456 High Street

23/00625/FUL

Full planning application for the redevelopment to provide a residential development of 18no. apartments (12no. one bed and 6no. two bed) contained within two blocks, following demolition of an existing commercial building

Recommendation: Permit subject to a Unilateral Undertaking and conditions

Site location



Google satellite image



Google 3D image



The site



Views from High Street



View from apartment in Honeybourne Gate





View from apartment in Honeybourne Gate





View from Winston Churchill Gardens

Site context



442 – 452 High Street (to southeast)



View looking northwest along High Street



Honeybourne Gate (viewed from entrance to Winston Churchill Gardens)



453 High Street (opposite the site)

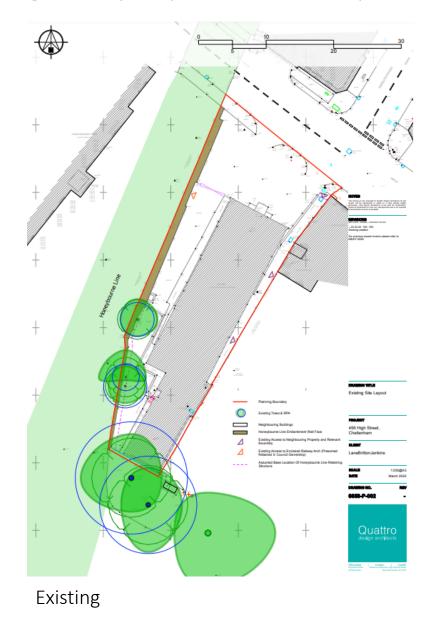


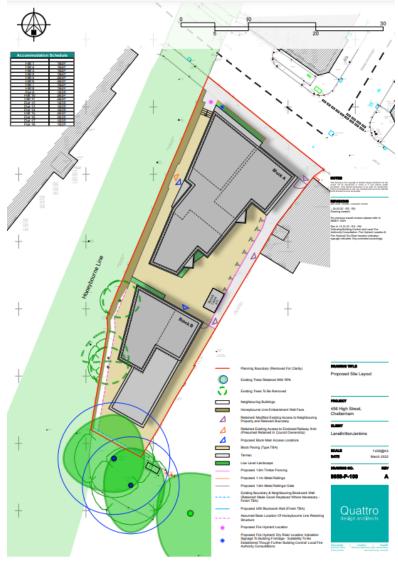
View looking north along Honeybourne Line



449 - 451 High Street (diagonally opposite the site to northeast)

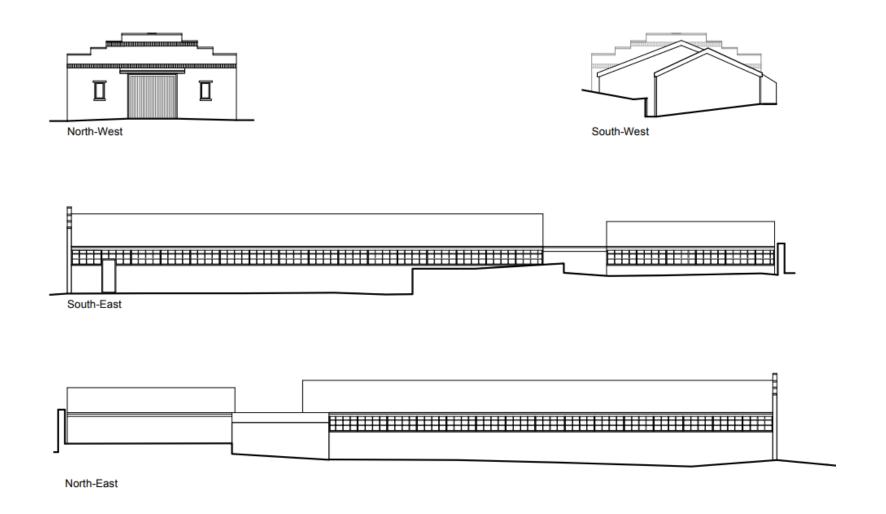
Existing and proposed site layout





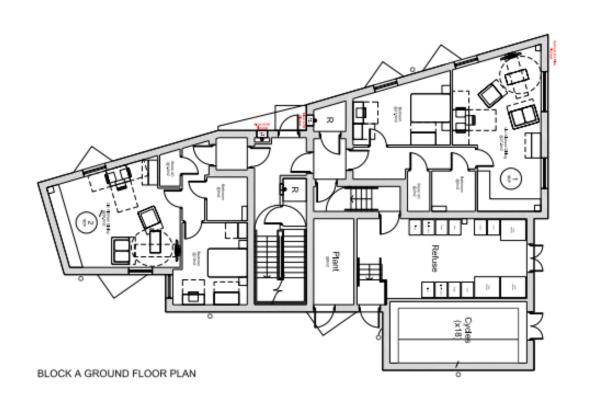
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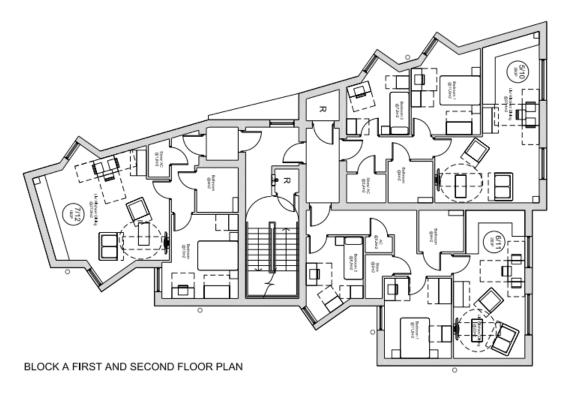
Existing building elevations



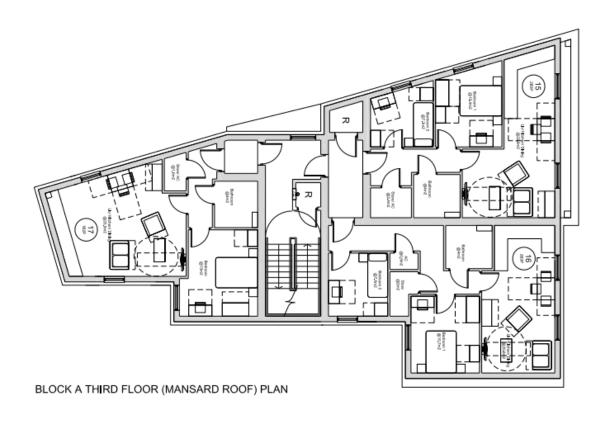
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Block A – Proposed ground, first and second floor plans





Block A – Proposed third floor plan



Block A – Proposed elevations



Block A North East Elevation



Block A South West Elevation

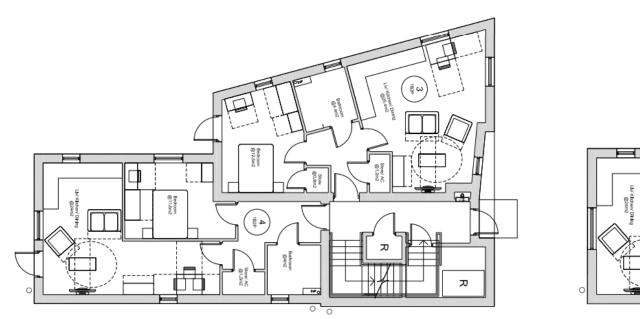


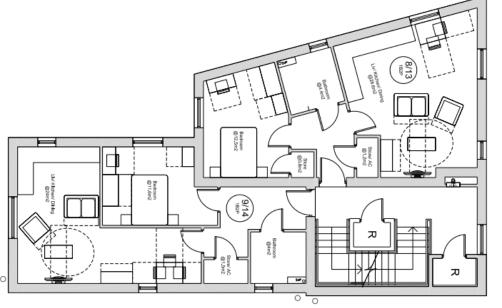
Block A South East Elevation



Block A North West Elevation

Block B – Proposed ground, first and second floor plans

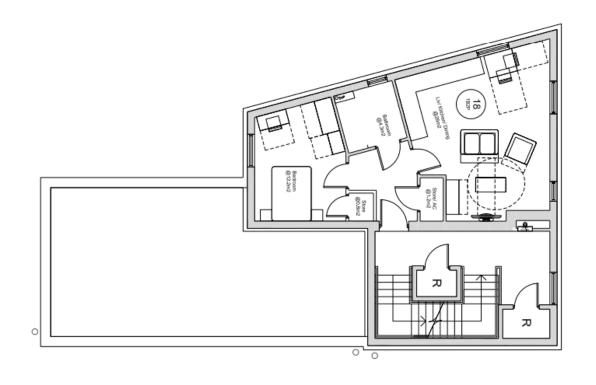




BLOCK B GROUND FLOOR PLAN

BLOCK B FIRST AND SECOND FLOOR PLAN

Block B – Proposed third floor plan



BLOCK B THIRD FLOOR (ROOF) PLAN

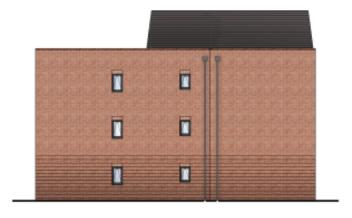
Block B – Proposed elevations



Block B North East Elevation



Block B South West Elevation

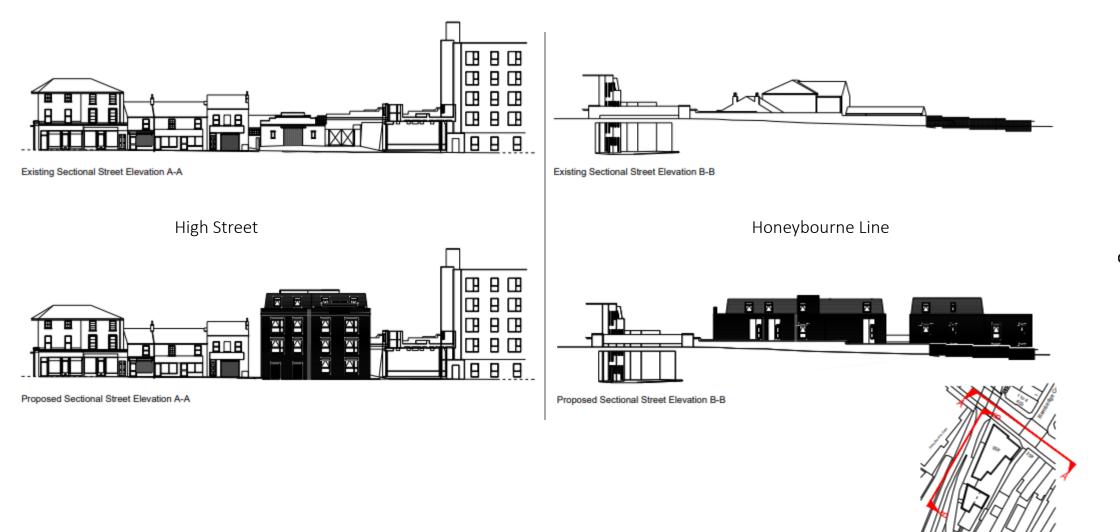


Block B South East Elevation



Block B North West Elevation

Existing and proposed street scene and sectional elevations



Comparative elevations

As originally proposed

As revised













Block A North East Elevation





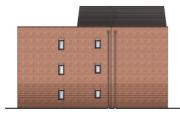
Block B North East Elevation

Block B North West Elevation









Block B South East Elevation

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Key planning matters

- Principle of re-development
- Design and layout
- Impact on the historic environment
- Climate change
- Parking and highway safety
- Affordable housing
- Neighbouring amenity
- Recreational impacts on Cotswold Beechwoods SAC

Summary of officer recommendation

- Officers are satisfied that the general principle of redeveloping this site for residential purposes is acceptable. The proposed development would, on balance, be in accordance with the aims and objectives of adopted CP policy EM2; and the site is located within the Principal Urban Area, wherein adopted JCS policy SD10 supports new housing development.
- The Council is currently unable to demonstrate a five-year housing land supply and therefore the 'tilted balance' in favour of granting permission is engaged. Whilst some harm has been identified, officers are satisfied any adverse impacts resulting from the scheme (as revised) are clearly outweighed by the benefits of providing 18no. residential units in this highly sustainable location.
- Although the number of proposed dwellings would normally trigger the need to provide 40% affordable housing, in this case, the viability of
 the scheme has been tested, and no affordable housing contribution can be secured.
- The amenity impacts of the proposed scheme have been carefully considered and, on balance, officers are satisfied that the development would not result in any unacceptable impact upon the amenities and living conditions of residential neighbours, or future occupiers.
- Whilst the Local Highway still consider some mitigation to be necessary, they confirm that the level of harm that would arise from this carfree development is not severe and as such "is unlikely to warrant refusing planning permission", with reference to paragraph 115 of the NPPF (2023). An informative is proposed to highlight the fact that future occupiers of the development would not be eligible for permits, should planning permission be granted.
- Suitable mitigation to address any adverse recreational impacts on the Cotswold Beechwoods SAC can be secured through the Unilateral Undertaking.
- Taking into account the economic, social, and environmental aspects of the application, as a whole, the proposed development would not result in any adverse impacts that would outweigh the clear benefits of the scheme.
- The recommendation therefore is to grant planning permission subject to a Unilateral Undertaking and the schedule of conditions set out within the update report.

Suggested conditions include (but are not limited to):

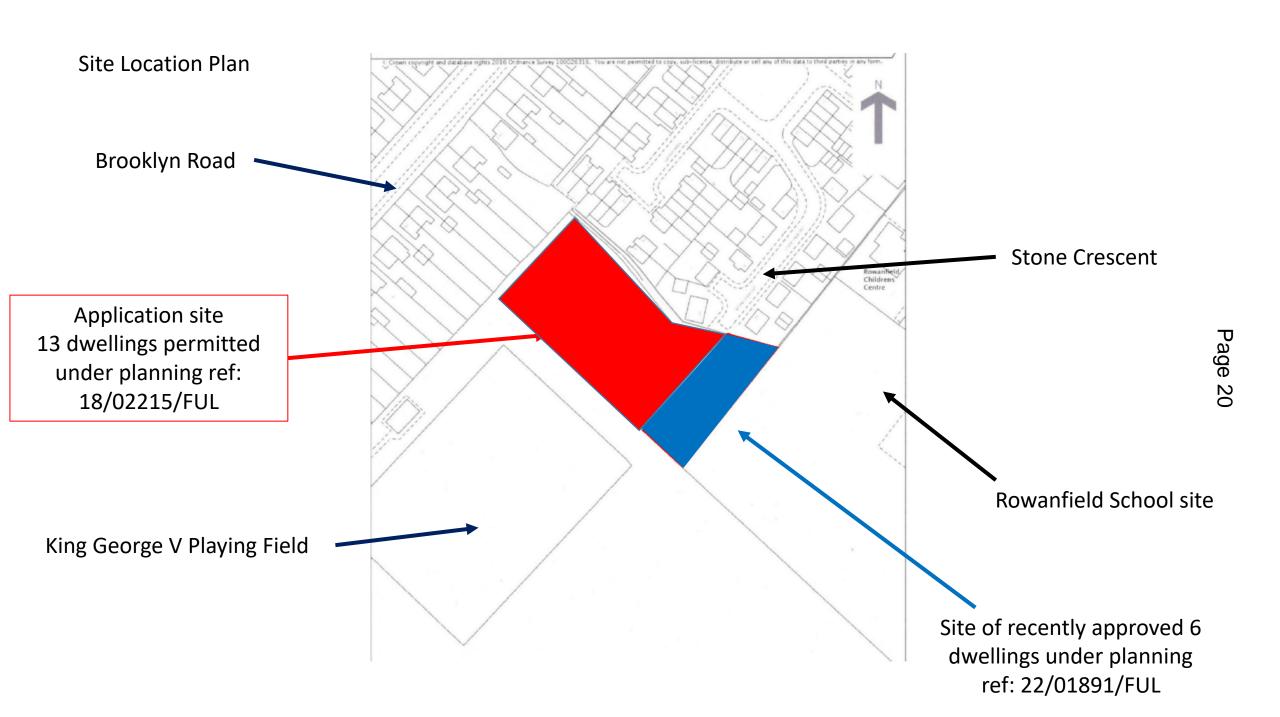
- Time limit 3 years
- Approved plans
- Contaminated land
- Construction management
- Site waste management
- Renewable or low carbon energy
- Drainage
- External facing and/or roofing materials
- Sample panel of brickwork
- Design details
- Landscaping
- Cycle storage
- Refuse and recycling
- Ecological enhancements

23/01545/CONDIT – Stone Crescent

Proposed works:

Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) - site layout changes, addition of solar panels to all house types, 3.no A house types replaced with 3no C house types, increase in ground floor plan of F house types and removal of affordable housing provision of planning permission 18/02215/FUL.

The application relates to amendments to an application previously approved by members at planning committee, therefore in the interests of transparency, the application has been brought back to committee for consideration.



Google Earth Image

Application site
13 dwellings permitted
under planning ref:
18/02215/FUL

King George V Playing Field



Site of recently approved 6 dwellings under planning ref: 22/01891/FUL



Google maps image of entrance to the application site from Stone Crescent

Site Photos





Photo taken from within the site looking north (towards Stone Crescent)

Photo taken from just inside the site looking south

Site Photos





Photo taken from within the site looking south west (towards King George V playing field)

Photo taken from the southern end of the site looking north (towards Stone Crescent)













Key Planning Matters

- Site layout
- Form and design
- Impact on neighbouring amenity
- Highway safety
- Affordable housing provision

Recommendation – <u>Permit, subject to conditions</u> and S.106 agreements:

The conditions attached to this recommendation broadly reflect those attached to the previous permission but have been amended/updated where necessary.

One additional condition has been suggested and relates to the installation of the Solar Panels.

The recommendation is subject to 2no. S.106 Agreements:

- Education Contribution
- Affordable Housing Late Stage Viability Review

24/00251/CONDIT – OAKLEY FARM

Proposed Development

Variation of condition 13 (access arrangements onto Harp Hill and road gradients) of outline planning permission 20/01069/OUT - revised wording of condition 13 in respect of road gradient lengths.

Outline planning permission for the construction of up to 250 dwellings at Oakley Farm was granted on appeal on 5th October 2022 with all matters reserved for future consideration (layout, scale, appearance, landscaping and access).

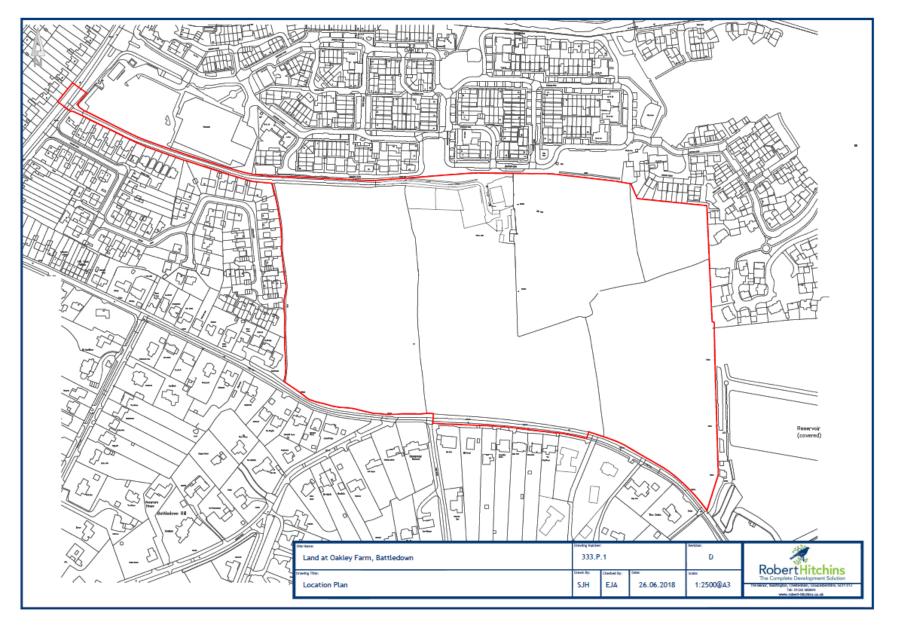
Permission subject to 31 conditions and 5no. s106 legal agreements.

Reserved Matters Application 23/01691/REM

Application for approval of Reserved Matters (access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) in accordance with the terms of the outline planning permission submitted in October 2023. Details also submitted in relation to conditions 6 (phasing), 9 (Energy and Sustainability Statement), 13 (Harp Hill access junction details) and 25 (hard and soft landscaping and boundary treatment).

Application deferred at December Planning Committee – proposed access and road design failed to comply with all requirements of Condition 13

Road gradients between 1/20 and 1/12 exceeded 30 metres in length (although where gradients of 1/12 are proposed, they do not exceed 30 metres in length)



Site Location Plan



Illustrative Masterplan



Alternative Illustrative Masterplan



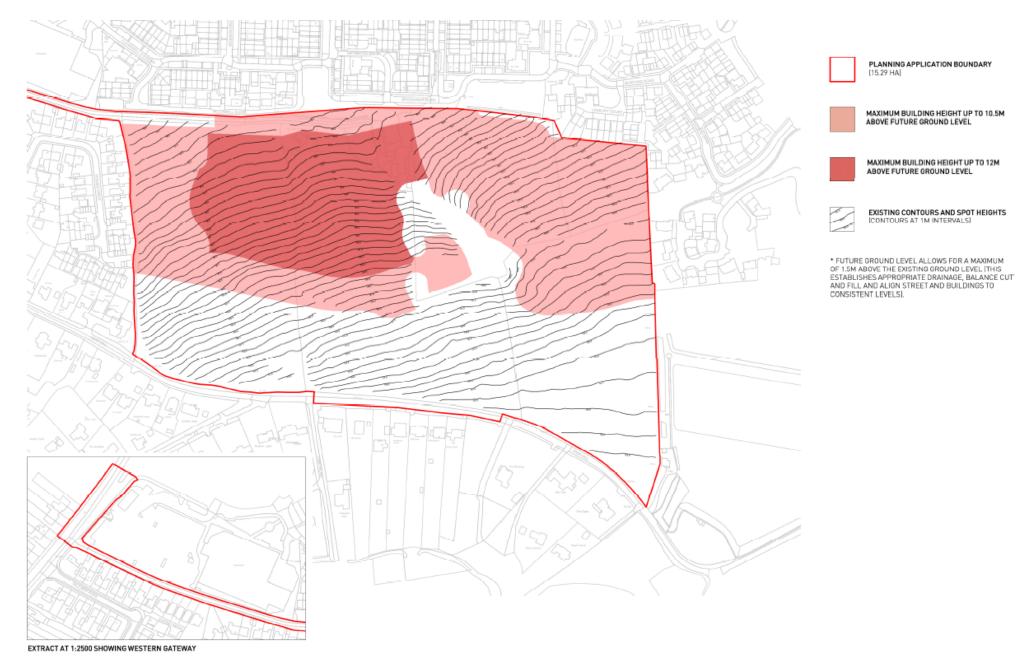
Land Use Parameter Plan

PLANNING APPLICATION BOUNDARY

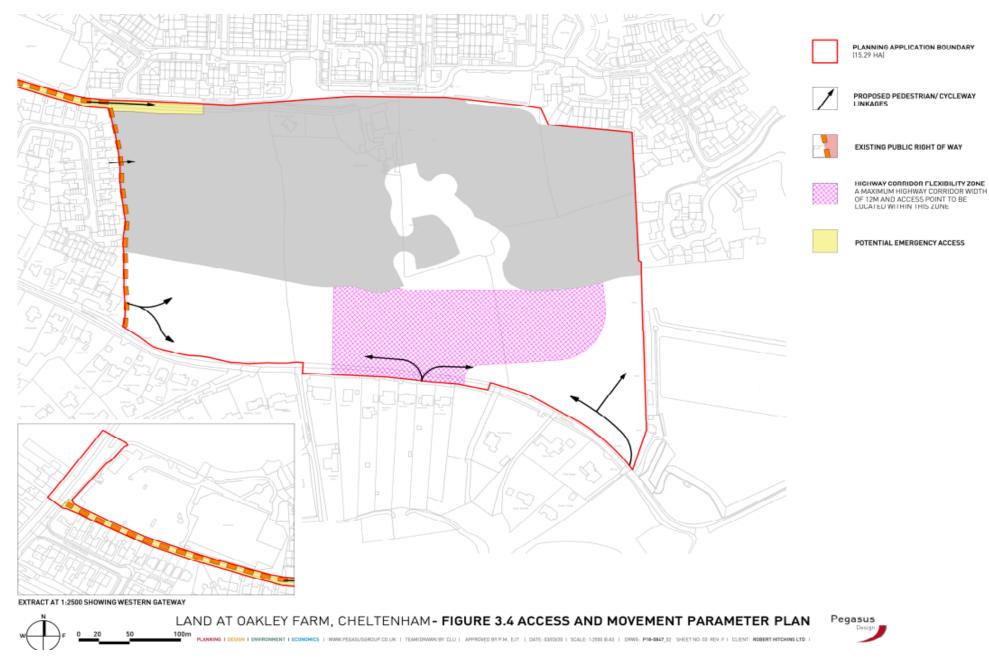
MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHT UP TO 10.5M ABOVE FUTURE GROUND LEVEL

MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHT UP TO 12M ABOVE FUTURE GROUND LEVEL

EXISTING CONTOURS AND SPOT HEIGHTS [CONTOURS AT 1M INTERVALS]



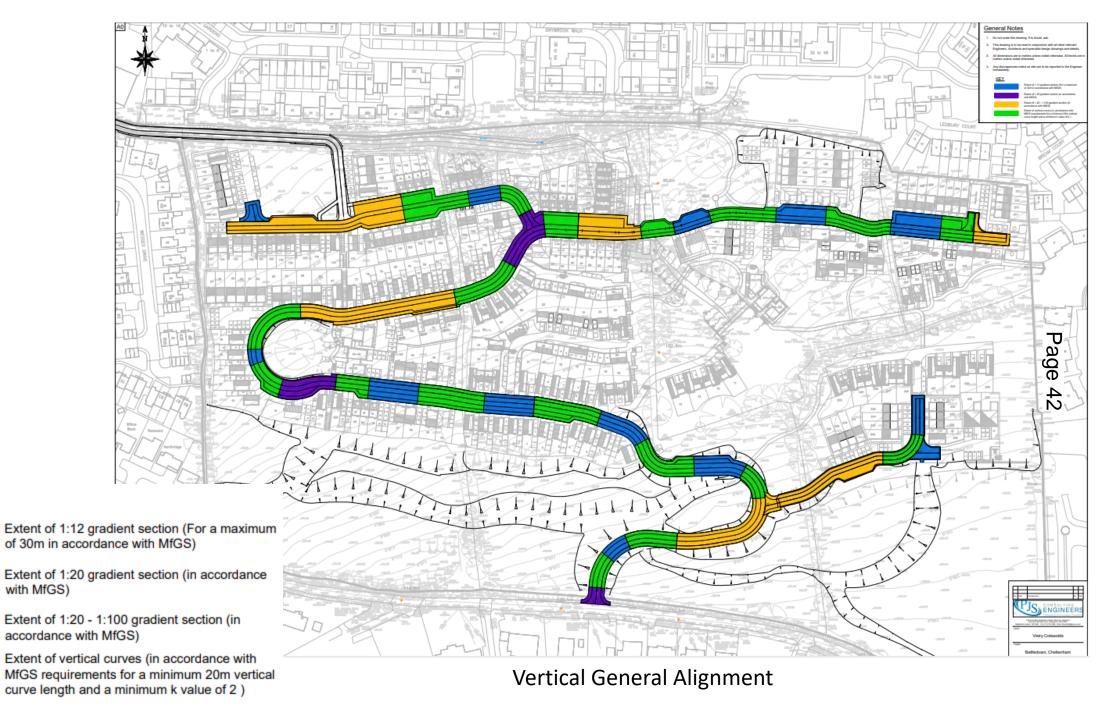
Building Heights Parameter Plan



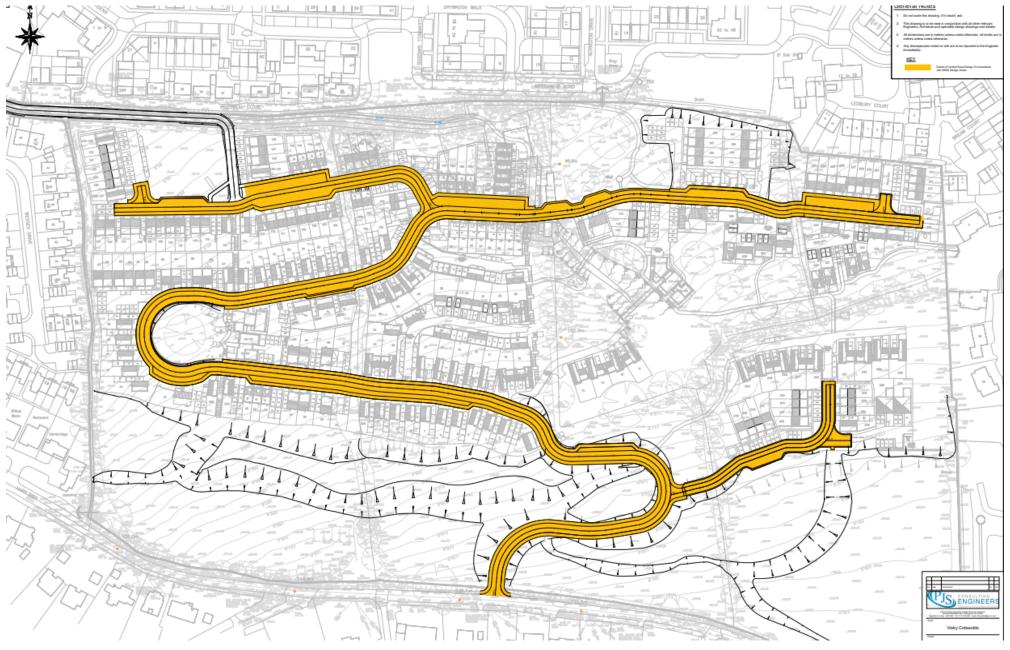
Access and Movements Parameter Plan



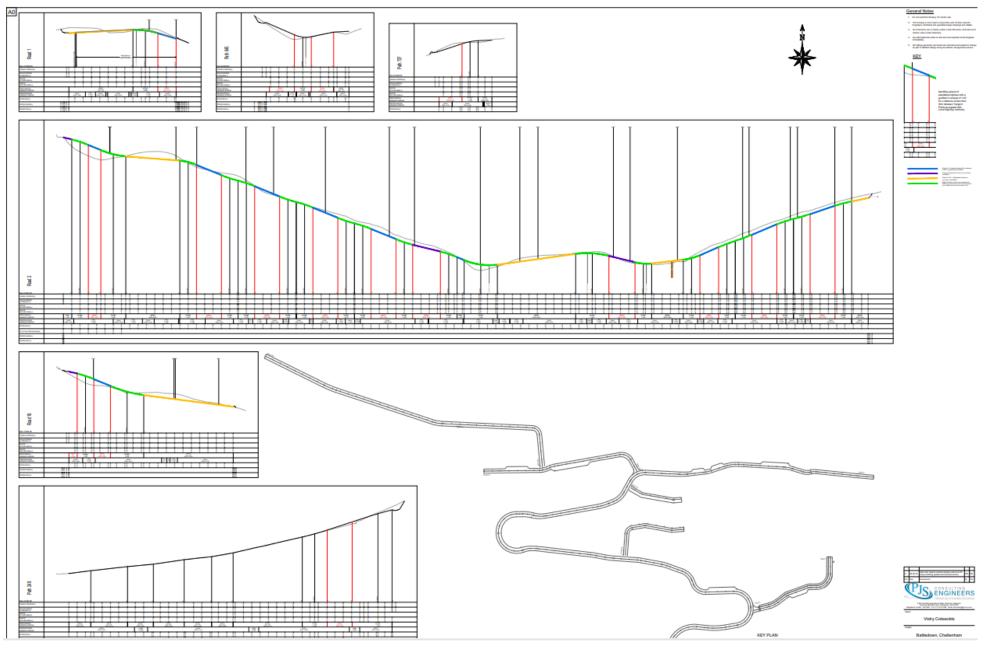
Reserved Matters Masterplan



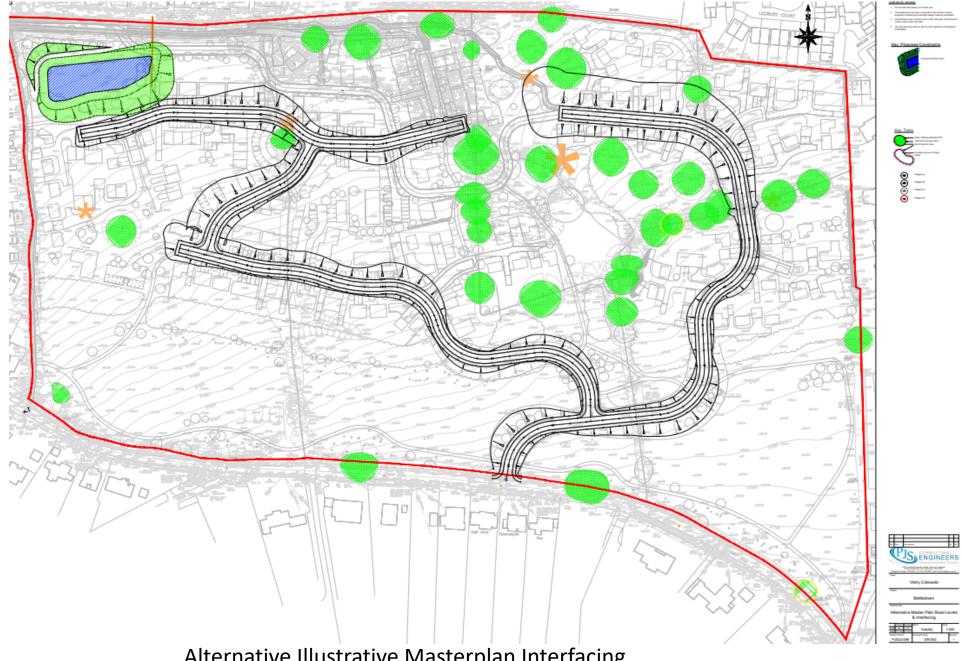
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Conformity with Manual for Gloucestershire Streets



Longitudinal Sections



Alternative Illustrative Masterplan Interfacing

Key Planning Matters

- Acceptability of allowing greater flexibility in lengths of road gradients between 1/20 and 1/12 (but with gradients of 1/12 not exceeding 30 metres in length)
- Whether the proposed variation of Condition 13 (and subsequent reserved matters scheme) conforms with the required standards set by Manual for Gloucestershire Streets (MfGS)
- Road User Accessibility and Highway safety

Statutory consultee response of the Highway Authority

 Potential adverse impacts on the environment and designated heritage assets at reserved matters stage should Condition 13 remain unchanged.

Wider character and landscape qualities of the Cotswold National Landscape (AONB)

TPO trees and other landscape features

Grade II listed structures at Hewlett's Reservoir and ridge and furrow landform

- Potential impact on the amenities of neighbouring properties at reserved matters stage should Condition 13 remain unchanged
- Council's 5 year Housing Land Supply position and the 'tilted balance' in favour of sustainable development

Ambiguity in the current wording of Condition 13

Counsel legal advice

Relevant sections of the appeal decision and Inspector's conclusions on road gradients

Recommendation

Recommendation is to permit and allow the variation of Condition 13 as follows:-

Notwithstanding the illustrative proposed access arrangements on to Harp Hill, as shown on Access and Movement Parameter Plan ref: P18-0847_02 Sheet No.3 rev F and the Alternative Illustrative Masterplan ref. 18017.202 Rev B, full details of the proposed access junction on to Harp Hill shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority as part of the first reserved matters submission. The access shall be installed in accordance with the approved details and made available for use prior to the first occupation of any dwelling. The reserved matters submissions relating to access are required to be generally designed in accordance with the Manual for Gloucestershire Streets so that maximum and minimum gradients allowable will be between 1/20 and 1/100 respectively, save that gradients between 1/20 and 1/12 are permissible, provided that where they are proposed gradients of 1/12 shall be limited to maximum lengths of 30 metres. Where 7 gradients between 1/20 and 1/12 are proposed, and where their respective lengths exceed 30 metres, the reserved matters submissions relating to access shall include evidence, to the satisfaction of the local planning authority, that site typography and the need to retain important existing landscape features and protect both the environment and amenities of neighbouring land users, necessitate proposed gradients between 1/20 and 1/12.

Reason: To ensure that safe and suitable access is provided for all users and is maintained in the interests of highway safety having regard to adopted policy INF1 of the Joint Core Strategy (2017) and section 9 of the NPPF (2023).

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Flat 1 16 Eldorado Road 23/02140/FUL

Proposed works:

Replacement of existing critall (metal) 3no. windows with 3no. white aluminium windows

The application is at planning committee as Cheltenham Borough Homes are the applicant and Cheltenham Borough Council are the landowner.

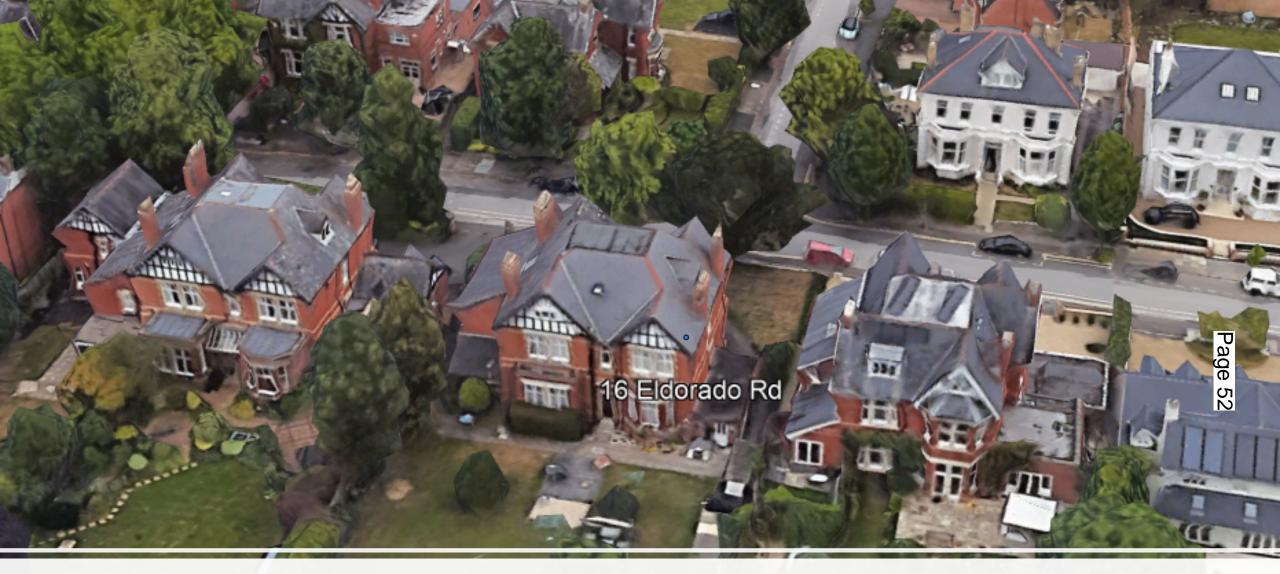


Site Location Plan

Google Earth Image



Site Photo



Google Earth Pro Image

Existing Hallway window

Existing Kitchen Window

Existing bathroom window







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Window

Proposed Hall



Window

Proposed Kitchen

Key Planning Matters

- Design and conservation area
- Neighbouring amenity
- Sustainability

Recommendation - Permit

Conditions:

- Time
- Approved plans

24/00096/FUL- Dinas Road

Proposed works:

External Insulation to properties numbered: 01,03,05,07,10,16,18,20,21,24,26,27,28,31,32,33 and 37 Dinas Road. Finished with render and brick slip system to provide coins and plinth.

The application is at planning committee as CBC are the applicant and the landowner





Site Location Plan



Application site properties in Dinas Road



Application site properties in Dinas Road



Application site properties in Dinas Road



Local context photos - Properties in Dinas Close



Local context photos - Properties in Warden Hill Road



Front Elevation

Existing Elevations

Front Elevation

Proposed Elevations

Example works

Key Planning Matters

- Design
- Impact on neighbouring amenity
- Sustainability

Recommendation – Permit

Conditions:

FUL:

- Time
- Approved plans
- Brick slip material