Time Commenced: 5.17pm Time Finished: 6.50pm

## CONSERVATION AREA ADVISORY COMMITTEE 8 MARCH 2012

Present: Mr D Ling (Derby Civic Society) (Vice-Chair)

Mr P Billson (Derbyshire Historical Buildings Trust)

Mr M Craven (Victorian Society)

Mrs J D'Arcy (Derbyshire Archaeological Society)

Mr M Mallender (Co-opted)

Councillor Wood

## 83/11 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Mr C Craven, Mr S Hodgkinson, Mr J James and Councillor Richards.

## 84/11 Late items to be introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

#### 85/11 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

# 86/11 Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 16 February 2012

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 February 2012 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair, subject to the following amendment.

That under 73/11, the surname Mallander was spelt incorrectly and the correct spelling was Mallender.

## 87/11 Castleward Urban Village

The Committee received a report and presentation on Castleward Urban Village. It was reported that this was a key regeneration project that would create a new and vibrant community between Derby Railway Station and the city centre. It was explained that the urban village would contain approximately 800 homes, schools, community facilities and open spaces together with a boulevard link between the railway station and the city centre.

The Committee discussed the possibility of using local materials, such as brick and stone, so that the urban village would fit into its surroundings. The Committee also discussed the advantages of using a contrast of materials, such as polished brick, tiles and wood.

The Committee highlighted a limiting factor in that there appeared to be no place for the community to come together, such as a community building. It was reported to the Committee that the school hall could be available for use at certain times by the whole community.

The Committee agreed that a bridge ought to be used to link the urban village to Bass's Recreation Ground, rather than the proposed road crossing.

The Committee felt that the visual of the boulevard and commercial premises looked a little monotonous. The Committee suggested that there should be a variation in the heights of the facades and that a variation of shop fronts should be used.

#### Resolved to note the report.

## 88/11 Corporation Street Improvements

The Committee received a report from the Programme and Projects Manager on Corporation Street Improvements. It was reported that improvements to Corporation Street were being taken forward as part of the Council's Public Realm programme, to revitalise the setting of the Council House and knit together the Hydro, Riverlights, Riverside Gardens and Council House projects.

It was stated that one of the design judgements was to place trees on the Council House side of Corporation Street as this would create organic structure to the street and help to frame the building, whilst also providing enclosure and shade. The Programme and Projects Manager explained that the trees could not be planted into the ground due to a filled-in underpass and utility services and it was proposed to use planters to contain the root bowl. It was reported that the trees would also serve to protect the building from attack by stopping hostile vehicles.

The Committee were shown two image of the Council House side of Corporation Street; one with trees and one without. The Committee preferred the image without trees and felt that the view of the Council House should remain as open and unobstructed as possible.

#### Resolved:

- To note the report;
- to recommend that trees should not be placed on the Council House side of Corporation Street as part of the Corporation Street improvements.

## 89/11 Report on items determined since the last meeting

The Committee received an update on previous applications that had been determined since the last report.

#### Resolved to note the report.

## 90/11 Committee Report

#### **Friar Gate Conservation Area**

Application No. DER/01/12/00040 - Friary Hotel, Friar Gate, Derby, DE1 1FG

& Location:

**Proposal:** Retention of 2 externally illuminated hanging signs, 1 non illuminated

set of letters and four floodlights

The Committee raised no objections.

Application No. DER/02/12/00156 - 61 Friar Gate, Derby, DE1 1DJ

& Location:

**Proposal:** Demolition of wall and erection of boundary wall

The Committee raised no objections subject to the following conditions:

• that any existing bricks that can be re-used are re-used;

 that second hand bricks of a similar age be sourced or new bricks to match the existing;

that approved lime mortar mix and pointing methods be used;

• that the original bond be copied rather than only stretcher bond being used.

#### **Little Chester Conservation Area**

Application No. DER/01/12/00107 - 21 St. Pauls Road, Derby, DE1 3RS

& Location:

**Proposal:** Installation of two roof lights to the rear elevation

The Committee raised no objections subject to conservation roof lights being used.

Application No. DER/10/11/01212 - Bin Store adjacent Derwent House, Darley Park,

**& Location:** Old Chester Road, Derby

**Proposal:** Alterations to bin store to rebuild rear and side walls

**Application No.** DER/10/11/01213 - Bin Store adjacent Derwent House, Darley Park,

**& Location:** Old Chester Road, Derby

**Proposal:** Demolition of pillar, roof structure, rear and side walls and rebuilding of

side and rear walls

The Committee raised no objections. The Committee wished it be noted that the wall on the east side of the courtyard should not be altered at a future date due to the blind arcades.

#### Others - not in Conservation Areas Conservation Area

Application No. DER/02/12/00181 - 3 Mansfield Road, Derby, DE1 3QY (The Bridge

**& Location:** Inn)

**Proposal:** Display of various externally illuminated and non illuminated signage

The Committee raised no objections subject to all existing signage being removed and the new signage being positioned as near as possible to the old signage former locations.

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