

MEETING OF THE CONSERVATION ADVISORY PANEL

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 20 OCTOBER 2021

TIME: 5:15 pm

PLACE: City Hall, 115 Charles Street, Leicester, LE1 1FZ

Members of the Panel

R. Gill (Chair), R. Lawrence (Vice Chair)

Elected Member Position - Cllr Susan Barton

M. Richardson - Royal Town Planning Institute

R. Allsop - Leicester Civic Society

D. Martin
 Leicestershire and Rutland Gardens Trust
 N. Feldmann
 Leicestershire and Rutland Society of Architects

L. Gonsalves - Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors

P. Ellis - Victorian Society

C. Hossack - Leicestershire Industrial History Society

S. Hartshorne - 20th Century Society

N. Stacey - Leicester School of Architecture

C. Jordan - Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society

S. Bird - Diocesan Advisory Committee

M. Taylor - Institute of Historic Building Conservation

M. Davies, C. Laughton - Persons having appropriate specialist knowledge in respect of the terms of reference of the Working Party

Members of the panel are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business listed overleaf.

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AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to declare any interests they may have in the business to be discussed.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Appendix A

The Minutes of the meeting held on 18th August are attached and the Panel is asked to confirm them as a correct record.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

5. CURRENT DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

Appendix B

The Director of Planning, Development and Transportation submits a report on planning applications received for consideration by the Panel.

6. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

To consider such other business as, in the opinion of the Chair ought, by reason of special circumstances, to be considered urgently.

Members are asked to inform the Chair or Conservation Team in advance of the meeting if they have urgent business that they wish to be considered.



Minutes of the Meeting of the CONSERVATION ADVISORY PANEL HELD ON Wednesday, 18 August 2021

Meeting Started 5:15 pm

Attendees

R. Gill (Chair), R. Lawrence (Vice Chair), M. Richardson (RTPI), P. Ellis (VS), N Feldmann (LRSA), S. Hartshorne (TCS), S. Bird (DAC), C. Hossack (LIHS), M. Taylor (IHBC), S. Eppel (LCS), C. Jordan (LAHS), D. Martin (LRGT)

G Butterworth (LCC)

Presenting Officers

P. Burbicka (LCC), J. Webber (LCC)

177. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

C. Laughton, L. Gonsalves (RICS)

178. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

179. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Panel agreed the notes.

180. CURRENT DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

A) 170 London Road Planning Application 20211424 and 20211425

Change of use from offices (Class E) to 6 student flats (sui generis); alterations

Retrospective application for internal and external alterations to Grade II Listed Building to enable change of use from offices (Class E) to 6 student flats (Sui generis)

The members commented on the clear architectural interest and quality of the Grade II Listed building and agreed that the harm to the building caused by the unauthorised works has been considerable. They expressed considerable

concerns in relation to the level of detail and information submitted, considered insufficient considering the level of damage and alterations proposed, including no methodology of reinstatement works proposed to rectify the harm. The removal of the staircase to the rear of the property was considered as particularly problematic. The creation of a toilet cubicle on top of the main staircase was considered unacceptable, based on its impact on the original floorplan and legibility of the space.

Otherwise, the members agreed that the internal and external alterations proposed cannot be adequately accessed in the context of the unauthorised development that has taken place. They requested that all damage is rectified prior to any application for change of use and internal & external alterations to the Grade II Listed building.

OBJECTIONS

B) Lee Circle, City Industrial Units Planning Application 20211339

Demolition of buildings; Construction of a 5 and 6 storey building comprising of 93 flats (15 x studios, 45 x 1 bed, 33 x 2 bed); substation; communal amenity space and facilities

The members agreed that the scheme is an improvement to the previous submission. They commended the reinstatement of the arched features to the ground floor but noted that these could be better highlighted, for example through a fenestration design that responded better to the framing provided. The general scale of the building was considered acceptable.

It was noted again that the visuals provided by the applicant could be better in terms of presenting the building in context. It was noted that some of the presented detailing could be improved, including the top storey cladding and UPVC windows across the building. More information on framing to glazing and materials was requested.

MORE INFORMATION / SEEK AMENDMENTS

C) 20 St Peter's Lane, Former Debenhams Highcross Planning Application <u>20210461</u>

Demolition of vacant retail store and the removal of existing car parking spaces; construction of 12, 11 and 8 storey building comprising commercial floorspace on lower and upper ground floor (Class E) and 305 residential units (Class C3); associated access, parking, cycle parking, refuse and amenity landscaping. (Amended 23/7/2021)

The scheme was considered to be a significant improvement to the previous submission in terms of scale, massing and elevational treatments. The

members commented on the fitting choice of the brickwork, improved window articulation and generally improved appearance, in particular when viewed from Mansfield Street. Although aspects of the height were considered to be at a challenging scale and a view would be lost of the Cathedral spire, the reduced quantum of development was deemed to be acceptable.

The impact on the Church Gate Conservation Area and the Grade II Listed buildings in close proximity to the site was considered to be acceptable on balance, with no objections raised.

NO OBJECTIONS

D) Abbey Park Road, Land North East of River Soar Bridge Planning Application 20211869

Construction of new pedestrian and cycle footbridge across the River Soar to North of road bridge (Sui Generis)

While the member have not objected to the principle of the scheme, they considered the current design of the bridge to be unacceptable in its context, failing to preserve the setting of the Grade II Listed asset.

The members criticised the proposed bridge as overtly bulky and dominant in relation to the existing bridge. Its height relative to the existing bridge parapet was noted and judged to be excessive. It was agreed that a more light-weight and subservient alternative should be explored, with particular focus on lowering the height of the parapet.

SEEK AMENDMENTS

E) 2 Ratcliffe Road Planning Application 20211767

Demolition of single-storey garage and conservatory; construction of a two storey extension at rear of house (Class C3)

The members had no objections to the principle of loss of the existing single storey extensions, considered to be of negligible heritage interest in their own right. However, the design of the proposed two-storey extension were criticised.

The members were comfortable with the design of the ground floor of the proposed extension, considered an improvement to the existing extension and to respond well to the host building. However, there were concerns with the first storey of the proposed extension in terms of its detailing and relationship to the host building. The current design was considered to have some merit, but had an overly dominant impact on the host building. Members considered this could be partially addressed by the addition of a 'light weight link' between the

existing building and the new first floor extension. Such a design revision should consider the setting of the existing chimneystack. There were a range of views expressed on the wider element, with some concern expressed with the use of render. A suggestion was made that the wider glazing at first floor level, with stronger horizontal emphasis, did not work well and that the fenestration should be broken down more with the addition of more mullions.

SEEK AMENDMENTS

The following applications were reported for Members' information but no additional comments were made.

Further details on the cases below can be found by typing the reference number into:

http://rcweb.leicester.gov.uk/planning/onlineguery/mainSearch.aspx

8 Church Road Planning Application 20211306

Construction of single storey extension at front, single storey extension at rear, two rooflight at rear; notification of proposed felling of two (2) trees in Evington Village conservation area; alterations to house (Class C3).

57 Knighton Drive Planning Application 20211544

Construction of single storey extension at rear of house (Class C3); and alterations

86-92 Regent Road, Enkalon House, Existing base station Planning Application 20211495

Removal of 6 antennas; installation of 12 replacement antennas; 2 x 300mm dishes; 2 x 600mm dishes; ancillary development

25 Springfield Road Planning Application 20211090

Construction of single storey extension at side of house (Class C3)

2 Colton Square Planning Application 20211422

Internal alterations to Grade II listed building

5 Fox Lane

Planning Application 20211359

Change of use on first and second floors from cafe (Class E) to three self-contained flats (2x 1bed, 1x 2bed) (Class C3); alterations

University Road Planning Application 20211328

Installation of 20m high monopole; associated ancillary works

Loughborough Road, Outdoor Pursuits Centre Planning Application 20211650

Installation of a 20m lattice tower supporting six (6) antennas; ancillary development

58 Stretton Road Planning Application 20211389

Proposed change of use from house in multiple occupation (6 bed) (Class C4) to a House in multiple occupation for more than six people (7 bed) (Sui Generis)

Aikman Avenue Planning Application 20211690

Installation of 20m high monopole; ancillary works.

60 Charles Street, Midland House Planning Application 20211635

Notification of proposed installation of assorted steelwork to support 6 antenna apertures; 6 cabinets; 4 dishes; ancillary works

201 Knighton Road, Cradock Arms Planning Application 20210985

Construction of outbuilding and installation of decking to external seating area of public house (Sui Generis); felling of one tree

19 East Avenue Planning Application 20211792

Change of use from house in multiple occupation (10 beds) (Class C4) to seven flats (6 \times 1 bed, 1 \times 2 bed) (Class C3); demolition of the existing outbuilding

22-24 Pocklingtons Walk Planning Application 20211412

Installation of ventilation flue at rear of restaurant (Class E)

Number 117 And A Half Loughborough Road, The Royal Air Forces Association
Planning Application 20211743

Change of use from Offices (Class E) to become an extension to Darul Uloom School (Class F1).

Newarke Street, Multi Storey Car Park Planning Application 20211400

Installation of solar PV panels and canopies to roof of carpark (Sui Generis)

38 Bruce Street Planning Application 20211439

Construction of dormer extensions at front and rear; single storey extension at rear of house (Class C3); alterations

28 Mill Hill Lane
Planning Application 20211314

Change of use from house (Class C3) to two flats (2 x 1 bed) (Class C3); construction of single storey extension at rear; alterations

3 Avenue Road Planning Application 20210887

Change of use from garage (Class C3) to communal sitting area for five flats (Class C3)

105 London Road Planning Application 20211009

Installation of shopfront and alterations to shop (Class E).

2 Disraeli Street Planning Application 20211487

Demolition of buildings and chimney; construction of 19 dwellings (13 x 2 bed, 6 x 4 bed) (Class C3); substation; associated parking and landscaping

1 St James Road Planning Application 20211846

Part demolition at rear; change of use from bridge club (Class F2) on ground floor and two flats (2x1 bed) on first and second floors (Class C3) to house in multiple occupation for more than 6 persons (9 bedroom) (Sui Generis); bin and bike store at rear

Phoenix Square, 4 Midland Street / 11 Morledge Street / 9 Burton Street Planning Application 20211827

Removal of existing external materials (brick, render, timber, rainwater goods and cladding panels) and installation of replacement materials to walls and balconies on all elevations of the building

NEXT MEETING - Wednesday 15th September 2021

Meeting Ended - 19:15



APPENDIX B

CONSERVATION ADVISORY PANEL

20th October 2021

CURRENT DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

A) Charter Street, Kapital Buildings Planning Application 20200293

Demolition of industrial building (Class B1/B2). Construction of six storey hotel with 110 bedrooms (Class C1). Change of use from industrial (Class B1/B2) and single storey roof top extension to mixed use to include children's play area, bowling alley, conference/banqueting suite, gym (Class E) and 14 x 2 bed residential/live work units. Car parking. (amended plans) (s106 agreement).

B) 115 Aylestone Road Planning Application 20211974

Construction of 3, 5 and 6 storey purpose-built student accommodation comprising student studios and cluster flats (student bedrooms) (Sui Generis); communal area; landscaping and parking

C) Aylestone Road, Gas Site Planning Application 20212095

Demolition of single storey office building (Class E); construction of two storey office building (Class E); alterations

The following applications are reported for Members' information and will not be presented unless a specific request is made by 2.00pm on Monday the 18th October 2021. Please contact Justin Webber (4544638) or Paula Burbicka (4541703).

Further details on the cases below can be found by typing the reference number into: http://rcweb.leicester.gov.uk/planning/onlineguery/mainSearch.aspx

6 East Gates, Unit SU64 20211805

Installation of one internally illuminated fascia sign and one internally illuminated projecting sign to shop (Class E)

213 Mere Road 20211964

Construction of single storey extension at rear of house (Class C3)

Main Street, Humberstone, Humberstone Infant Academy 20211417

Demolition of single storey extension; construction of single storey extension to school; installation of replacement timber windows with uPVC (Class F.1) (Amended plans received 12/07/2021)

Jubilee Square 20211768

Installation of temporary building and plant for use as ice rink on public square

Falmouth Road, Carrick Point, Existing Base Station 20211991

Installation of 6 no. replacement antennas and 6 no. new antennas; ancillary development

St Hugh's Church, Sturdee Road 20212020

Installation of 6 no. replacement antennas and 12 no. new antennas; ancillary development

The Sanctuary Workshops, 9 Sanvey Lane 20211712

Part change of use of place of worship, hall and workshop (Class F1) to create one self-contained flat (Class C3); reinstatement of front stonewall boundary; alterations

Gipsy Lane, Towers Hospital 20211376

Minor internal and external alterations (plots 94-96), installation of 10 electrical vehicle charging stations and alterations to site layout

Highcross Street, Great Central Street and All Highcross Street, Great Central Street and All Saints Open 20210523

Construction of 8 storey student accommodation to provide 53 flats providing 210 bedspaces (18 x studio, 18 x 5 bed, 17 x 6 bed) (Sui Generis) with communal ancillary space and roof terrace. (Amended plans)

St Augustine Road, former car park 20211944

RETENTION OF 3 TEMPORARY TEACHING BLOCKS, HARD PLAY AREAS, CYCLE PARKING AND STAFF CAR PARK

68 High Street 20211629

Retrospective application for change of use from retail (Class E) with ancillary offices to cafe/bar (Class E) and performing arts venue (Sui Generis) with ancillary offices

6 East Gates, Unit SU64, Highcross Shopping Centre 20211952

Alterations to shop front of ground floor commercial unit (Class E)

4 St Martins 20211658

Internal and external alterations to Grade II listed building including installaton of various signages and awnings

7-9 Market Place 20211820

External alterations to Grade II Listed building

6 Bath Street, Bulls Head 20211901

Retrospective application for change of use from drinking establishment (Sui Generis) to four self-contained flats (2x2 bed, 2x1bed); installation of timber windows and doors and associated alterations (Class C3)

32-40 Market Street, The Gresham 20211815

Installation of 12 internally illuminated signs; 6 non-iluminated signs; and 10 internally illuminated projecting signs to building

32-40 Market Street, The Gresham 20211819

External alterations to Grade II Listed Building for installation of various signage

45 Sanvey Lane 20211858

Construction of single storey extension at rear of house (Class C3); alterations

8 Seymour Street 20211931

Installation of replacement windows to house (Class C3); alterations

8 Knighton Road 20211903

Construction of first storey extension at side; two rooflights at rear of house (Class C3); alterations

12 Severn Street 20211950

Installation of replacement timber windows to front; replacement white upvc double glazed windows to side and windows and door to rear of house (Class C3)

14 Market Street 20211803

Change of use from retail with ancillary storage (Class E) to cafe (Class E) and two self-contained flats (Class C3) (1 \times 2 bed & 1 \times studio); installation of shopfront; ventilation flue at rear; alterations

56 Dumbleton Avenue 20212024

Construction of two storey extension at side and single storey extension at rear of house (Class C3); alterations

31 Granby Street 20211997

Internal and external alterations to Grade II* Listed Building

Upperton Road 20212318

Installation of 20m high telecommunications monopole; associated works

305 Uppingham Road 20211902

Construction of dwelling house (1x4bed) to rear of property (Class C3)

153-155 London Road & Rear Coach House 20211630

Change of use of ground floor from shop (Class E) to mixed use restaurant and takeaway; change of use of first and second floor HiMOs (2x4 bed) (Class C4) to mixed use restaurant/takeaway (Class E/Sui Generis); change of use of outbuilding from hairdressers (Class E) to mixed use restaurant/takeaway; construction of single storey extension at rear; installation of two ventilation flues to the rear; reconfiguration of external staircase at rear; alterations

225 Loughborough Road 20212083

Construction of single storey extension at rear; removal of chimney and installation of four roof lights at rear of house (Class C3); alterations

Jubilee Square 20212015

Installation of 35m high temporary Ferris Wheel on Public Square

314 Welford Road 20211661

Change of use of ground floor office (Class E) and first floor self-contained flat (Class C3) to Social Club/Bar on ground floor and ancillary living accommodation on first floor (Sui Generis)

28 Eastfield Road 20212003

Construction of a single storey extension at side and rear; one rooflight at rear of house (Class C3); alterations

2 Springfield Road, Springfield House 20212054

Internal and external alterations to Grade II listed building to facilitate change of use from house to residential care home

2 Springfield Road, Springfield House 20212053

Change of use from dwelling house (Class C3) to residential care home (Class C2); internal and external alterations

Gipsy Lane, Towers Hospital 20211376

Minor internal and external alterations (plots 94-96), installation of 10 electrical vehicle charging stations and alterations to site layout

53 New Walk, New Walk Museum 20212156

Installation of Louvres and ventilation system to windows on side and rear of museum (Class F1); External alterations

53 New Walk, New Walk Museum 20212157

Internal and external alterations to Grade II listed building

123 London Road, The Lansdowne 20212148

Installation of extendable awning above window height; 3D panels to form arch and exterior lights to columns (Class E); and colour render to walls

228 Fosse Road South 20212082

Proposed change of use from garage to flat (Class C3); construction of single storey extension to garage at rear; construction of detached single storey office annexe at rear of house (Class C3); alterations

1 Pocklingtons Walk Planning Application 20210537

Internal and external alterations to Grade II listed building to facilitate partial conversion to ten flats