

## **MEETING OF THE CONSERVATION ADVISORY PANEL**

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER 2022

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 - 20<sup>th</sup> Century Society

C. Jordan - Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society

S. Bird - Diocesan Advisory Committee

M. Taylor - Institute of Historic Building Conservation

M. Davies - De Montfort University

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 15<sup>th</sup> June 2022 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, 15 June 2022

### Meeting Started 5:15 pm

#### **Attendees**

R. Gill (Chair), R. Lawrence (Vice Chair), Cllr S. Barton, N. Feldmann (LRSA), R. Allsop (LCS), P. Ellis (VS), C. Hossack (LHIS), M. Taylor (IHBC) S. Hartshorne (TCS), M. Richardson (RTPI), C. Jordan (LHAS), L. Gonsalves (RICS)

## **Presenting Officers**

J. Webber (LCC)

S. Peppin-Vaughan (LCC)

## 201. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

S. Bird (DAC), C. Laughton, D. Martin (LRGT), M. Davies (DMU)

#### 202. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

## 203. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Panel agreed the notes.

#### 204. CURRENT DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

A) Burleys Way, Corah Factory Site Planning Application 20220709

Hybrid planning application comprising: Full planning application for the demolition of existing buildings on site (excluding 2 chimneys and the façade of the 1865 OTB building), the retention and alteration of the southern façade of the 1865 building (OTB) the erection of new building to the rear to provide residential (Use Class C3) accommodation and/or commercial uses (Use Class E and F2). Outline planning application with all matters reserved for the erection of buildings to provide up to 1,143 dwellings (Classes C2 and C3), commercial uses (Classes E, F2 and Sui generis (public houses, wine bars, drinking establishments and hot food takeaways)), hotel (Use Class C1), a multi-storey car park and a pedestrian footbridge with associated landscaping, public realm and

#### associated infrastructure.

The panel considered the Corah complex was an historically important site within the city that was a visual reminder of the city's manufacturing past and the particularly significant socio-economic role played by the company on a national scale. They contended that the frontage to the ring road had landmark quality and aspects of the site had potential to underpin a high-quality regeneration scheme between the city centre and Abbey Park.

The panel felt that a large number of the buildings were of distinctive architectural quality and the condition reports showed many were in active use and had the structural integrity for re-use, which would be the preferred approach. It was accepted that some elements of demolition would likely be necessary but that there was no justification for the wholesale demolition of the wider site, something which would cause significant harm to the historic visual and cultural landscape of the city.

The panel welcomed the retention of the chimneys in the northern part of the site but did not feel these had the same significance to the city as other parts of the building, particularly the strong imposing façade along Burleys Way. Their retention, along with other public art proposals, was considered token and not adequate for a site of this scale.

There was some discussion over the proposed outline elements with a feeling that some form of scale close to the canal could be supported. The panel considered Abbey Park to have an urban setting and that new development at is margins could be successfully delivered if of high-quality design. The lack of clarity over the design of the bridge element was raised, although the panel were generally comfortable with the principle of new access being provided here. However, the scale of the larger development proposed was considered unacceptable in terms of the setting of the Grade I Listed St Margaret's Church. Here it was felt that the 18-storey tower would be a harmful addition to the skyline and particularly harmful to the setting of the tower of St Margaret's Church, when viewed form Sanvey Gate which is a historic route.

In terms of the more detailed design for the original headquarters building of the textile company, the architectural response was considered to be poor, with the new rear elevation design not matching the quality of examples detailed in the design codes and other supporting documents. The lower quality of the detailed design gave concerns about the wider outline proposal in these terms but was also not considered acceptable as a response to the existing building form. The juxtaposition between the older elements and new was considered awkward, both in terms of materials and external detailing, but also in terms of floor levels not matching existing window openings. In addition, there were concerns raised about the cramped setting of the former headquarters building and the large scale of new buildings sitting closely to it – including the multistorey car park. This new development would overwhelm the setting of the partially retained structure and undermine its significance.

In conclusion, the panel considered that the development proposed was the

wrong approach for such a complex and historically rich site, with a new approach required that worked from the principle of contextually responsive design that sought to repurpose the higher quality structures and craft new development off and around them.

#### **OBJECTIONS**

B) 25-27 Lincoln Street; rear of Planning Application 20220699

Demolition of single storey warehouse at rear (Class B8); construction of single and two storey building with dormers to create 6 self contained flats (6x1 bed) (Class C3); repairs to boundary wall; works to trees within a conservation area

The panel considered that the existing building did not positively add to the amenity of the attractive street in the Conservation Area. However, they were critical of the design quality of the proposed new building, considering it to be bland and meanly detailed. They were concerned that is appeared to be taking precedent from the wrong visual cue and that it was mimicking the side elevation of the adjacent plot, rather than more dominant front elevations of the terrace the other side. It was argued that dormers are not an established feature of the street, and their introduction here would look incongruous, while there was concern over the limit root protection zone of the tree to the front. The panel considered that the design did not represent high quality and contextually responsive architecture and that it would fail to preserve the character of the Conservation Area.

#### **OBJECTIONS**

C) Bay Street, St Mathews Planning Application 20213051

## Installation of 18m telecommunications monopole; ancillary development

Although the panel agreed that the location had the potential to impact on the setting of the Grade I Listed Church nearby, the scale of the pole and its industrial setting meant any impact on the heritage asset would be limited.

#### **NO OBJECTIONS**

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/onlinequery/mainSearch.aspx

## 580 Gipsy Lane

## Planning Application 20212831

Change of use from house (3 bed) (Class C3) to two flats(1  $\times$  1 bed, 1  $\times$  2 bed) (Class C3); demolition of outbuilding; installation of 1.8 metre high fence; dropped kerb; alterations (new window at rear)

24 Waldale Drive Planning Application 20220443

Demolition of detached garage at rear; construction of single storey side and rear extension; construction of garden wall and alterations to garden levels at rear of house (Class C3)

32 Rendell Road Planning Application 20220613

Demolition of part of house; construction of part single, part two storey, part three storey extension and dormer extension at rear of house (Class C3)

202 London Road Planning Application 20220394

Demolition of existing single storey extension; construction of hardstanding at front; installation of dropped kerb at front; balcony and stars at rear of house (Class C3)

201 Loughborough Road Planning Application 20220242

Part change of use from place of worship (Class F1) to six flats (5 x 1 bed and 1 x 2 bed) (Class C3); construction of second floor extension at front; replacement doors and windows; 2m high timber fence; landscaping; associated car parking; bin and cycle storage; alterations

20 Ratcliffe Road Planning Application 20220691

Demolition of two outbuildings; replacement of front boundary and gates; construction of first floor extension at side; single storey extension at side and rear; two storey outbuilding at rear; replacement swimming pool enclosure; alterations to house (Class C3)

165 Mere Road Planning Application 20220748

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

Slater Street, Slater Primary School Planning Application 20220669

**External alterations to Grade II listed building** 

238 East Park Road Planning Application 20220593

Construction of first floor extension at rear of house (Class C3)

3 Turner Street Planning Application 20220684

Change of use from house to three self-contained flats

136-138 New Walk Planning Application 20220747

Installation of artificial grass and box planting at front and rear façade; timber fence at rear; repainting works at side and rear of existing student accommodation

11 Old Barn Walk, land of Planning Application 20220734

One non illuminated information hoarding

14 North Avenue, White House Planning Application 20220704

Internal and external works to and within curtilage of a GII listed building

7 Silver Walk Planning Application 20220826

Display of 2 x externally illuminated fascia signs and 1 x non-illuminated projecting sign at front and side of commercial premises (Class E)

7 Silver Walk Planning Application 20220825

Alterations and installation of extract duct at rear of commercial unit (Class E)

Hinckley Road, Western Park Open Air School Planning Application 20202119

Internal and external alterations to listed buildings to facilitate the change of use to office (use class E(g)(i)) and community building with cafe; demolition of two buildings and fire damaged elements; construction of three new elements/extensions; construction of bridge over watercourse; new internal driveway and external lighting (Amended plans 17.03.2022 and 25.03.2022).

116 Welford Road - H M Prison Planning Application 20220546

Internal and external alterations to Grade II listed building

2-6 Gallowtree Gate
Planning Application 20220823

Installation of two internally illuminated fascia signs; two internally illuminated projecting signs; one internally illuminated box sign

2-6 Gallowtree Gate Planning application 20220597

Alterations to shopfront; installation of uplighting fixtures to front and side; three new CCTV cameras to bank (Class E); alterations

University Road Planning application 20221094

Installation of 15m high telecommunications monopole; ancillary development

43-45 Granby Street Planning application 20220773

Installation of one static internally illuminated fascia sign; one internally illuminated projecting sign to front of betting shop (Sui Generis)

5 Market Street Planning application 20220399

Installation of four internally illuminated fascia signs; one internally illuminated projection sign; two internally illuminated roundel signs

109 Catherine Street, The Woolpack Planning application 20220811

Retrospective application for the retention of covered area to rear of car park

82-84 Humberstone Gate, 2-2A Wharf Street South Planning application 20220976

Retrospective application for Installation of non-illuminated fascia signs with non-illuminated letters and installation of plastic box fascia signs with black background and white and green non-illuminated letters; posters to be installed to the Humberstone Gate & Wharf Street South (Class E)

Installation of four internally illuminated fascia signs; one internally illuminated projection sign; two internally illuminated roundel signs

88 Woodgate, Car Wash Adjacent Planning application 20220654

Demolition of existing car wash (Sui Generis); Construction of a four storey and a part four and part five storey building comprising 42 flats (29 x 1bed, 13 x 2bed) (Class C3); associated parking and landscaping

**NEXT MEETING – Wednesday 13th July 2022** 

Meeting Ended - 18:50



## APPENDIX B

**CONSERVATION ADVISORY PANEL** 

14th September 2022

#### **CURRENT DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS**

A) 150 St Nicholas Circle, 1-7 and 13 Bath Lane Planning Application 20221210

Demolition of existing buildings, Construction of a 4, 7 and 9 storey building containing student accommodation (108 studios,  $2 \times 3$  bed cluster flats and 11 x 4 bed cluster flats) (Sui Generis), ground floor retail unit (Class E) and  $2 \times 1$  bed private rental apartments (Class C3), with associated communal, amenity and ancillary space.

The site is Adjacent to 10 & 12 Talbot Lane and Jewry Wall Museum (Grade II listed) and is within the Setting of Jewry Wall Scheduled Monument, St Nicholas Church (Grade I), West Bridge (Grade II) and the Castle Conservation Area.

B) 100 Church Gate Planning Application 20221320

Demolition of existing building and construction of residential development scheme comprising 14, 10, 8, 6 and 4 storeys, to provide 262 units (Use Class C3). Construction of car park spaces, amenity space, landscaping and associated works

The site is within the setting of St Margaret's Church (Grade I listed), 3 Darker Street, Timber Warehouse, Great Meeting House and Wall (Grade II listed) and within the Church Gate Conservation Area.

C) Marwood Road, Stocking Farm Neighbourhood Centre Planning Application 20221514

Demolition of existing buildings (including retail units, ancillary buildings, outdoor leisure facilities and boundary treatments). Construction of 50 residential dwellings (20x houses, 24x flats); conversion of Stocking Farm

Farmhouse to 6 supported living flats (Class C3); public open space. Extension and external alterations to existing shops and flats; new access road and associated highways infrastructure, parking, landscaping, drainage, boundary treatments, external lighting, associated works and new pedestrian crossing to Marwood Road.

The proposal includes and affects the setting on Stocking Farm Community Centre which is a Local Heritage Asset – LL/029

D) 16 Hotel Street The City Rooms
Planning Applications 20221303 & 20221304

Erection of a new self-supported first floor terrace at rear of building External alterations to Grade I listed building

The application relates to the City Rooms which is a Grade I listed building within the Market Place Conservation Area

The following applications are reported for Members' information and will not be presented unless a specific request is made by 2.00pm on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2022. Please contact Justin Webber (4544638).

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

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

19-21 Loseby Lane Planning Application 20221103

Change of use of first and second floors from commercial/business (Class E) to two self-contained flats (2 x 1 bed) (Class C3); construction of single and two storey extension at rear; alterations

Imperial Avenue, Fullhurst Community College Imperial Campus Planning Application 20221475

Construction of one storey building (Class F1)

107 Granby Street, Last Plantagenet Planning Application 20221211

Non-material amendment to planning permission 20201018: amendments to façades including louvre arrangement

19-21 Loseby Lane Planning Application 20221465

Retrospective application for installation of shopfront and replacement windows on first and second floors (Class E)

21-23 East Bond Street
Planning Application 20220615

Change of use of ground floor from retail (Class E) to casino (Sui Generis)

15 King Street Planning Application 20221224

Installation of awning at front of cafe (Class E)

1 King Street, Phoenix House Planning Application 20221112

Internal alterations to grade II listed building

113-117 London Road Planning Application 20212274

Demolition of rear single-storey extension; change of use from offices (Class E) to student accommodation (Sui Generis) (18 x studios, 4 x 1 bed); parking and bin store at rear; construction of bay window at front; two-storey extension at rear; two second floor infill extensions at rear; installation of solar panels at rear; alterations (amended plans received 08/07/2022)

Jubilee Square Planning Application 20221473

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

Jubilee Square Planning Application 20221473

Installation of 35m high temporary Ferris Wheel on public square

**61 Dunster Street** 

## Planning Application 20221483

Internal and external alterations to Grade II listed building

202 London Road Planning Application 20220394

Demolition of existing single storey extension; construction of single storey extension and hardstanding at front; installation of dropped kerb at front; balcony and stairs at rear; alterations to outbuilding at rear; alterations to house (Class C3)

1 Market Place, Corn Exchange Planning Application 20221436 & 20221435

External alterations to Grade II\* Listed building

Installation of two internally illuminated individual lettering signs; three externally illuminated fascia signs; two non-illuminated wall mounted signs; two internally illuminated wall mounted signs; four uplights

69 Market Place
Planning Application 20221321

Alterations to shop front (Class E)

2C Evington Road, The Bank/1 St Albans Road Planning Application 20221361

Installation of three internally illuminated fascia sign

4-6 New Street Planning Application 20221178 & 20221177

Internal and external alterations to Grade II listed building Change of use from offices (Class E) to 7 flats (3 x 2bed) (4 x 1 bed) (Class C3), relocation of existing fire escape, installation of rooflights,

49 Stoughton Road, land to rear Planning Application 20221271

Construction of two storey detached dwelling house (4 bed) (Class C3); associated access, parking & landscaping

# 122 London Road Planning Application 20221368

Installation of new shop front (Class E)

Hollybank Court,193 London Road Planning application 20221618

Upgrade of existing rooftop telecommunications equipment to comprise of 7 antennas; 4.6m tall equipment tower; and ancillary equipment

#### 2 Gainsford Road

Planning application 20221040 & 20221039

Internal and external alterations to Grade II Listed building; construction of single storey extension at rear of house (Class C3)

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

#### 22-24 Market Street

Planning application 20221282

Installation of new shop front; extension at rear to form new staircase; alterations (Class E)

# 294 Loughborough Road Planning application 20221421

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

# 48 Main Street, Evington Planning application 20221586

Installation of two rooflights at front; construction of dormers at rear of house (Class C3)

## 14 Salisbury Road

Planning application 20221382

Change of use from education facility (Class F1) to six flats (3  $\times$  1 bed, 1  $\times$  2 bed & 2  $\times$  studio); construction of first floor extension at rear; single storey extension at rear; alterations

170 London Road Planning Application 20211424

Change of use from offices (Class E) to 5 student flats (sui generis); alterations (Amended plans received 29/3/2022)

St Barnabas Library
Planning Application 20221717

Internal alterations to Grade II listed building

10-12 Gallowtree Gate Planning Application 20221213

Alterations and installation of extract duct, condensers and servicing deck with handrails at rear of commercial building (Class E)

34-36 Granby Street
Planning Application 20221611

Installation of one externally illuminated fascia sign; one externally illuminated projecting sign

7 East Street, YMCA Planning Application 20221400 & 20221401

**External alterations to Grade II Listed Building** 

Three internally illuminated fascia signs; one non illuminated sign above door; one non illuminated sign at second floor level and one internally illuminated projecting sign

80-84 High Street Planning Application 20221192

Installation of ventilation flue and four air condenser units at rear of building (Class E)

**Stoughton Lane, Natural House Planning Application 20221259** 

Construction of first floor extension and alterations to staircase (Class C3)

5 University Road Planning Application 20221561

Construction of first floor extension above existing garage (Class B1a)

2-4-6 Bonsall Street
Planning Application 20221581

Conversion of garage/workshop (Class B2) and first floor flat (1x5 bed) to form 4 self-contained flats (1x2 bed) (2x1 bed) (Class C3); Construction of front bay window at first floor; single and two storey extensions at rear; part demolition of garage/workshop; Alteration to roof, front and rear elevations.

123 London Road, The Lansdowne Planning Application 20221501 & 20221500

Retrospective application for the installation of canopies to front of building; alterations to shopfront (Class E)

56 Vicarage Lane, Humberstone, St Marys Vicarage, land adjacent Planning Application 20221608

Construction of one two-storey dwelling (1x5 bed) (Class C3); associated vehicular access and landscaping

46 Market Place, First and Second floors Planning Application 20221755

Discharge of conditions attached to planning permission 20192243: Condition 2 (Internal schedule of works), Condition 3 (External repair/alteration), Condition 4 (Windows and doors), Condition 5 (Ironmongery), Condition 6 (Insulation and fire precaution details) and Condition 7 (Structural works)

8 Market Place Planning Application 20212738

Removal and installation of internal walls on the first and second floor of Grade II Listed building

31 Springfield Road Planning Application 20221486

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

6, 6a & 6b Hotel Street, 4 Market Place, 6 Market Place, 8 Market Place Planning Application 20212737

Change of use of first, second & third floors from tattoo parlour and offices (6, 6a & 6b Hotel St), offices (4 Market Place), beauty salon (6 Market Place), offices and hairdressers (8 Market Place) to 14 flats (4 x studio, 8 x 1bed, 2 x 2bed) (Class C3); first floor extension to rear; alterations