



**Planning Applications Committee**

**09:30 to 10:00**

**13 July 2023**

Present: Councillors Driver (chair), Sands (M) (vice chair following election), Calvert, Champion, Hoechner, Lubbock, Peek, Price, Prinsley, Sands (S), Stutely and Young

Apologies: Councillors Thomas (Va) and Thomas (Vi)

**1. Declarations of interests**

There were no declarations of interests.

**2. Minutes**

**RESOLVED** to approve the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 8 June 2023.

**3. Application nos 23/00191/F and 23/00192/L – 20 Magdalen Street, Norwich, NR3 1HU**

The planner (case officer) presented the report. There had been three objections to the original proposal and subsequently the plans had been revised to retain as much of the historic fabric of the shopfront as possible. He referred to the supplementary report of updates to reports, which had been circulated before the meeting and available on the council's website, and explained that the descriptions on the agenda and report did not accurately match the descriptions of the applications, and should read as follows:

“23/00191/F – Alterations to shopfront including new doorway and windows.

23/00192/L – Alterations to shopfront including new doorway, windows and suspended ceiling.”

The planner and the development management team leader answered members' questions. This included confirmation that the council's conservation and design officer had assessed the premises and was satisfied that the suspended ceiling would protect the original ceiling which could be exposed in future; that the timber shopfront could be retained or repaired, and that the proposed use of grey paint was acceptable for this listed building. Members were advised that the applications were for alterations to the shopfront and suspended ceilings, and although thermal

efficiency would be improved by the alterations to the glazing of the windows, the proposals did not include increasing the energy efficiency of the premises.

During discussion the committee considered that despite the significant changes to the applications, the description was misleading as it contained the original proposal for a new doorway. Councillor Price moved and Councillor Sands (M) seconded that for clarification, to ask officers to change the description of the planning application and listed building consent should be changed in accordance with the revised plans, and on being put to the vote the proposal was carried unanimously.

In reply to a member's question, the planner explained that the objections had been received in response to proposals not included in the revised plans. Each of the objectors had been written to and whilst they had not withdrawn their objections, the assumption was that they were satisfied with the revised plans as they had made no further representations.

A member said that he was dissatisfied that the applicant had installed the suspended ceiling without listed building consent but noted that this was to prepare for an existing business to move into the premises.

The chair moved and the vice chair seconded the recommendations as set out in the report.

A member commented that this scheme was good compromise to retain the historic fabric of the building for use by an existing business but asked that, as the applicant had installed the suspended ceiling without listed planning consent, that the works were carried out under supervision.

**RESOLVED**, unanimously, to approve:

- (1) application 23/00191/F at 20 Magdalen Street, Norwich NR3 1HU and grant planning permission subject to the following conditions:
  1. Standard time limit;
  2. In accordance with plans.

Informatives:

1. Advert consent required
- (2) application 23/00192/L at 20 Magdalen Street, Norwich NR3 1HU and grant listed building consent subject to the following conditions:
  1. Time limit listed;
  2. In accordance with plans;
  3. External finished restriction;
  4. Making good within 6 months.

Informatives:

1. Listed building consent;
2. Original historic fabric retention;

3. Conservation areas and trees;
  4. Asbestos;
  5. Scaffolding;
  6. New paint to be clay/mineral based breathable paint.
- (3) ask the Head of Planning and Regulatory Services to change the description Application nos 23/00191/F and 23/00192/L – 20 Magdalen Street, Norwich, NR3 1HU to reflect the plans.

CHAIR