefore, it is considered that the proposed development would not constitute an un-neighbourly form of development in compliance with Policies BE19, BE20, BE21 and BE24 of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two -Saved UDP Policies (November 2012).

It is considered that all the proposed habitable rooms, and those altered by the extension, would maintain an adequate outlook and source of natural light, therefore complying with Policy 3.5 of the London Plan (2011).

In terms of the garden area, in excess of 200m2 of rear private garden is to be retained to provide adequate amenity space for a three bedroom dwelling and in excess of the paragraph 3.13 HDAS requirement. The proposal would be in accordance with Policy BE23 of the Hillingdon Local Plan Part 2.

The parking provision would remain unaffected by the proposal.

The application is recommended for approval.

# 6. RECOMMENDATION

# APPROVAL subject to the following:

# 1 HO1 Time Limit

The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

#### **REASON**

To comply with Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

# **2** HO2 Accordance with approved

The development hereby permitted shall not be carried out except in complete accordance with the details shown on the submitted plans, numbers JAN/14/07 and JAN/14/07A.

#### **REASON**

To ensure the development complies with the provisions of the Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012) and the London Plan (July 2011).

#### 3 HO4 Materials

The materials to be used in the construction of the external surfaces of the development hereby permitted shall match those used in the existing building and shall thereafter be retained as such.

# **REASON**

To safeguard the visual amenities of the area and to ensure that the proposed development does not have an adverse effect upon the appearance of the existing building in accordance with Policy BE15 Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP

# Policies (November 2012)

#### 4 HO5 No additional windows or doors

Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 (or any order revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification), no additional windows, doors or other openings shall be constructed in the walls or roof slopes of the development hereby approved facing 42 or 46 Derwent Drive.

#### REASON

To prevent overlooking to adjoining properties in accordance with policy BE24 Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012).

# 5 HO7 No roof gardens

Access to the flat roof over the extension hereby approved shall be for maintenance or emergency purposes only and the flat roof shall not be used as a roof garden, terrace, balcony, patio or similar amenity area.

#### REASON

To prevent overlooking to adjoining properties in accordance with policy BE24 Hillingdon Local Plan: Part Two Saved UDP Policies (November 2012).

#### **INFORMATIVES**

- On this decision notice policies from the Councils Local Plan: Part 1 Strategic Policies appear first, then relevant saved policies (referred to as policies from the Hillingdon Unitary Development Plan Saved Policies September 2007), then London Plan Policies. On the 8th November 2012 Hillingdon's Full Council agreed the adoption of the Councils Local Plan: Part 1 Strategic Policies. Appendix 5 of this explains which saved policies from the old Unitary Development (which was subject to a direction from Secretary of State in September 2007 agreeing that the policies were 'saved') still apply for development control decisions.
- The Council will recover from the applicant the cost of highway and footway repairs, including damage to grass verges.

Care should be taken during the building works hereby approved to ensure no damage occurs to the verge or footpaths during construction. Vehicles delivering materials to this development shall not override or cause damage to the public footway. Any damage will require to be made good to the satisfaction of the Council and at the applicant's expense.

For further information and advice contact - Highways Maintenance Operations, Central Depot - Block K, Harlington Road Depot, 128 Harlington Road, Hillingdon, Middlesex, UB3 3EU (Tel: 01895 277524).

#### Standard Informatives

The decision to GRANT planning permission has been taken having regard to all relevant planning legislation, regulations, guidance, circulars and Council policies, including The Human Rights Act (1998) (HRA 1998) which makes it unlawful for the Council to act incompatibly with Convention rights, specifically

Article 6 (right to a fair hearing); Article 8 (right to respect for private and family life); Article 1 of the First Protocol (protection of property) and Article 14 (prohibition of discrimination).

The decision to GRANT planning permission has been taken having regard to the policies and proposals in the Hillingdon Unitary Development Plan Saved Policies (September 2007) as incorporated into the Hillingdon Local Plan (2012) set out below, including Supplementary Planning Guidance, and to all relevant material considerations, including the London Plan (July 2011) and national guidance.

#### Part 1 Policies:

PT	1.BE1	(2012) Built Environment	
Part 2 Policies:			
AN	M14	New development and car parking standards.	
BE	Ξ13	New development must harmonise with the existing street scene.	
BE	E15	Alterations and extensions to existing buildings	
BE	Ξ19	New development must improve or complement the character of the area.	
BE	<b>E20</b>	Daylight and sunlight considerations.	
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- You are advised this permission is based on the dimensions provided on the approved drawings as numbered above. The development hereby approved must be constructed precisely in accordance with the approved drawings. Any deviation from these drawings requires the written consent of the Local Planning Authority.
- You are advised that if any part of the development hereby permitted encroaches by either its roof, walls, eaves, gutters, or foundations, then a new planning application will have to be submitted. This planning permission is not valid for a development that results in any form of encroachment.
- Your attention is drawn to the need to comply with the relevant provisions of the Building Regulations, the Building Acts and other related legislation. These cover such works as the demolition of existing buildings, the erection of a new building or structure, the extension or alteration to a building, change of use of buildings, installation of services, underpinning works, and fire safety/means of escape works. Notice of intention to demolish existing buildings must be given to the Council's Building Control Service at least 6 weeks before work starts. A

completed application form together with detailed plans must be submitted for approval before any building work is commenced. For further information and advice, contact - Planning, Environment and Community Services, Building Control.

3N/01 Civic Centre, Uxbridge (Telephone 01895 250804 / 805 / 808).

- You have been granted planning permission to build a residential extension. When undertaking demolition and/or building work, please be considerate to your neighbours and do not undertake work in the early morning or late at night or at any time on Sundays or Bank Holidays. Furthermore, please ensure that all vehicles associated with the construction of the development hereby approved are properly washed and cleaned to prevent the passage of mud and dirt onto the adjoining highway. You are advised that the Council does have formal powers to control noise and nuisance under The Control of Pollution Act 1974, the Clean Air Acts and other relevant legislation. For further information and advice, please contact Environmental Protection Unit, 4W/04, Civic Centre, High Street, Uxbridge, UB8 1UW (Tel. 01895 250190).
- The Party Wall Act 1996 requires a building owner to notify, and obtain formal agreement from, any adjoining owner, where the building owner proposes to:
  - carry out work to an existing party wall;
  - build on the boundary with a neighbouring property;
  - in some circumstances, carry out groundworks within 6 metres of an adjoining building.

Notification and agreements under this Act are the responsibility of the building owner and are quite separate from Building Regulations, or Planning Controls. The Building Control Service will assume that an applicant has obtained any necessary agreements with the adjoining owner, and nothing said or implied by the Council should be taken as removing the necessity for the building owner to comply fully with the Party Wall Act. Further information and advice is to be found in "the Party Walls etc. Act 1996 - explanatory booklet" published by the ODPM, available free of charge from the Planning, Environment and Community Services Reception, Civic Centre, Uxbridge, UB8 1UW.

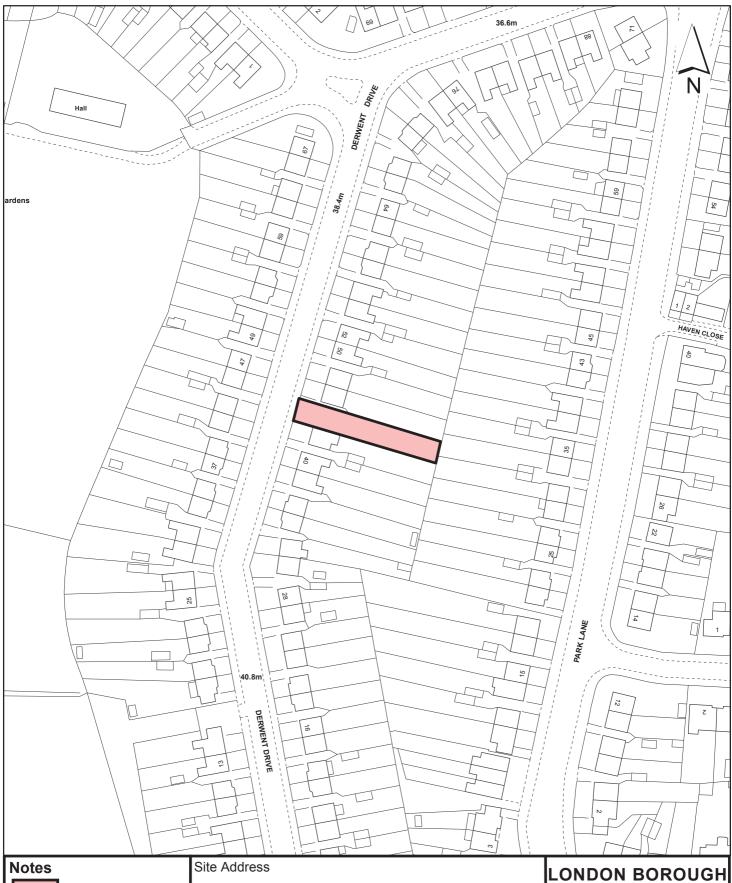
- Your attention is drawn to the fact that the planning permission does not override property rights and any ancient rights of light that may exist. This permission does not empower you to enter onto land not in your ownership without the specific consent of the owner. If you require further information or advice, you should consult a solicitor.
- 9 Nuisance from demolition and construction works is subject to control under The Control of Pollution Act 1974, the Clean Air Acts and other related legislation. In particular, you should ensure that the following are complied with: -
  - A) Demolition and construction works should only be carried out between the hours of 08.00 hours and 18.00 hours Monday to Friday and between the hours of 08.00 hours and 13.00 hours on Saturday. No works shall be carried out on Sundays Bank and Public Holidays.
  - B) All noise generated during such works should be controlled in compliance with British Standard Code of Practice BS 5228: 1984.

- C) The elimination of the release of dust or odours that could create a public health nuisance.
- D) No bonfires that create dark smoke or nuisance to local residents.

You are advised to consult the Council's Environmental Protection Unit, 3S/02, Civic Centre, High Street, Uxbridge, UB8 1UW (Tel.01895 277401) or to seek prior approval under Section 61 of the Control of Pollution Act if you anticipate any difficulty in carrying out construction other than within the normal working hours set out in (A) above, and by means that would minimise disturbance to adjoining premises.

- You are advised that care should be taken during the building works hereby approved to avoid spillage of mud, soil or related building materials onto the pavement or public highway. You are further advised that failure to take appropriate steps to avoid spillage or adequately clear it away could result in action being taken under the Highways Act.
- To promote the development of sustainable building design and construction methods, you are encouraged to investigate the use of renewable energy resources which do not produce any extra carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions, including solar, geothermal and fuel cell systems, and use of high quality insulation.
- You are advised that care should be taken during the building works hereby approved to ensure no damage occurs to the verge or footpaths during construction. Vehicles delivering materials to this development shall not override or cause damage to the public footway. Any damage will require to be made good to the satisfaction of the Council and at the applicant's expense. For further information and advice contact Highways Maintenance Operations, Central Depot Block K, Harlington Road Depot, 128 Harlington Road, Hillingdon, Middlesex, UB3 3EU (Tel: 01895 277524).

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