

Time commenced – 5.15pm

Time finished – 6.35pm

CONSERVATION AREA ADVISORY COMMITTEE

10 April 2008

Present: Mr Craven (Victorian Society) (in the Chair)
Councillors Repton, Richards, Willoughby and Wood
Mr D Armstrong (Co-opted)
Mr P Billson (Derbyshire Historic Buildings Trust)
Mrs N Consterdine (Derby Civic Society)
Mrs J D'arcy (Derbys Archaeological Society)
Mr M Mallender (Co-opted)
Mr J Sharp (Ancient Monument Society)
Mr R Wyatt (RIBA)

City Council Officers:

Ms Susana Pando (Democratic Services)
Ms Rose Thompson (Regeneration and Community)
Ms Nicola Handa (Regeneration and Community)

78/07 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Care, S Khan, Mrs Craven, Mr Glenn, Mr J James, Mr Sharpe and Mrs Maltby.

79/07 Late Items Introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

80/07 Declarations of Interest

Mrs J D'arcy declared a personal prejudicial interest in application Code No. DER/03/08/00427 - Retention of re-roofing, 118 City Road.

81/07 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 March 2008 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

82/07 Report on Applications Determined Since the Last Report

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

83/07 Lighting PFI: Darley Abbey

The Committee discussed the initial proposals that had been put together by the PFI contractor for the lighting to Darley Abbey Conservation Area and made the following comments:

- It was requested a presentation by the PFI Contractor at the next meeting. The Committee would like to see clear visuals of the proposals, perhaps superimposed in their context, at both 5m and 6 m column heights. There was uncertainty on how the height of the existing columns would compare to the new columns. Visuals will enable the Committee to more easily assess the impact.
- It was requested that the PFI Contractor considers the costs and practicalities of restoring the existing columns
- The visual provided of the DW Windsor Warwick Lantern did not give an indication of the column height and therefore proportions.
- It was requested that the PFI Contractor considers other options other than the DW Windsor Warwick Lantern which was considered to be elaborate in design.
- It was requested that the PFI Contractor considers the option of lighting on buildings.

84/07 A Wayfinder and Public Art Masterplan for Derby Centre

The Committee made the following comments following a report describing the key principles and timescales for the development of the public art Masterplan for Derby Centre:

- It was requested that the masterplan considers aspects of the historic environment in any proposals. It was agreed that how the Committee could be involved in the process would be discussed with the appointed consultants and project team and reported at the next meeting.
- It was requested that the work undertakes an assessment of the existing signage and considers the principle of 'less clutter'. The Committee also emphasised the need for a proposal unique to Derby enhancing its unique character and heritage.

85/07 Tall Buildings Strategy

Mr D Armstrong, the nominated representative reported that a date had been set for the 2nd workshop on Tall Buildings Strategy, Wednesday April 23rd. A questionnaire had been distributed beforehand for completion prior to the workshop.

The outcome of the workshop and further information will be reported at the next meeting.

86/07 Committee Report

The Committee considered a report of the Assistant Director – Development, concerning applications received and resolved to make the following comments:

City Centre Conservation Area

- a) Code No. DER/02/08/00290 & DER/02/08/00291 - Former Police Station and Magistrates Court, Full Street

The Committee raised no objection and suggested a full photographic survey is undertaken to record the interior of the building prior to the commencement of works.

- b) Code No. DER/03/08/00480 - Alterations to Shop (Ductwork and Roof Plant) 28-31 Corn Market.

The Committee raised no objection subject to the Council's Conservation Officer negotiating a suitable visual treatment of the roofscape and confirmation that the plant cannot be seen from street level, particularly from the Spot and Albert St.

Darley Abbey Conservation Area

- c) Code No. DER/02/08/00416 - Erection of shed/garden room, 4 Lavender Row, Darley Abbey

The Committee objected and recommended refusal due to the proposed building being too large and intrusive, and sited too near to the backs of the nearby dwellings.

- d) Code No. DER/03/08/00403 - Land rear of 1-3 Lavender Row and 29 Mileash Lane, Darley Abbey

The Committee objected and recommended refusal on the grounds that the proposed dwelling is too intrusive and affects the setting of the listed buildings, Conservation Area and the World Heritage Site. The Committee raised the point that the World Heritage Site was designated after a previous permission was granted and that with this designation, a greater emphasis was placed on protecting the landscape.

Friar Gate Conservation Area

- e) Code Nos. DER/03/08/00386 & DER/03/08/00387 - Coach House rear of 28 Ashbourne Road

The Committee raised no objection.

Mickleover Conservation Area

- f) DER/02/08/00285 – Land at front of 8 The Green, Mickleover

The Committee raised no objection subject to the Council's Conservation Officer negotiating a clear joint between the rebuilding of the old wall and the new wall and also the re-use of the bricks where possible.

Little Chester Conservation Area

- g) Code No. DER/03/08/00427 - Retention of re-roofing, 118 City Road

The Committee objected and recommended refusal on the grounds that the roof covering neither preserves nor enhances the character of the Conservation Area.

Strutts Park Conservation Area

- h) Code No. DER/03/08/00467 - Extension to dwelling house to provide three bathrooms, 33 Kedleston Road

The Committee raised no objection subject to further details and materials to be submitted and approved by the Council's Conservation Officer.

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