

Minutes of the Meeting of the CONSERVATION ADVISORY PANEL HELD ON Wednesday, 11 December 2019

Meeting Started 5:15 pm

Attendees

R. Lawrence (Chair), P. Ellis (VS), Cllr Susan Barton, M. Richardson (RTPI), C. Jordan (LAHS), C. Hossack (LIHS), S. Hartshorne (TCS), C. Laughton, C. Sawday, N. Stacey (LSA), D. Martin (LRGT), P. Draper (RICS), S. Eppel (LCS), N. Feldmann (LRSA), K. Durkin (Student)

Presenting Officers

J. Webber (LCC), D. Evans (LCC)

Apologies

R. Gill, S. Bird (DAC), D. Sharma (Student)

117. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

118. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

119. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Panel agreed the notes.

120. CURRENT DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

A) 580 GIPSY LANE Planning Application 20191465

DEMOLITION OF EXISTING DWELLING; CONSTRUCTION OF TWO DETACHED DWELLINGS (2X 4BED) (CLASS C3); ASSOCIATED PARKING

The Panel indicated that 3D context visuals would have helped to inform their decision.

The Panel concluded that the proposed demolition of the existing characterful cottage within the Old Humberstone Conservation Area would have a harmful impact upon that conservation area and the setting of nearby listed buildings, and that harm would not be outweighed by the new development. This was partly because the proposed development was of poor design with poor quality materials.

OBJECTION

B) Land between 62-68 Constance Road Planning Application 20191477

CONSTRUCTION OF TWO HOUSES (2 X 4 BED) (CLASS C3)

The Panel critiqued the current design proposal, both on its own terms and in relation to the previously approved scheme. It was concluded that the previously consented scheme was superior. However, whilst the current scheme was criticised as being of poor design and materials, such as the proposed uPVC windows, it would have limited impact on the setting of the nearby listed buildings. It was suggested that the front elevation should have better detailing, including better proportioned windows, with more reference to that adjacent.

SEEK AMENDMENTS

C) St Martin's, St Martin's Cathedral Church Planning Application 20192261

DEMOLITION OF SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION; CONSTRUCTION OF TWO STOREY ABOVE GROUND AND TWO STOREY BELOW GROUND BUILDING FOR A LEARNING CENTRE, STORE AND VOLUNTEERS AREA (CLASS D1); ALTERATIONS

The Panel expressed disappointment with the revised design, which they considered to be inferior to the previous iteration. They considered that amendments to the external appearance had taken the design further away from the light weight contemporary style that had previously been espoused. Particular concern was expressed with regard to the parapet on the principle building volume, which was considered to be excessive in scale and to make the building appear unbalanced. The larger feature was seen to undermine the dominance of the fins and the Panel requested that it be significantly reduced. Although some support for the changes to the secondary volume were expressed, others considered that a simpler and more unified design for the combined building would have been appropriate, given its relatively small scale. Concerns about pastiche in terms of detailing were made and that the building was too busy in terms of detailing.

SEEK AMENDMENTS

D) 101-107 RATCLIFFE ROAD, MARY GEE HOUSES HALLS OF RESIDENCE Planning Application 20190433

DEMOLITION OF EXISTING BUILIDINGS; CONSTRUCTION OF RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF 100 APARTMENTS WITH CARE FOR THE ELDERLY (26 X 1 BED, 57 X 2 BED AND 17 X 3 BED) (CLASS C2); ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPING AND PARKING

The Panel felt that, whilst the latest proposal was an improvement over the last by virtue of its broken-up elevations, the central block still retained an institutional feel, with prominent white architectural masonry to the entrance. The Panel felt that the proposed floor plan was an improvement over the previous proposal. The Panel recommended further amendments to the exterior to include lighter coloured joinery and exterior fixings on the domestic red brick elevations and recessing the balconies within the structure instead of the projecting balconies. Additionally, the Panel suggested the scale and massing of the central block should be made more domestic by changing the uppermost storey to a mansard roof or similar. The Panel also desired that uPVC windows should not be fitted to the rear of the development.

SEEK AMENDMENTS

E) 4 KNIGHTON PARK ROAD Planning Application 20191480

DEMOLITION OF EXISTING GARAGE AND OUTBUILDING; CONSTRUCTION OF NEW DWELLING (1 X 2 BED) (CLASS C3) ALTERATIONS

The Panel were critical of the limited visual information provided and suggested more 3d views showing the new building in context from the street would be helpful. They reiterated their concerns over the loss of garden space and the impact on the character of the Conservation Area from a new dwelling. They considered that the quality of the architecture was still poor and that the structure would fail to preserve or enhance the character of the Conservation Area.

OBJECTION

The following applications are reported for Members' information and will not be presented unless a specific request is made by 2.00pm on Monday 9th December 2019. Please contact Justin Webber (4544638) Paula Burbicka (4541703) or Daniel Evans (4544076).

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

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

21 ST MARTINS, CATHEDRAL CENTRE Planning Application 20191677

INTERNAL ALTERATIONS TO GRADE II* LISTED BUILDING

Land East of Thurmaston Lane off Colin Grundy Drive Planning Application 20191832

Construction of a two and three storey school building and sports hall with associated access; parking; external recreation areas; sports facilities and landscaping (Class D1)

459 Hinckley Road, Eco House Planning Application 20191755

INSTALLATION OF 2.4M HIGH SECURITY FENCE AND GATES TO COMMUNITY BUILDING

19 ASHFIELD ROAD Planning Application 20191084

DEMOLITION OF PART OF REAR SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION; REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING BOUNDARY WALL TO RAILING AT FRONT AND CONSTRUCTION OF SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION AT SIDE AND REAR; ALTERATIONS TO HOUSE (CLASS C3)

3-5 ST MARTINS SQUARE Planning Application 20191861

INSTALLATION OF SIX EXTERNALLY ILLUMINATED FASCIA SIGNS; TWO EXTERNALLY ILLUMINATED PROJECTING SIGNS; TWO NON ILLUMINATED SIGN ON AWNING; THREE INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED MENU BOXES AT FRONT OF RESTAURANT (CLASS A3)

Leicester Creative Business Depot, 31 Rutland Street Planning Application 20191694

INSTALLATION OF WINDOWS AND DOORS TO REAR

118-120 REGENT ROAD Planning Application 20190235

RETROSPECTIVE APPLICATION FOR REPLACEMENT TIMBER WINDOWS TO STUDENT ACCOMODATION (SUI GENERIS)

Highfield Street, Leicester Hebrew Congregation Planning Application 20191965

Installation of two rooflights to side of place of worship (Class D1)

Highfield Street, Leicester Hebrew Congregation Planning Application 20191966

External alterations to grade II listed building

3-5 St Martins Square Planning Application 20191928

Installation of nine exterior lights (class a3)

9A CHURCH GATE Planning Application 20191604

INSTALLATION OF ONE INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED FASCIA SIGNAGE TO SHOPFRONT (CLASS A1)

116 Evington Drive Planning Application 20191939

CONSTRUCTION OF HIP TO GABLE ROOF; REAR DORMER EXTENSION; INSTALLATION OF ROOFLIGHTS AT FRONT OF HOUSE

34 Charles Street Planning Application 20191584

Change of use from shop (Class A1) to hot food takeaway (Class A5); installation of ventilation flue at rear; alterations

The Gateway, De Montfort University, Portland Building Planning Application 20191892

Replacement of windows at side, rear and courtyard of university building (Class D1)

PLOT 33 LAND ADJACENT TO 37 HERONGATE ROAD Planning Application 20191426

CONSTRUCTION OF TWO NEW DWELLINGS (2 x 4 BED) (CLASS C3)

88 Granby Street Planning Application 20191825

Change of use from restaurant (Class A3) to restaurant (Class A3) and hot food takeaway (Class A5); installation of ventilation flue at rear

7 SEVERN STREET
Planning Application 20191602

CHANGE OF USE FROM DWELLINGHOUSE (CLASS C3) TO AN 8-PERSON HOUSE IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION (SUI GENERIS); REPLACEMENT WINDOWS TO FRONT; ALTERATIONS

271 London Road Planning Application 20191976

Installation of vehicular access, 1.6m wall and hardstanding at front of house (removal of chimney and installation of 2.9m wall to side; construction of single storey extension at side and rear; demolition of gates and outbuildings at rear; Alterations (Class C3)

Land off Richard III Road Planning Application 20191999

Demolition of existing buildings and construction of 3 storey school building, sports hall, multi use games areas; Associated external recreation areas, landscaping, car parking and secure fencing; Removal of Tree Covered by Tree Preservation Order

3 HILL STREET Planning Application 20191990

CHANGE OF USE OF GROUND FLOOR FROM VEHICLE REPAIR GARAGE (CLASS B2) TO ONE FLAT (1 x 2 BED) (CLASS C3) ALTERATIONS

31 Balmoral Close Planning Application 20192064

Construction of two storey extension to side of house; Alterations (Class C3)

9A Church Gate Planning Application 20192023

Change of use from shop (Class A1) to hot food takeaway (Class A5)

12 Fosse Road South Planning Application 20191384

Construction of dormer extension at rear of house (Class C3)

De Montfort University Performance Arts Centre For Excellence Planning Application 20192034

Installation of one non illuminated fascia sign (class d1)

115 Charles Street, City Hall Planning Application 20191972

Two flag poles at front of building

33A Elms Road Planning Application 20191899

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

CORPORATION ROAD, FORMER JOHN ELLIS COLLEGE SITE Planning Application 20191699

Details of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale to provide (Phase 2) 5743sqm of collaborative research and business floorspace (Class B1/D1) associated hard and soft landscaping and car parking being matters reserved by outline permission 20182094.

4 Eldon Street, Shop Planning Application 20192042

Retrospective application for change of use from shop (Class A1) to restaurant (Class A3); alterations to shopfront and installation of ventilation louvre to side; alterations

10 ST MARTINS SQUARE Planning Application 20191222

INSTALLATION OF INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED FASCIA SIGN, TWO EXTERNALLY ILLUMINATED HANGING SIGNS; INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED MENU DISPLAY TO SHOPFRONT (CLASS A3)

6B New Walk, Revolution Planning Application 20192105

Retrospective installation of one internally illuminated fascia sign at front of building (Class A4)

28 SAXBY STREET
Planning Application 20191884

Installation of 1.8m high railings and gate to front and side of day nursery (Class D1)

Hinckley Road, Western Park House, Western Park Planning Application 20191985

Construction of four dormers at front; four rooflights at rear of house; alterations (Class C3)

Hinckley Road, Western Park House, Western Park Planning Application 20191984

Internal & external alterations to Grade II Listed Building

32-40 Market Street Planning Application 20192055

Variation of condition 7 (plans) attached to planning permission 20191594: (Variation of condition 2 (materials) and condition 7 (plans) attached to planning permission 20182478 (change of use of class a1 retail shop to: (basement) Classes A1 retail, A2 financial & professional services, A3 restaurant/cafe, B1 office, C1 serviced apartments including ancillary gym; (ground floor) Classes A1, A2, A3, B1, C1 including ancillary reception/bar; (first, second, third floors) Class C1. Fourth and fifth floor extensions to provide roof top bar and C1. Alterations.) To allow for internal and external alterations including replacement of rooftop bar with 10 x serviced apartments, alterations to the fenestration, roofing materials and anomaly to the survey (finished heights). (amended plans

9/10/19)). To allow for further internal and external alterations.

32-40 Market Street Planning Application 20192056

Variation of condition 3 (plans) attached to planning permission 20191595: (Variation of condition 2 (materials) and condition 3 (plans) attached to listed building consent 20182479 (internal and external alterations) to allow for internal and external alterations including changes to fenestration, roofing material and anomaly to the survey (finished heights) (amended plans 9/10/19); to make minor amendments to the layout

9 Church Gate Planning Application 20192022

Installation of one non illuminated fasica sign to front of takeaway(class A5)

1 MORLAND AVENUE MORLAND HOUSE Planning Application 20191732

Conversion of basement and loft to create three flats (1x2 bed) (2x1 bed) (class c3) forming a total of seven flats (1x2 bed and 6x1 bed); raised ridge height; demolition of chimney; construction of three side dormers; alterations to land to create light well; alterations to building

22 South Knighton Road, Ulverscroft, Land Adjacent Planning Application 20192143

Conversion of basement and loft to create three flats (1x2 bed) (2x1 bed) (class c3) forming a total of seven flats (1x2 bed and 6x1 bed); raised ridge height; demolition of chimney; construction of three side dormers; alterations to land to create light well; alterations to building

Marsden Lane, Land adjacent to, Aylestone Planning Application 20192170

Installation of timber ramp to allow access between the Great Central Way path and trail and Aylestone Meadows (Class D2)

Uppingham Road (adjacent junction with Colchester Road) Planning Application 20192098

Installation of 20m high replacement monopole; 7 cabinets

2 Southernhay Road, Southernhay House Planning Application 20191898

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

University Of Leicester, Ken Edwards Building Planning Application 20192125

Construction of steps and ramped access at front of university building (Class D1); alterations

University Of Leicester, University Road, Fielding Johnson Building Planning Application 20192124

Installation of ramp, steps, canopy, door and hard surfacing to form access at side of university building (Class D1); alterations

University Of Leicester University Road Planning Application 20192175

Internal and external alterations to grade II listed building

97 CHURCH GATE Planning Application 20182183

DEMOLITION OF EXISTING BUILDINGS. CONSTRUCTION OF MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT COMPRISING SINGLE AND SEVEN STOREY 171 BED ROOM HOTEL; AND EIGHT, TEN AND FOURTEEN STOREY BUILDINGS COMPRISING 142 FLATS (53 x 2 BED, 67 x 1 BED and 22 STUDIOS). CAR PARKING, LANDSCAPING AND ASSOCIATED WORKS. (AMENDED PLANS)

40-48 BELVOIR STREET Planning Application 20181361

CHANGE OF USE OF PART FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD FLOORS FROM WAREHOUSE (CLASS B8) TO 13 FLATS (2XSTUDIO), (7X1 BED), (4X2 BED) (CLASS C3); INTERNAL DEMOLITION AND ALTERATIONS.

40-48 BELVOIR STREET Planning Application 20181362

INTERNAL DEMOLITION, AND INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL ALTERATIONS, TO LISTED BUILDING TO FACILITATE THE CONVERSION OF PART FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD FLOORS TO RESIDENTIAL USE.

18 Church Gate Planning Application 20191950

Change of use of ground floor from shop (Class A1) to cafe (Class A3); installation of ventilation flue at rear

219 LONDON ROAD Planning Application 20191741

RETROSPECTIVE APPLICATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF TWO BRICK PILLARS, HARDSTANDING AT FRONT; INSTALLATION OF FENCE AT FRONT AND SIDE; GATE AT FRONT OF HOUSE (CLASS C3)

263 London Road, Melbourne House Planning Application 20191883

Retrospective application for the Installation of 1.9m high replacement fence to house (Class C3)

8 Church Gate - Unit Msu4 Highcross Planning Application 20192207

Installation of two internally illuminated fascia signs; one internally illuminated logo sign; three non-illuminated window vinyl signs to front of cafe (Class A3)

St Martin's Square Planning Application 20192223

Installation of replacement lighting to frontages within retail arcade

284 Loughborough Road Planning Application 20192193

Retrospective application for installation of Shopfront (Class A1)

NEXT MEETING – Wednesday 15th January 2020

Meeting Ended – 18:55