1. Application No: 09/03167/FULL1 Ward:

**Chelsfield And Pratts** 

**Bottom** 

Address: Land Rear Of 104-108 Windsor Drive Conservation Area:NO

**Daleside Close Orpington** 

OS Grid Ref: E: 546318 N: 163867

Applicant: UPNA Ltd Objections: YES

# **Description of Development:**

Two detached two storey three bedroom dwellings with 4 car parking spaces and cycle store on land adjacent to 19 Daleside Close

### Proposal

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- It is proposed to erect two detached dwellings on this triangular-shaped plot of land which measures 0.039ha in area.
- The dwellings are two storey and each contain 3 bedrooms, but are different in size and shape.
- 2 frontage car parking spaces would be provided for each dwelling.
- Rear garden areas would be irregular in shape, and Plot 1 varies in depth from 8.5m to 11.3m, while Plot 2 would have an average garden depth of 7m.

### Location

This site is located adjacent to No.19 Daleside Close and to the rear of Nos.104, 106 and 108 Windsor Drive. It is accessed from the far end of Daleside Close via a narrow access road which also serves a pair of semi-detached dwellings (Nos.17 and 19) built during the early 1990s, and a row of garages which back onto No.16 Daleside Close.

The site also faces the rear boundaries of properties fronting Foxbury Drive, and there is an existing pedestrian access leading to the site from Foxbury Drive (between Nos.10 and 12).

#### **Comments from Local Residents**

Letters of objection have been received from nearby residents, and the main points raised are summarised as follows:

- proposals would prevent rear access to Nos. 104, 106 and 108
   Windsor Drive, some of which have rear garages
- may affect access to the rear of Foxbury Drive properties
- proposals are a fire risk due to inadequate access
- shouldn't allow further use of dangerous access road

- additional damage caused to access road from construction works
- construction works would cause noise and disturbance to nearby residents
- there should be lighting along the access road
- vehicular access should be from Foxbury Drive, and the access to Daleside Close closed off
- no need for further housing in the area

#### **Comments from Consultees**

The Council's highway engineer considers that the use of the narrow private access road to serve a further two dwellings is acceptable in highways terms, as is the provision of 2 car parking spaces per dwelling which is in line with the maximum parking standards. As the access road and turning area for the proposed dwellings are not within the site area, confirmation is required that the applicant has rights of access over this land. Members will be updated at the meeting.

The London Fire and Emergency Planning Authority raise no objections to the proposals subject to compliance with the fire consultants report regarding the provision of a sprinkler system and enhanced fire detection system.

Environmental Health request a condition be attached requiring the submission of a contaminated land assessment and remedial strategy where necessary prior to the commencement of works.

The Council's drainage engineer comments that as the nearest public foul sewer is at the head of Daleside Close, a condition should be attached requiring the submission of details of the proposed foul water drainage connection.

Thames Water raise no objections to the proposals in principle, whilst Waste Services comment that refuse should be placed at the edge of curtilage.

# **Planning Considerations**

The proposal falls to be considered primarily with regard to the following policies:

BE1 Design of New Development

H7 Housing Density and Design

H9 Side Space

T3 Parking

T18 Road Safety

### **Planning History**

Permission was granted in 1991 (ref. 91/01954) for the erection of 2 semidetached dwellings to the rear of Nos.13 and 15 Daleside Close which are now known as Nos.17 and 19 Daleside Close, and lie adjacent to the current application site.

#### Conclusions

The main issues in this case are the impact of the proposals on the character and appearance of the surrounding area, the amenities of neighbouring residential properties in terms of any loss of light, privacy and outlook, and on parking/access arrangements within the close vicinity.

The use of this area of land for residential purposes, served via the access road from Daleside Close has already been established by the granting of permission for the two dwellings adjacent at Nos.17 and 19, and would not, therefore, be out of character with the surrounding area in principle. Furthermore, the Council's highway engineer has raised no objection to extending the existing private access road to serve two additional dwellings.

The area of the site would be slightly less than the site occupied by Nos.17 and 19, and the size of Plot 2 is modest compared to the general vicinity. However, 1m separations are provided in accordance with side space policy and Members may consider that the dwellings would have adequate sized garden areas. The dwellings would be built slightly into the slope to reduce their impact in the street scene, and have been designed with low-level roofs, particularly in the case of Plot 2. The proposals are not, therefore, considered to be out of character with the surrounding area, and would not appear overdominant or unduly cramped within the street scene.

With regard to the impact on neighbouring properties, the dwellings would be situated a reasonable distance from residential properties in Foxbury Drive and Windsor Drive, and in relation to the latter, the new dwellings would be angled away from their rear elevations in order to reduce any likelihood of overlooking, with no windows proposed in the side elevations.

The proposed dwelling closest to No.19 Daleside Close would be situated 1m away from the side boundary, and would not project further to the rear of the adjoining dwelling. It would not, therefore, result in any loss of light to or prospect from this dwelling.

With regard to the issue raised by local residents in relation to rights of access to the rear of Windsor Drive properties, the applicant has confirmed that there are no legal rights for residents to pass over the site, and this would, in any case, be a private legal matter.

On balance, the proposals are not considered to have a detrimental impact on the character and appearance of the surrounding area, nor on the amenities of nearby residents. Background papers referred to during production of this report comprise all correspondence on files refs. 91/01954 and 09/03167, excluding exempt information.

as amended by documents received on 05.01.2010

# **RECOMMENDATION: PERMISSION**

# Subject to the following conditions:

| 1   | ACA01      | Commencement of development within 3 yrs        |
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|     | ACA01R     | A01 Reason 3 years                              |
| 2   | ACA04      | Landscaping Scheme - full app no details        |
|     | ACA04R     | Reason A04                                      |
| 3   | ACA07      | Boundary enclosure - no detail submitted        |
|     | ACA07R     | Reason A07                                      |
| 4   | ACC01      | Satisfactory materials (ext'nl surfaces)        |
|     | ACC01R     | Reason C01                                      |
| 5   | ACD02      | Surface water drainage - no det. submitt        |
|     | ADD02R     | Reason D02                                      |
| 6   | ACD04      | Foul water drainage - no details submitt        |
|     | ADD04R     | Reason D04                                      |
| 7   | ACH03      | Satisfactory parking - full application         |
|     | ACH03R     | Reason H03                                      |
| 8   | ACH16      | Hardstanding for wash-down facilities           |
|     | ACH16R     | Reason H16                                      |
| 9   | ACH27      | Arrangements for construction period            |
|     | ACH27R     | Reason H27                                      |
| 10  | ACI02      | Rest of "pd" Rights - Class A, B,C and E        |
|     | ACI03R     | Reason I03                                      |
| 11  | ACI13      | No windows (2 inserts) side dwellings           |
|     | ACI13R     | I13 reason (1 insert) BE1                       |
| 12  | ACI21      | Secured By Design                               |
|     | ACI21R     | I21 reason                                      |
| 13  | ACK05      | Slab levels - no details submitted              |
|     | ACK05R     | K05 reason                                      |
| 14  | ACK09      | Soil survey - contaminated land                 |
|     | ACK09R     | K09 reason                                      |
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- A side space of 1 metre shall be provided between the flank walls of the dwellings hereby permitted and their respective side boundaries.

  ACI09R Reason I09
- The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the recommendations of the fire consultants report submitted with the application in regard to the provision of a sprinkler system and enhanced fire detection system.

**Reason**: In order to provide a satisfactory form of development which complies with Fire Safety regulations.

### **Reasons for granting permission:**

In granting permission the Local Planning Authority had regard to the following

policies of the Unitary Development Plan:

BE1 Design of New DevelopmentH7 Housing Density and Design

H9 Side Space

T3 Parking

T18 Road Safety

The development is considered to be satisfactory in relation to the following:

- (a) the visual impact on the street scene
- (b) the character of the development in the surrounding area
- (c) the impact on the amenities of the occupiers of nearby residential properties
- (d) the transport policies of the development plan

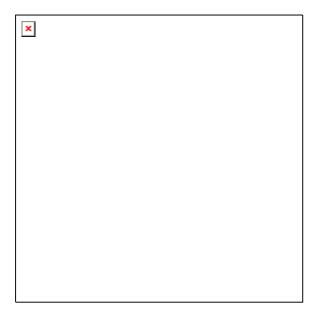
and having regard to all other matters raised, including neighbours concerns.

Reference: 09/03167/FULL1

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