

OLYMPIC DELIVERY AUTHORITY

ODA PLANNING COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: MINUTES OF 38th COMMITTEE MEETING

Held on 27 January 2009 at 18.00

Old Town Hall, Stratford, 29 Broadway, London E15 4BQ

Present:

Lorraine Baldry	Chairman
David Taylor	Deputy Chairman

Local Authority Members:

Cllr Rofique Ahmed	LB Tower Hamlets
Cllr Geoff Taylor	LB Hackney
Cllr Terry Wheeler	LB Waltham Forest

Independent Members:

Mike Appleton
Celia Carrington
William Hodgson
Janice Morphet
Dru Vesty

Officers in attendance:

Vivienne Ramsey	ODA, Head of Development Control
Anthony Hollingsworth	ODA, Chief Planner Development Control, Planning Decisions Team
Richard Griffiths	ODA, Legal adviser, Planning Decisions Team, (Pinsent Masons)
Vanessa Brand	ODA, Committee Secretary

**1. APOLOGIES
(AGENDA ITEM 1)**

1.1. Apologies were received from Councillor Conor McAuley who was not able to attend the meeting.

2. UPDATES, ORDER OF BUSINESS, AND REQUESTS TO SPEAK (AGENDA ITEM 2)

- 2.1. There was an Update for Item 5.
- 2.2. The order of business was unchanged.
- 2.3. Simon Fraser (Allies & Morrison) had requested to speak in favour of Item 5 on behalf of the applicant.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (AGENDA ITEM 3)

- 3.1. The Secretary read the following statement:

Members of this Planning Committee need to declare personal interests relevant to the agenda at the beginning of each meeting of the Planning Committee.

'Members will see that the paper for Item 3 which has been circulated lists interests which they have declared which appear to be personal interests relating to Items 5 & 6.

'Would Members please confirm that the declarations of personal interests listed in the paper for Item 3 are correct; and state if there are any other interests you wish to declare?

'Personal interests are prejudicial if a reasonable member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would conclude that the nature of your personal interest is such that your judgement of the public interest is likely to be affected. If, by virtue of your personal interest you have been involved in decisions about these proposals, you may have a prejudicial interest. In that circumstance you would need to leave the meeting during the consideration of that item. In light of the agenda before you this evening, please state whether or not any of the interests declared are prejudicial interests?'

Members confirmed that the personal interests read out were correct and the following additional personal interest was declared:

Janice Morphet declared that she worked with Capita Symonds, who were the agents for Item 5, as a co-consultant for work unrelated to the application.

None of the personal interests were considered prejudicial.

4. MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING (AGENDA ITEM 4)

- 4.1. The Committee

AGREED the Minutes of the 37th Planning Committee Meeting.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

5. APPLICATION NO: 08/90309/REMODA (AGENDA ITEM 5)

Bridge H05

Reserved Matters application for the construction of bridge H05 as a partial discharge of Conditions OD.0.19 (details of bridges) and OD.0.59 (foundation details) in respect of the Olympic Facilities and Legacy Transformation Application (07/90010/OUMODA).

Olympic Park Planning Delivery Zones 1&2. Proposed Bridge H05 crosses the Waterworks River to the East of the Main Stadium, to the West of the Great Eastern Railway and to the North of The Greenway within the London Borough of Newham

- 5.1. Simon Fraser (Allies & Morrison) spoke in favour of the proposals on behalf of the applicant. He showed drawings and illustrations of the proposed H05 bridge, including the stone-filled basket cladding to the abutment on the West bank of the Waterworks River. He explained that the planting of each of the gabion abutments erected within the Park would be appropriately designed for its context. He also showed illustrative drawings of the junction with the river walk and stairs leading down to the towpath on the eastern side of the river. These works, which were being designed by Allies & Morrison, were not part of the application but formed part of the Park and Public Realm application. The stairs would be constructed before the Games but would not be accessible to the public during the Games.
- 5.2. A Planning Officer then gave a presentation to the Committee who considered the report and took into account the Update which had been circulated. The application was for approval of reserved matters for the construction of highway bridge H05 as a discharge of details required by conditions OD.0.19 and OD.0.59 of the Olympic and Legacy Facilities Planning Permission (reference 07/90010/OUMODA). The Update recommended that rather than a partial discharge of condition OD.0.19, both conditions be discharged subject to a condition as set out in the report.
- 5.3. The Chief Planner Development Control reported that officers had inspected a sample of the stone-filled baskets on site earlier that day and he showed the Committee a photograph. Members agreed that this second sample had addressed many of the design faults on which they had previously commented, though some details remained to be improved (such as the treatment of the mesh at ground level). They requested that officers inspect an example of stone-filled baskets as executed at Mile End Park and note the need to consider carefully the planting and the control of grass growing within the baskets. Members were, however, happy with progress of the stone-filled baskets and agreed to leave the resolution of any finer details relating to the stone-filled baskets to officers. Accordingly, the Chief Planner Development Control recommended deleting the second part of the condition relating to the stone-filled baskets. Members agreed with this recommendation and noted that they would see an updated sample during the site visit planned for 24 March 2009.
- 5.4. Members also noted that both the staircases and the solid concrete parapet illustrated on the Eastern side close to the Aquatics Centre were excluded from

this application, but were to be included in the application for the Park and Public Realm which had been submitted to the planning authority.

5.5. There being no further questions the Chairman moved to a vote and the Planning Committee RESOLVED unanimously that:

the Committee

- a) APPROVED the Reserved Matters application for the access, appearance, layout and scale of bridge H05 providing a discharge of Condition OD.0.19 in accordance with the submitted details and discharge of condition OD.0.59 (foundation details) of Olympic and Legacy Facilities Planning Permission Reference 07/90010/OUMODA subject to the condition:

Condition

Before the following elements of the proposals are implemented, full details shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority:

- i. Samples and drawings showing the final detailed specification of the parapets and transitions to adjoining parapets.

The development shall be implemented in accordance with the agreed details unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority

Reason: to ensure that the detailed design of these elements is satisfactory

6. REQUEST FOR DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO DETERMINE THE RE-SUBMISSION OF RESERVED MATTERS APPLICATIONS FOR PLOTS N03, N04, N07, AND N15 (AGENDA ITEM 6)

6.1. A Planning Officer gave a presentation to the Committee who considered the report. The Committee had previously approved Reserved Matters applications for blocks N03, N04, N07, and N15 pursuant to the implemented outline planning permission 07/90023/VARODA. Since those decisions the applicant had revised some design details which necessitated a re-submission for reserved matters approval. The principles of the approved applications would, however, be maintained and the Committee were therefore recommended to delegate authority to the Head of Development Control to determine the applications when re-submitted.

6.2. Members noted that the applicant was reviewing the location of the housing elements within each block but that the proposals would meet the requirements for the housing mix as defined in the overall site-wide housing strategy.

6.3. Members also noted that the Head of Development Control would report any changes which she considered might be contentious and they requested that examples of the revised designs should be brought to them for information in due course.

6.4. There being no further questions the Chairman moved to a vote and the Planning Committee RESOLVED unanimously that they

AGREED that the re-submitted Reserved Matters Applications for Plots N03, N04, N07, and N15 be determined under delegated authority at the discretion of the Head of Development Control.

**7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS
(AGENDA ITEM 8)**

There being no other business the meeting closed at 6.32 pm

Signature L Balem

Chair

Date 25/3/2009

