

MEETING OF THE CONSERVATION ADVISORY PANEL

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 19 OCTOBER 2011

TIME: 5:15 pm

PLACE: THE OAK ROOM - GROUND FLOOR, TOWN HALL, TOWN

HALL SQUARE, LEICESTER.

Members of the Panel

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

Councillor Dr. S Barton, Councillor M Unsworth 4 Labour Vacancies, 1 Opposition Vacancy

Dr J Eaton - Ancient Monuments Society

Vacancy - Council for the Preservation of Rural England

Vacancy - English Heritage

Vacancy - Institution of Civil Engineers

D Trubshaw - Institute of Historic Building Conservation

J Clarke - The Landscape Institute
H. Eppel - Leicester Civic Society

Rev. R. Curtis
 D Martin
 M Goodhart
 Leicester Diocesan Advisory Committee
 Leicestershire and Rutland Gardens Trust
 Leicestershire and Rutland Society of Architects
 M. Johnson
 Leicestershire Archaeological & Historical Society

P Draper - Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors

S Pointer - Royal Town Planning Institute

S Britton - University of Leicester J Goodall - Victorian Society

D Lyne - Leicestershire Industrial History Society

M Elliott, Prof P Swallow, C Sawday, J Garrity, 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 21 September 2011 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, Planning and Economic Development submits a report on planning applications received for consideration by the Panel.

6. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Please note, the date of the next meeting is on Wednesday 23rd November, at 5.15pm, Oak Room. This is a change to the meeting previously scheduled to take place on the 30th November 2011.

7. 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 and Democratic Services Officer in advance of the meeting if they have urgent business that they wish to be considered.



Appendix A



Minutes of the Meeting of the CONSERVATION ADVISORY PANEL

Held: WEDNESDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 2011 at 5.15pm

PRESENT:

R. Lawrence –Vice Chair

Councillor Barton Councillor Unsworth

C. Sawday - Architect

C. Laughton - Person Having Appropriate Specialist Knowledge

P. Draper - Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors

J. Goodall - Victorian Society

M. Goodhart - Leicester and Rutland Society of Architects

P. Swallow - Person Having Appropriate Specialist Knowledge

D. Lyne - Leicestershire Industrial Society

Officers in Attendance:

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Jeremy Crooks - Planning Policy and Design Group, Regeneration and

Culture Department

Jenny Timothy - Senior Building Conservation Officer

Angie Smith - Democratic Services Officer

15. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Deborah Martin, Joan Garrity, Rev. Richard Curtis, Simon Britton, Herbert Eppel, Malcolm Elliott and Richard Gill.

16. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

17. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

that the minutes of the Conservation Advisory Panel meeting held on 17 August 2011 be confirmed as a correct record.

18. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Minute 12 (D) RAILWAY STATION LONDON ROAD and (E) CPH THURMASTON SITE, UPPERTON ROAD.

Forum Members asked is recommendations were incorporated on items D and E. The Senior Building Conservation Officer would investigate and feed back at the next meeting.

19. DECISIONS MADE BY LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL

The Director, Planning and Economic Development submitted a report on decisions made by Leicester City Council on planning applications previously considered by the Panel.

No comments were made on the applications.

20. CURRENT DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

A) 82-86 RUTLAND STREET Listed Building Consent 20111231, Planning Application 20111232 Change of use to creative workspaces, extensions & alterations

The building was Grade II listed and within the St Georges Conservation Area. The application was City Council led, and was for the conversion of three separate properties into creative workspaces and offices. The proposal involved a three storey extension and internal and external alterations. The Panel had made observations at the pre-application stage.

The Panel were supportive of the scheme. They asked about heating requirements and the need for secondary glazing. They suspected a possible need for additional insulation. They noted a future need for signage and would only like to see something traditional within existing fascias. They welcomed the retention of the panelled offices and had no concerns on the demolition of the external lean to.

The Panel recommended APPROVAL of the application.

B) SPENCEFIELD LANE, EVINGTON HALL Listed Building Consent 20111280, Planning Application 20111274 Internal and external alterations.

The building was Grade II listed. The Panel had made observations on the development of the grounds for residential the conversion of the hall to flats on

2008. The application was for alterations to the school including the removal of the flat roof 1960s extensions.

The Panel welcomed the removal of the existing extensions and had no concerns regarding the new build elements, landscaping of the internal changes.

The Panel recommended APPROVAL of the application.

C) GIPSY LANE, TOWERS HOSPITAL LODGE Listed Building Consent 20110426 Internal and external alterations.

The building was Grade II listed. The Panel had looked at the Towers site on several occasions over the past ten years, including the conversion of the main building to flats and new residential developments within the grounds.

The Panel were happy that the lodge, a building at risk for many years was finally to be renovated. They would prefer to see a greater set back if possible to make the extension more obvious as an addition and to make the main lodge read better. They would like a better gable end detail as well. It was important that materials matched the main lodge and the restoration was carried out to a high standard.

The Panel recommended APPROVAL of the application, but asked that Conservation Officers monitored the development of the site, and also asked that if developers intended to change the chimney pot to provide details.

D) 7 HIGH STREET Listed Building Consent 20111192 New internal light fittings

The building was Grade II listed and within the High Street Conservation Area. The application was for new light fittings to the front windows to help with the visual identify of the Lloyds Bank.

The Panel were slightly apprehensive as to how the light fittings would look. They were happy to support the judgement of officers following a site meeting to assess the lights in their proposed setting.

The Panel recommended REFUSAL of the application, and asked that Conservation Officers investigate the lighting further.

E) 7 KNIGHTON PARK ROAD Planning Application 20111232 Extensions to house

The building was within the Stoneygate Conservation Area. The application was for extensions to a house built in the late 1970s which would transform the

external appearance.

The Panel noted that the current house was an honest representation of a late 1970s style house and that the proposed extensions would create a dishonest pastiche. They would like a much simpler design or a modern looking building that reflects the 21st century.

The Panel recommended REFUSAL of the application in its current form, and recommended the architect made amendments to the design.

LATE ITEM) 15 ELMS ROAD Planning Application 2011 Extensions to Care Home

The Panel were supportive of the scheme. It was noted that there would be an increase in the overlooking of adjacent properties but it was also noted that windows at high levels had always overlooked the adjacent properties. They asked about the external fire escape, would it become redundant? They seemed pleased that the current rear extensions considered detrimental to the character of the building would be replaced with something more sympathetic and the lengths the architect had gone to, to ensure that the extension matched the quality of the main house and that the notable architectural details were retained

The Panel recommended APPROVAL of the application.

The Panel raised no objections to the following applications:

F) 55A LONDON ROAD Listed Building Consent 20110278 Change of use, alterations

G) 24 CAREYS CLOSE Advertisement Consent 20111042 Three externally illuminated signs

21. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 6.23pm.

Appendix B



CONSERVATION ADVISORY PANEL

19th October 2011

CURRENT DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

Report of the Director, Planning and Economic Development

A) ABBEY PARK ROAD, ABBEY MILLS Planning Application 20111482 Demolition, redevelopment

The building is on the Local List

This application is for the demolition of the mill and redevelopment of the site with a new eight storey building for 24 self contained flats and eleven four storey houses. The Panel have made observations on similar schemes over the last year.

B) 40-46 WESTERN ROAD Planning Application 20110539

The proposal affects the former Equity Shoes factory which is on the Local List.

The Panel made observations on this development earlier this year. This is a revised scheme for new buildings ranging from five to eight storeys in height to create 581 bed spaces for student accommodation.

C) 8 SALISBURY ROAD
Planning Application 20111442
Change of use, rear extension

The building is within the New Walk Conservation Area.

This application is for conversion of the building to nine flats. The proposal involves a two and a half storey rear extension.

D) 84-86 GRANBY STREET Planning Application 20111552 Change of use, alterations

The building is within the Granby Street Conservation Area.

This application is for change of use of the building from restaurant/café to bar/café and the upper floors to offices. The building suffered severe fire damage earlier this year.

E) 10 ST JAMES ROAD Planning Application 20111496 Change of use, alterations

The building is within the Evington Footpath Conservation Area

This application is for the conversion of the building from nine bedsits to two bedsits and eight self contained flats. Some external alterations are proposed.

The following applications are reported for Members' information and will not be presented unless a specific request is made by 12.00 noon on Monday 17th October 2011. Contact Jeremy Crooks (tel. 252 7218) or Jenny Timothy (tel. 252 7296).

F) 344 LONDON ROAD Planning Application 20111417 Replacement windows

The building is within the Stoneygate Conservation Area.

This application is for new uPVC windows to the rear and second floor side elevation.

G) 48 PRINCESS ROAD EAST Planning Application 20111542 Replacement windows and doors

This mid 1970s building is within the New Walk Conservation Area.

This application is for the replacement of the existing steel windows with powder coated aluminium. New doors are also proposed.

H) REGENT ROAD, REGENT COLLEGE Planning Application 20111370 Link extension

The building is on the Local List.

This application is for a small lean to style extension within the inner courtyard of the building.

I) HALLAM CRESCENT EAST, CALDECOTE PRIMARY SCHOOL Planning Application 20111371 2.4 metre fence

The building is on the Local List

This application is for a new 2.4 metre perimeter fence.

