Planning Committee 1 October 2007

Item No.

REPORT FOR CONSIDERATION AT PLANNING COMMITTEE

Reference No: HGY/2007/0921 Ward: Crouch End

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Address: Former Mountview Theatre School,104 Crouch Hill N8

Proposal: Conservation Area Consent for demolition of existing buildings in association with erection of 4 dwelling houses.

Existing Use: Theatre

Proposed Use: Residential

Applicant: City & Suburban Homes Ltd

Ownership: Private

PLANNING DESIGNATIONS

Retrieved from GIS on 14/05/2007 Tree Preservation Order Conservation Area Road Network: Classified Road

Officer Contact: Oliver Christian

RECOMMENDATION

GRANT PERMISSION subject to conditions

SITE AND SURROUNDINGS

The site, part of the former rear garden of 104 Crouch Hill – There are currently extension buildings of no architectural merit or value. There is a frontage onto Cecile Park.

The land slope down toward Cecile Park - The rear of the site backs onto the communal garden of a residential block of flats.

The site is within the Crouch End Conservation Area. The adjoining site contains a number of mature trees some that are the subject of Tree Preservation Orders (TPO's).

PLANNING HISTORY

1947/0091 GTD 31-07-47 Mountview Theatre 104 Crouch Hill Use for purposes for theatre club of large hall (excluding basement).

DETAILS OF PROPOSAL

The current proposal seeks the demolition of rear extension of existing theatre school buildings and erection of 4 x three bedroom dwelling houses.

This application should be assessed in conjunction with HGY2007/0920, a full application for the erection of 4 dwelling houses.

CONSULTATION

Local Residents – 1 -11 (o) flats 1 -7, 2, 4, 6 -18 Cecile Park 1 – 12 Ivor Court Crouch Hill 106 – 116 Crouch Hill 115 – 137 Crouch Hill Transportation Group Arboriculturist Conservation / Design Officer Building Control Hornsey CAAC Waste Management Conservation Advert 25/05/2007 Ward Councillors

RESPONSES

Hornsey CAAC - Does not object to the proposal in principle but requested some alteration to the proposal – these have been addressed in the revised proposal.

Conservation/Design Officer – Comments as follows: Overall, the principle of terraced residential development of high design quality at this site is welcome.

English Heritage – Happy in principle of development on this site and the broad approach of the proposal.

RELEVANT PLANNING POLICY

CSV1 Development in Conservation Areas CSV5 Alterations and Extensions in Conservation Areas CSV7 Demolition in Conservation Areas

Supplementary Planning Guidance

SPG 1a Design Guidance SPG3a Density et al SPG3b Privacy / Outlook

ANALYSIS / ASSESSMENT OF THE APPLICATION

The main issue is considered to be:-

1. Principle of demolition of the out buildings.

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The existing out buildings at the rear of the main building is poor in quality and of no architectural merit and as such there is no planning or conservation objection to their removal/demolition.

SUMMARY

The proposed demolition causes no harm as the existing buildings are of no architectural merit and is in line with Council policy especially CSV7 Demolition in Conservation Areas of Haringey Unitary Development Plan.

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Subject to the following condition(s)

1. The demolition hereby permitted shall not be undertaken before a contract for the carrying out of the works for redevelopment of the site has been made and planning permission granted for the redevelopment for which the contract provides.

Reason: In order to ensure that the site is not left open and vacant to the detriment of the character and visual amenities of the locality.

REASONS FOR APPROVAL

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