

Planning Services

COMMITTEE REPORT

APPEAL UPDATE (EASINGTON AREA OFFICE)

Appeal by Mr P Watson

Site at 118 Wordsworth Avenue, Wheatley Hill, Durham, DH6 3RE

Planning Reference PL/5/2011/0249

An appeal was lodged against the Council's refusal for the retrospective erection of a 1.53m high boundary fence at the above site.

The inspectorate disagreed with the Authority's decision and concluded that the fence would provide an appropriate degree of privacy for the appellant's family and should it be stained a dark colour with additional landscaping, that any impact upon the streetscape would be mitigated.

The appeal was therefore allowed subject to conditions relating to staining the fencing and tree planting at the site.

Recommendation:

That the decision be noted.

APPEAL UPDATE (DURHAM AREA OFFICE)

Appeal by Mrs B Murphy

4 Wanless Terrace, Durham

PLANNING REFERENCE 4/11/00551/FPA

An appeal was lodged against the Council's refusal of the erection of a single storey pitched roof extension to rear, erection of dormer roof extension to rear, insertion of a window to front elevation and the insertion of 1no. rooflight to front of existing dwelling.

The Authority considered that the proposed rear dormer window as a result of its scale and design would represent a form of development which fails to remain sympathetic to the host property and would also fail to make a positive contribution to the Durham (City Centre) Conservation Area.

The appeal was dealt with via written representations and following their submission and consideration the Planning Inspector concluded that the proposed dormer would not be unduly dominating and given the limited visibility of the rear of the property, particularly from the public domain, it would preserve the character and appearance of the Durham City Centre Conservation Area.

The appeal was therefore allowed.

Recommendation:

That the decision be noted.