

APPLICATION NO: 14/01810/FUL		OFFICER: Mr Craig Hemphill	
DATE REGISTERED: 13th October 2014		DATE OF EXPIRY: 8th December 2014	
WARD: Park		PARISH:	
APPLICANT:	Cheltenham Borough Council		
AGENT:	Mr Stephen Rosagro		
LOCATION:	Mellersh House, Painswick Road, Cheltenham		
PROPOSAL:	New bin store area located by the communal front entrance in Andover Road and drop kerb on Andover Road		

Update to Officer Report

1. OFFICER COMMENTS

- 1.1. Mellersh House is made up of a total of 15 residential flats.
- 1.2. Ubico have upper limits for individual residential bin provision within the Borough. Prior to submitting the application, Cheltenham Borough Homes consulted with Ubico to establish the bin provision that a site of this size would require. The bin provision proposed, two large 1100 bins for general waste with 4 180lts recycling bins, complies with the Ubico advice. All residents throughout Cheltenham have to comply with these upper limits unless very special circumstances can be provided. The existing bin provision at the site therefore exceeds normal standards.
- 1.3. To confirm all of the bins present at the site are to be removed and replaced as per above.
- 1.4. On Planning View, Members observed a large number of bins present, some of which had been overfilled, with a number of refuse bags also being located on the ground. It was also apparent on Planning View that the bins had been filled by both non-recycling and recycling material. Although this cross contamination is taking place it has been confirmed that the bins are always emptied, with stickers placed on the bins bringing this to the attention of the residents.
- 1.5. It is understood that the bin collection day for this site is on a Wednesday and therefore a visit on a Tuesday afternoon will reveal bin capacity to be at the higher level.
- 1.6. Cheltenham Borough Homes accept that there is an over provision of bins at the site, and the subsequent approach taken by the residents on waste needs to be addressed. CBC has confirmed they will be engaging with the residents to improve knowledge and practice on waste.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATIVE:

- 2 It is evident that a large amount of recyclable material is being disposed of in the standard refuse bins. Cheltenham Borough Homes is encouraged to engage with the residents of Mellersh House to inform residents and encourage recycling.