

## **Planning Applications Committee: 14 February 2013**

### **Updates to reports for consideration**

**Application No: 12/01885/O, Former Lakenham Sports & Leisure Centre,  
Carshalton Road, Norwich** **Page: 61**

#### **Further correspondence**

A local resident has requested that the presence of house sparrows be recorded as a material planning consideration.

#### **Response**

The County Council Ecologist and Norwich City Council's Natural Areas Officer have both responded to the application and commented that the submitted Ecological Report is acceptable. Details can be found at paragraph 28 of the officer report and under the comments of Statutory and Internal Consultees.

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**Application No: 12/01976/F,  
Norwich Playhouse Bar 42 - 58 St Georges Street Norwich.** **Page: 87**

#### **Amended Drawings**

Since the report was written the applicant has removed the replacement rear folding glass doors (four pairs) from the proposal. This means that the existing sliding glass doors (of which only two pairs slide open) will remain.

#### **Response**

There had been a concern from the residents that the originally proposed new folding rear doors would have the effect of potentially allowing more noise to escape from the bar (because the current sliding doors only open half way). Now that this part of the proposal has been withdrawn this particular issue should not be a concern.

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**Application No: 12/01598/VC,  
Site of Wentworth Gardens, former Civil Service Sports Ground,  
Wentworth Green, Norwich.** **Page: 23**

#### **Amended Drawings and responses**

Since the report was written the applicant has addressed the points requested for revision in the Committee Report in response to some of the outstanding neighbour concerns, namely:

- Located the 'missing Oak' in Group G4 referenced at Para. 20, (page 28), and discussed at Para. 57-58 (page 36). The Oak is now shown in a revised version of the plan seen at page 43 and is proposed for crown reduction by 1-2m on the neighbours' side in Year 1, shown on revised Tree Protection Plan 1097/GEN/099 - TPP Revision K and the management plan schedule of works and maintenance (Appendix 1).

- The direction of phased felling of woodland tree belt W2 along Donkey Lane has been reversed, as requested at Para 43 (Page 34). This provides more shelter to the exposed face of the remaining phases and removes those beech trees closest to the neighbouring residents first. This is shown in both the revised Tree Protection Plan 1097/GEN/099 - TPP Revision K and the management plan schedule of works and maintenance (Appendix 1).
- Within the Scots Pines in the southern corner, the TPO group G3, the Lombardy Poplars interspersing the Scots Pines will be removed as requested at Para 54 (page 36). The two small groups of existing poplars are to be removed and their stumps ground out in Year 1 (2013 or prior to first occupation of the final dwelling on site), and replaced with new plantings of 9no. semi-mature Scots Pines in total, also in Year 1. This maintains the privacy of adjoining residents and provides a much-improved continuity of the whole group of Scots Pines, addressing the concerns discussed reported at Paras 52-54 (Page 35). The proposals are shown in both the revised Tree Protection Plan 1097/GEN/099 - TPP Revision K and the management plan schedule of works and maintenance (Appendix 1).
- As a point of admin, the references in the former submitted documents and plans to TPO 30, Group G4 (in eastern corner by Carnoustie) have been changed in new plans and docs to actually be TPO 36 Group G4.
- A new informative note will be needed to remind the applicant that specific tree Works applications will be needed to those works on the TPO 36 Group G4. Failure to make the application would be contrary to the conditions and legal agreement of the new permission.
- The applicant has explained how the submitted plans for replanting with the new mixed range of species will promote insect life, bird use and overall ecology, so minimising the impacts from the beech losses and enriching the woodland edge. Essentially, the wildflower mix will be provided to the bare earth at the time of woodland planting and Honeysuckle has also been added to the understory mix. We are also reminded that the existing Ivy is to be retained in places and the proposed tree and understory plant mixes have been detailed in consultation with a qualified Ecologist to enhance the ecological value and aid future maintenance. These are shown in a revised Woodland Planting schedule to TPO Areas W1 and W2, and within the revised Woodland Planting Scheme plan 6103-WPS01 Version C.

#### **Additional neighbour representation**

- A new neighbour letter has been received, airing concerns that the loss of trees causes removes a CO2 store.
  - In response, replacement planting will exceed the biomass lost.