

**London Borough of Islington
Planning Sub-Committee A
10 September 2012**

Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held at the Town Hall, Upper Street, Islington, N1 2UD on 10 September 2012 at 7.30pm.

Present: Councillors: George Allan, Rhiannon Davis, Troy Gallagher, Kate Groucutt and Robert Khan.

Also present: Councillor John Gilbert.

Councillor Rhiannon Davis in the Chair

230 INTRODUCTIONS (Item A1)

Councillor Davis welcomed everyone to the meeting. Members of the Sub-Committee and officers introduced themselves. The Chair explained that the Sub-Committee would deal with the determination of planning applications and outlined the procedures for the meeting.

231 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Item A2)

Apologies were received from Councillor Kelly.

232 DECLARATIONS OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS (Item A3)

Councillor Groucutt for Councillor Kelly.

233 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item A4)

There were no declarations of interest.

234 ORDER OF BUSINESS (Item A5)

The order of business would be as follows:
Items B1, B2, B3, B6, B4 and B5.

235 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE HELD ON 31 JULY 2012 (Item A6)

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 31 July 2012 be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings and the Chair be authorised to sign them.

236 HIGHBURY ROUNDHOUSE YOUTH CENTRE REAR OF 71, RONALDS ROAD, ISLINGTON, LONDON, N5 1XB (Item B1)

Demolition of the building known as the "bottleworks" to the rear of Highbury Roundhouse.

(Planning application number: P121241)

During the discussion of the application the following key issues were raised:

- That the Head of Development Management agreed that residents be consulted on the details of the Demolition Method Statement
- A bat survey confirmed that there were no bats roosting within the building proposed to be demolished however there was some evidence of roosts close to the application site therefore conditions had been recommended to minimise potential disturbance arising from dust and noise.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That planning permission be granted subject to the additional condition, the conditions in the case officer's report and the reasons for granting being recommendations A and B within Appendix One of the case officer's report.

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237 HIGHBURY ROUNDHOUSE YOUTH CENTRE REAR OF 71, RONALDS ROAD, ISLINGTON, LONDON, N5 1XB (Item B2)

Formation of new boundary wall structures to land between numbers 1-8 Whistler Street and the Highbury Roundhouse site (access via 71 Ronalds Road) following demolition of existing boundary wall within Whistler Street Conservation Area.

(Planning application number: P121245)

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be granted, subject to the conditions in the case officer's report and the reasons for granting being recommendations A and B within Appendix One of the case officer's report.

238 HIGHBURY ROUNDHOUSE YOUTH CENTRE REAR OF 71, RONALDS ROAD, ISLINGTON, LONDON, N5 1XB (Item B3)

Demolition of existing boundary wall within Whistler Street Conservation Area between numbers 1-8 Whistler Street and the Highbury Roundhouse site.

(Planning application number: P121246)

RESOLVED:

That conservation area consent be granted, subject to the conditions in the case officer's report and reasons for granting being recommendations A and B within Appendix One of the case officer's report.

239 36-47, RAY WALK, ISLINGTON, LONDON, N7 7RD (Item B4)

Retrospective application to change the use of 30 semi-basement garages (ancillary to residential use) to mixed B1 and B8 use plus external alterations.

(Planning application number: P121075)

RESOLVED:

That planning permission be granted subject to the conditions in the case officer's report and the reasons for granting being recommendations A and B within Appendix One of the case officer's report.

240 HOLLY PARK ESTATE, ISLINGTON, LONDON, N4 4BD (Item B5)

The Chair had agreed that this report could be considered as a late item. The reason for lateness was stated on the report as follows: "The re-consultation period for the amended scheme had not finished by the time the report was due to be completed".

Installation of external solid wall insulation with brick effect render (Option 1) or plain render with brick slip detailing (Option 2) to external elevations of all buildings (amended description).

(Planning application number: P120800)

During the discussion of the application the following key issues were considered:

- Option 2 which proposed the application of plain render with brick slip detailing to the elevation of the buildings, as an alternative to Option 1 was favoured as it addressed the concerns that were raised by members of the Sub-Committee at the last meeting.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That Option 1 be refused
- 2) That planning permission for Option 2 be granted, subject to the conditions in the case officer's report and the reasons for granting being recommendations A and B within Appendix One of the case officer's report.

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241 **COMMUNITY GARDENS, ARUNDEL SQUARE, ISLINGTON, LONDON N7 (Item B6)**

Retrospective application for installation of tree house play structure.

(Planning application number: P121330)

During the discussion of the application the following key issues were considered:

- The safety and security of the treehouse.
- Concern that the treehouse was being used by teenagers with unauthorised access to the park and the possible increase of anti-social behaviour at night.
- A police report had not been undertaken.

Councillor Davis proposed a motion to defer determination of the application subject to a site visit. This was seconded by Councillors Allan and Khan and carried.

RESOLVED:

That consideration of the planning application be deferred.

REASON:

To enable members of the Sub-Committee to visit the site.

URGENT NON EXEMPT MATTERS (Item C)

There were no urgent non-exempt items.

The meeting ended at 08:25 pm

CHAIR:

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