



Cambridge City Council

DEVELOPMENT CONTROL FORUM

10.00am

29 July 2009

The Guildhall, Cambridge

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Agenda

10.00am – Lensfield Hotel, 53–57 and 47–51 Lensfield Road, Cambridge

Planning Committee: Councillors Al Bander, Baker (Chair), Blair, Blencowe (Lab sp), Dixon (Vice Chair), Dryden, Hipkin, Reid and Stuart
Alternate: Zmura

1 Apologies

To receive any apologies for absence

2 Declarations Of Interest

Members are asked to declare at this stage any interests that they may have in an application shown on this agenda. If any member of the Committee is unsure whether or not they should declare an interest on a particular matter, they should seek advice from the Head of Legal Services **before** the meeting.

3 Introduction by Chair to the Forum

4 Application and Petition Details

Committee: Planning
Date: 19th August 2009
Application No: 09/0544/FUL
Site Address: Lensfield Hotel, 53-57 and 47-51 Lensfield Road, Cambridge
Description: Rear extension to Hotel, including Spa facility and extension to existing residential properties (work to include part change of use), re-instatement of railings and shutters to front elevation.

Applicant: The Lensfield Hotel
Agent: Linda S Russell
Address: 57 North Hill, Colchester, CO1 1PX
Telephone: 01206 766333
Lead Petitioner: Katie Maynard
Address: 2 Saxon Street, Cambridge, CB2 1HN
Telephone: 07737 892842
Case Officer: Catherine Linford
Text of Petition: We, the undersigned consider the proposed development to be inappropriate because the proposals completely ignore the integrity, form and materials of the Georgian Grade II listed terrace. The rear façade and vital garden space would be completely destroyed. The designs are not at all in keeping with the Grade II listed buildings. There is also a proposal of a spa facility (with underground plant room), which could also increase traffic on an already narrow lane in central Cambridge. The proposal in many ways would have a detrimental effect in a conservation area.

Information for Petitioners' and Applicants' Representatives

The aims of the Forum are to allow early discussion of the planning issues and to explore the scope for agreement and compromise between all sides.

Up to three representatives of the petitioners and up to three representatives of the applicants may attend and speak for a total period not exceeding 20 minutes.

The applicants' presentation is heard first and applicants are asked to start their presentation with a brief description of the application proposals.

For further information on the conduct of the Forum or the petition process, please see the Development Control Guidelines, a copy of this is available on the Council's website at <http://www.cambridge.gov.uk/ccm/content/development-control/development-control-forum.en> or contact the Council's Committee Section (01223) 457012.

Please let the Committee Manager know if you would like a briefing on the procedures at the Forum, if you have any other queries, or if you require any special facilities (for example an overhead projector).

Invitations to attend the Forum

Invitations to attend are sent to the lead petitioner(s), the applicant and agent, Members of the Committee that will be responsible for determining the application, the relevant Ward Councillors and Planning Officers.

Format of the Forum

The format of the Forum will be as follows for each application:

- Introduction by Chair and declaration of Councillor interests – **up to 5 minutes**
- Presentation of the application by the applicant/agent (up to 3 representatives) principally to address the issues raised by petitioners – **up to 15 minutes**
- Presentation of the views of the petitioners against the application (up to 3 representatives) – **up to 15 minutes**
- Presentation of the views of the petitioners in support of the application (where applicable) (up to 3 representatives) – **up to 15 minutes**
- Presentation by the planning officer – **up to 10 minutes**
- Member questions and issues arising – **up to 30 minutes**
- Summing up by the petitioners against the application – **up to 5 minutes**
- Summing up by the petitioners in support of the application – **up to 5 minutes**
- Final comments of the Chair

Information for the Public

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