PLANNING COMMITTEE 13.03.2024

SUPPLEMENTARY MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED AS PART OF THE REPORT BY THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR - PLANNING AND ECONOMIC GROWTH ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

<u>ITEM NO</u>	<u>REF NO</u>	LOCATION	COMMENTS	RECOMMENDATION
1	23/01089/FUL	ST JOHNS COLLEGE GROVE ROAD SOUTH SOUTHSEA	Para 10.142 - Officers have reviewed this paragraph and noted that it appears to suggest that an additional mechanism within the required Parking Management Plan is needed to prevent prospective residents applying for parking permits. For clarity it is confirmed that no additional control is needed. The LHA have confirmed that the application site falls outside the adjacent Resident Parking Zone (MD and KD) the and future residential occupiers would therefore not be eligible for permits	
			 Para 10.195 - Officers have reviewed this paragraph and would clarify that 'final agreement' in respect of the FRA would be a decision of the council in consultation with Coastal Partners, not an agreement by Coastal Partners itself. 5 further representations have been received since finalisation of the agenda. All material 	

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	planning matters have however already been
	covered in the officer report.
	In addition to this two supplementary
	representations from a resident at Thicket
	Cottage, The Thicket have also been
	provided. These two representations repeat
	concerns regarding overlooking from
	residential windows and asks that the
	application be deferred for further
	consideration of the Human Rights Act,
	insofar as it relates to the neighbour's
	suggestion that the degree of overlooking
	from the proposed development to
	neighbouring properties would constitute a
	nuisance. The neighbour has suggested that
	a 2023 Supreme Court case [Fearn v Tate
	Gallery Trustees [2023] 2 W.L.R. 339] is
	relevant to this consideration.
	The Tate Gallery case was a case seeking an
	injunction against nuisance wherein the court
	concluded that the use of a viewing terrace
	which allowed "hundreds of thousands" of
	visitors to look into windows of neighbouring
	flats was an exceptional visual instruction
	above the use of land in the 'common and
	ordinary way' expected from an art gallery in
	a residential or mixed use area. It is clearly a
	very different scenario than that caused by
	the application before committee.
	The Officers' report considers the
	reasonableness of any overlooking causing a
	loss of privacy or visual intrusion created by
	the proposal and has found it to be
	acceptable. The report also considers the

Human Rights Act in respect of the enjoyment of property and right to a fair hearing and positively concludes the balance needed in their consideration in respect to other competing interests. That residents request that the application be deferred has been appended in full to this SMAT. The applicant, having reviewed that request to defer the matter, has sought and provided an opinion from a Barrister (Christiaan Zwart) which opines that 'nothing in the letter of the objector that could justify the deferment of the current planning application nor its refusal'. For completeness that Opinion is also appended to this SMAT.
The applicant has also provided additional information on 5 th and 8 th of March, including A Shadow Habitats Regulation Assessment, a Flood Risk Assessment Addendum, additional computer generated images and a section through the neighbouring Thicket Cottage. These submission illustrate and explain details already contained within the submission of the application and do not make any material amendment. The applicant has also confirmed that, despite a finding within the assessed Viability Review that the scheme cannot support a normal level of developer profit and the provision of Affordable Housing (see 10.30) the developer is however willing to accept an

			abnormal reduction in profit and, without prejudice, make a £200,000 contribution towards Affordable Housing within the City, to be secured by s106 agreement. The applicant has confirmed that it is not feasible to provide affordable housing directly on-site 'owing to the nature of the funding for the development and the fact Southsea Village Ltd intend to retain the ownership of the site to enable the properties to be rented out rather than sold as market dwellings'. They have also suggested that in their experience 'Registered Provider would not wish to take ownership of a single or pair of properties on a development of this scale due to the likely management fees and service maintenance charges that would be incurred.' While the development is considered to be compliant with Policy PCS19 of the Portsmouth Plan without a contribution for Affordable Housing the voluntary provision of such a contribution, contributing to meeting identified Affordable Housing need in the City is a material consideration justifying allowing such a planning obligation (albeit it inclusion or otherwise not constituting a reason to grant or withhold planning permission).	No Change to substantive recommendation, but with the addition to the identified Heads of Terms for the s106 agreement of a £200,000 financial contribution to Affordable Housing.
1	23/01074/LBC	LINNHOLM HOUSE & THE CASTLE ST JOHNS COLLEGE GROVE ROAD SOUTH	See above for additional representations and submissions from the applicant	No change to recommendation.

2	23/01549/DOC	SOUTHSEA SEAFRONT FROM LONG CURTAIN MOAT IN THE WEST TO EASTNEY MARINE BARRACKS IN THE EAST		
3	24/00012/FUL	ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND STAMSHAW PARK NEWCOMEN ROAD	Cllr Lee Hunt has provided a representation in respect of the application: 'Having been to the public consultation at Stamshaw Playpark to see the plans and listen to officers proposals; I can report the enthusiasm of local residents present and since then, for the reports and request for planning consent before LPA tomorrow. I'd very much like to be with you all but have ongoing dental treatment underway with a 10:50 appointment; even so will attend to speak if I can. This is very much a good news story for the local community helping keep youngsters involved in useful activities. This coupled with Stamshaw & Tipner Community Centre and its groups including 'Golden Gloves' Boxing Club, the Playpark and ball courts is giving more young people more to do. Best wishes, Cllr Lee Hunt'	No change to recommendation.
4	23/01592/FUL	350-352 LONDON ROAD HILSEA		
5	20/00944/FUL	32 MONTGOMERIE ROAD SOUTHSEA PO5 1ED	Elevation plans have been provided since report publication, Dwg. Ref. PG.02. These shall be included in the Presentation to the Committee.	No change to recommendation.

6	23/01220/FUL	19 TAMWORTH ROAD PORTSMOUTH PO3 6DL	Plan ref. no: The floor plan ref. no. has been updated (to Proposed Layout Ground Floor (Dated 26/01/2024); and Proposed Layout First Floor (Dated 26/01/2024)). There is no change to the plans themselves since publication of the Officer Report.	Update Condition 2 as per the adjacent column.
			Further objection comment: Following publication of the report, one of the objectors has provided a further comment, querying the accuracy of the stated external measurements of the ground and first floor. This has been reviewed and clarification sought from the agent. It has been confirmed that the property was measured internally, with the external measurements calculated by adding the average wall thickness to the internal measurements. A minor discrepancy of 0.03m identified by the objector is therefore explained due to variation in wall thickness within the building. The plans have been re-measured, and the Officers are satisfied the internal measurements stated on the plans are correct.	
			Cllr Sanders have also provided a further representation in respect of the application: 'I thank members for reconsidering this application. I know you were all concerned about the discrepancies in room sizes that emerged last time. I remain concerned about the impact of this development on this unique road. Tamworth is one-sided - the park is on the other side - and a no-through road. Therefore, parking is even more valuable than normal as vehicles can only pass via the turning circle at the bottom. Therefore increasing parking, as this application will do, will have a disproportionate impact on	

residential amenity and I urge that this be refused on those grounds. This application is unique in other ways. This is the only one I can recall where the developer has said how many residents he wants and who they should be. It is right, then, that, if you grant permission by taking matters such as room size at face value, you should take those commitments - publicly lodged on the Council website - at face value too. Therefore, I ask that - should you decide to approve this scheme - you take separate votes on restricting residents to four and whether those people should be health professionals. Now, I know officers will say no and no, saying the applicant would appeal and we would lose. However, given that the applicant has put these in his application, it would be a bit daft for him then to tell an Inspector 'ah yes, but I did not really mean it', which he would have to do at appeal.
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7	23/01420/FUL	25 TOTTENHAM ROAD PORTSMOUTH PO1 1QL	Location plan Ref HD0049-PL05 updated to HD0049-PL05 RevA to reflect change to extension from original submission .	No change to recommendation.
8	23/01544/FUL	82 CHICHESTER ROAD PORTSMOUTH PO2 0AH		
9	23/01584/CPL	73 MARGATE ROAD SOUTHSEA PO5 1EY		
10	23/01599/FUL	165 LABURNUM GROVE PORTSMOUTH PO2 0HF	Amended plans were submitted that label the previously unlabelled rooms 6 and 7, and confirmation received from the applicant that the works will have no impact on the tree outside the adjacent property (163). A written submission has been provided by Cllr Benedict Swann and is appended to the SMAT	No change to recommendation.