Decisions of the Planning Committee B

14 December 2022

Members Present:-

Councillor Claire Farrier (Chair)
Councillor Arjun Mittra (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Nick Mearing-Smith Councillor Gill Sargeant

Councillor Tony Vourou

Apologies for Absence

Councillor Melvin Cohen

The Chair welcomed Members, Officers and the public to the meeting and noted that it was being webcast.

They announced the sad passing of a Member of the Committee, the long serving Councillor Melvin Cohen. A minutes silence was held.

1. Minutes of the last meeting

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 15 November 2022 be agreed as a correct record.

2. Absence of Members

Apologies were received on behalf of Councillor Melvin Cohen.

3. Declaration of Members' Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Interests (if any)

There were none.

4. Report of the Monitoring Office (if any)

There was none.

5. Addendum (if applicable)

Items contained within the addendum were dealt with under individual agenda items. The Committee noted the addendum to the Planning Agenda which was published and circulated prior to the meeting.

6. 15 The Ridings, Alverstone Avenue, Barnet, EN4 8DR - TPP/0112/22 - East Barnet

The Planning Officer presented the report and addendum.

There were no speakers.

After debate Cllr A Mittra proposed and Cllr T Vourou seconded a move to refuse the application.

For (refusal): 3 Against (refusal): 1 Abstained: 1

RESOLVED that the application was REFUSED as the loss of these trees of special amenity value is not justified as a remedy for the alleged subsidence damage on the basis of the information provided.

7. 66 - 68 High Road, N2 9PN - 22/2862/FUL - East Finchley

The report was introduced and slides presented by the Planning Officer.

The Committee received verbal representations from the Agent for the Applicant.

The Committee had the opportunity to ask questions of the speakers and officers.

Following discussions, the Committee voted on the Officer recommendation to approve the application as set out in the report.

Votes were recorded as follows:

For (Approval): 4 Against (Approval): 1

RESOLVED that the application was APPROVED subject to conditions AND the Committee grants delegated authority to the Service Director – Planning and Building Control to make any minor alterations, additions or deletions to the recommended conditions/obligations or reasons for refusal as set out in this report and addendum provided this authority shall be exercised after consultation with the Chair (or in their absence the Vice-Chair) of the Committee (who may request that such alterations, additions or deletions be first approved by the Committee).

8. 585 Watford Way, NW7 3JG - 22/4293/FUL - Mill Hill

The report was introduced and slides presented by the Planning Officer.

The Committee received verbal representation from Mr Roger Cohen who spoke in objection to the application.

The Committee received verbal representations from the Agent for the Applicant.

The Committee had the opportunity to ask questions of the speakers and officers.

Following the presentation the Chair reported that the Committee had been unable to complete a site visit due to the snow and proposed that the item be deferred. Cllr G Sargeant seconded the proposal.

Votes were recorded as follows:

For (deferral): 4 Abstention: 1

RESOLVED that the application be DEFERRED to allow a site visit to be completed.

It was noted that it would come to the next meeting. There would be no speakers as they had already been heard and only those present this evening would be eligible to vote on the application.

9. 53 Finchley Lane, NW4 1BY - 22/1959/FUL - Hendon

The report was introduced and slides presented by the Planning Officer.

The Committee received verbal representation from Mr Howard Lederman who spoke in objection to the application.

The Committee received verbal representations from the Agent for the Applicant.

The Committee had the opportunity to ask questions of the speakers and officers.

Following discussions, the Committee voted on the Officer recommendation to approve the application as set out in the report.

Votes were recorded as follows:

For (Approval): 4 Against (Approval): 1

RESOLVED that the application was APPROVED subject to conditions AND the Committee grants delegated authority to the Service Director – Planning and Building Control to make any minor alterations, additions or deletions to the recommended conditions/obligations or reasons for refusal as set out in this report and addendum provided this authority shall be exercised after consultation with the Chair (or in their absence the Vice-Chair) of the Committee (who may request that such alterations, additions or deletions be first approved by the Committee.

10. Talmud Torah Tiferes Shlomo Boys School, Danescroft Avenue, NW4 2NB - 22/0695/RCU - Hendon

The report and addendum were introduced and slides presented by the Planning Officer.

The Committee received verbal representation from Mr Ruvi Bloom who spoke in objection to the application.

The Committee received verbal representations from the Applicant.

The Committee had the opportunity to ask questions of the speakers and officers.

Cllr A Mittra proposed, Cllr G Sargeant seconded that the restrictor on the opening of the windows be applied to the northern elevations.

This was agreed unanimously.

Following discussions, the Committee voted on the Officer recommendation to approve the application as set out in the report and the addendum.

Votes were recorded as follows:

For (Approval): 4 Against (Approval): 1

RESOLVED that the application was APPROVED subject to conditions AND the Committee grants delegated authority to the Service Director – Planning and Building Control to make any minor alterations, additions or deletions to the recommended conditions/obligations or reasons for refusal as set out in this report and addendum provided this authority shall be exercised after consultation with the Chair (or in their absence the Vice-Chair) of the Committee (who may request that such alterations, additions or deletions be first approved by the Committee)

AND the amendment to condition 4 to read:

As shown on the hereby approved plans, the existing obscure glazing for all the north and south facing windows on the first floor or above of the southern wing shall be permanently retained as such thereafter. All windows in the first floor or above of the southern and northern elevations of the southern wing shall be permanently restricted to opening 75mm or less via the hereby approved windows restrictors within 1 month of this decision notice and permanently retained as such thereafter.

[The Chair briefly adjourned the meeting for a comfort break.]

11. Peaberry Court, 87 Greyhound Hill, NW4 4JE - 22/1437/OUT - Hendon

The report was introduced and slides presented by the Planning Officer.

The Committee received verbal representations from the Agent for the Applicant.

The Committee had the opportunity to ask questions of the speaker and officers.

Cllr G Sargeant proposed deferral to allow a site visit. Cllr A Mittra seconded the proposal.

Votes were recorded as follows:

For (deferral): 3 Against (deferral): 1

Abstention: 1

RESOLVED that the application be DEFERRED to allow a site visit to be completed.

It was noted that it would come to the next meeting. There would be no speakers as they had already been heard and only those present this evening would be eligible to vote on the application.

12. 67 Parkside Drive, Edgware, HA8 8JU - 22/1176/FUL - Edgwarebury

The report was introduced and slides presented by the Planning Officer.

The Committee received verbal representations from the Agent for the Applicant.

The Committee had the opportunity to ask questions of the speakers and officers.

The Committee voted on the Officer recommendation to approve the application as set out in the report.

Votes were recorded as follows:

For (Approval): 5

RESOLVED that the application was APPROVED subject to AND the Committee grants delegated authority to the Service Director – Planning and Building Control to make any minor alterations, additions or deletions to the recommended conditions/obligations or reasons for refusal as set out in this report and addendum provided this authority shall be exercised after consultation with the Chair (or in their absence the Vice-Chair) of the Committee (who may request that such alterations, additions or deletions be first approved by the Committee).

The Chair noted that the next two planning applications were inextricably interlinked. Therefore the presentations, speakers and any discussion for each would be heard separately but consecutively.

This would then be followed by the vote on each of the applications in turn.

13. Newstead Court, 33 Brent Street, NW4 2EF - 22/2650/FUL - Hendon

The report was introduced and slides presented by the Planning Officer.

The Committee received verbal representations from the Agent for the Applicant.

The Committee had the opportunity to ask questions of the speakers and officers.

Following the debate linked to the subsequent item, 35 - 37 Brent Street, NW4 2EF - 22/2138/FUL - Hendon, the Committee voted on the Officer recommendation to approve the application as set out in the report.

Votes were recorded as follows:

For (Approval): 4 Against (Approval): 1

RESOLVED that the application was APPROVED subject to conditions AND the Committee grants delegated authority to the Service Director – Planning and Building Control to make any minor alterations, additions or deletions to the recommended conditions/obligations or reasons for refusal as set out in this report and addendum provided this authority shall be exercised after consultation with the Chair (or in their absence the Vice-Chair) of the Committee (who may request that such alterations, additions or deletions be first approved by the Committee).

14. 35 - 37 Brent Street, NW4 2EF - 22/2138/FUL - Hendon

The report was introduced and slides presented by the Planning Officer.

The Committee received verbal representations from the Agent for the Applicant.

The Committee had the opportunity to ask questions of the speakers and officers.

Following discussions linked to the previous item, Newstead Court, 33 Brent Street, NW4 2EF - 22/2650/FUL, the Committee voted on the Officer recommendation to refuse the application as set out in the report.

Votes were recorded as follows:

For (Approval): 3 Against (Approval): 1

Abstention: 1

RESOLVED that the application was REFUSED AND the Committee grants delegated authority to the Service Director – Planning and Building Control to make any minor alterations, additions or deletions to the recommended conditions/obligations or reasons for refusal as set out in this report and addendum provided this authority shall be exercised after consultation with the Chair (or in their absence the Vice-Chair) of the Committee (who may request that such alterations, additions or deletions be first approved by the Committee).

15. Any item(s) that the Chair decides are urgent

Cllr A Mittra noted that this was the last meeting of the calendar year and thanked the Chair on behalf of Planning Committee B for their stewardship.

The meeting finished at 9.58 pm