

MINUTES OF THE STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

Thursday, 13 February 2020 at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Councillors John Paschoud (Chair), Paul Bell, Suzannah Clarke, Liam Curran, Olurotimi Ogunbadewa and James-J Walsh

ALSO PRESENT: Service Group Planning Manager, Senior Planning Lawyer, Senior Conservation Officer, Development Management Planning Team Leader – North Area, Planning Officer, and Senior Committee Manager.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Leo Gibbons, Councillor Tom Copley and Councillor Aisling Gallagher.

At the start of the meeting, the Chair, Councillor John Paschoud announced the procedure for considering the planning application. It was stated that after presentation by officers, representative(s) of objectors and the applicant would be given 5 minutes each.

1. **Declarations of Interests**

The Chair, Councillor John Paschoud, advised that he was acquainted with the applicant for attending the same school but he had not seen him since then. In addition to that, the Chair, and all Members present at the meeting advised that they were acquainted with one of the main named objectors to the application, who was a former Chief Executive of the Council.

2. **13 Dartmouth Row, London, SE10 8AW**

The Committee received a presentation by the Planning Officer. It was clarified that reference to “7 Dartmouth Grove” under paragraph 73 of the report was in error, and should read “7 Dartmouth Row”.

With an agreement by the Chair, Councillor John Paschoud, the Committee received a document circulated at the meeting by an objector to the application.

The meeting moved to closed session at 8.55pm to discuss whether there were sustainable reasons for refusal and if so, how those reasons might look.

The meeting resumed at 9.09pm.

A motion to refuse the application was made by Councillor Susannah Clarke and seconded by Councillor Paul Bell.

The proposed reasons for refusal were as follows:

“That the proposed single storey extension of the roof terrace would be, by virtue of its scale, siting, design and material, represent incongruous and unsympathetic addition to the host building and street scene, which would fail to retain and enhance the character or appearance of the non-designated heritage asset, contrary to policy DMP37 of the development management local plan and would fail to preserve or enhance the character, or appearance of the conservation area contrary to policy DMP30, DMP31, DMP36 of the Development Management Local Plan, and the Alterations and Extensions Supplementary Planning document”.

Councillor Curran spoke against the motion for the reasons as set out in paragraphs 159-164 of the report. Councillor Curran considered that the noise issue had been satisfactorily address, and that the proportions properly worked out. A vote was taken, and being tied 3/3, the Chair used his casting vote to reject the motion proposed by Councillor Clarke.

Councillor Curran then proposed a motion to accept the Officer's recommendation as set out in the report. The motion was seconded by Councillor Olurotimi Ogunbadewa. The vote was tied 3/3 and the Chair used his casting vote to approve the motion proposed by Councillor Curran.

RESOLVED - That planning permission be granted subject to the conditions and informatives outlined in the report.

The meeting closed at 9.19pm

Chair