

OLYMPIC DELIVERY AUTHORITY

ODA PLANNING COMMITTEE

27 March 2007

AGENDA ITEM: 4

SUBJECT: **MINUTES OF 6th COMMITTEE MEETING**

Held on 23 January 2007 at 16.00

The Ocean, 270 Mare Street, Hackney, London E8 1HE

Present: Lorraine Baldry Chairman
David Taylor Deputy Chairman (from item 5)

Local Authority Members:

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

Independent Members:

Michael 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
Dawn Blackwell 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 (LB Newham) who was unable to attend the meeting

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

2.1. In respect of Items 5 and 6 the Chairman drew attention to updates to the reports circulated including drawings showing construction zones and road closures for Items 6 and 7 and to the drawings displayed

Item 5

- additional wording

Item 6

- Amended condition 24
- Letter from Capita Symonds dated 22 January 2007
- Advice note from the Planning Decisions Team and Legal Adviser in response to the letter from Capita Symonds

2.2. The order of business was unchanged

2.3. There had been no requests to speak. However, representatives from Capita and LDA were present and could respond to any questions the Committee might have.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (AGENDA ITEM 3)

3.1. In respect of items 6 and 7 the following Members declared a personal but non-prejudicial interest: the Chairman as Chairman of the London Thames Gateway Development Corporation; and Councillor Rofique Ahmed as Chair of the Development Committee and the Strategic Development Committee for Tower Hamlets Borough Council

4. MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING (AGENDA ITEM 4)

4.1. The Committee:

AGREED the Minutes of the 5th Committee meeting held on 9 January 2007

4.2. The Committee noted that there were some difficulties installing the planning software which would be needed to make the Olympics planning application publicly accessible on-line. It was hoped that this would be resolved by the time the application was submitted on 5 February 2007.

5. CONSULTATION STRATEGY (AGENDA ITEM 5)

- 5.1. Anthony Hollingsworth introduced the paper on the draft Consultation Strategy. The current version of the Development Control manual only referred to the statutory minimum requirements for consultation. A framework had been developed building on the methods used in relation to the 2004 Olympic application and work done since. It identified 10 core categories of stakeholders and outlined the methods to be used depending upon the importance of the application.
- 5.2. The additional wording set out in the update report was recommended to make clear that whenever an application is delegated to one of the Borough Councils they will be required to apply the ODA consultation strategy, whether or not the site is within the Olympic Park.
- 5.3. The Committee welcomed the paper. They noted that the formal planning consultation strategy would be complementary to ODA's overall consultation programme which would include facilitated consultation days to help local groups formulate their comments. They also recognised that the planning strategy would form part of the Development Control Manual. During discussion the following points were made:
 - 5.3.1. That the objective was not merely to maximise the response to consultation, but to allow consultees including the public to influence development appropriately
 - 5.3.2. That in order to engage the public there should be reference to how any comments received would be handled. Best practice was to analyse the results of the consultation, recording and reporting the authority's response to each comment. They noted that these points would be included in reports and asked that this should be referred to in the strategy.
 - 5.3.3. That It was important to assess who the consultation had reached and whether the whole community had been engaged.
 - 5.3.4. That there was no reference to special arrangements for consulting disabled people
 - 5.3.5. The Committee considered that the draft could also be edited to make it clearer before publication.
- 5.4. There being no further questions the Chairman moved to a vote and the Planning Committee **RESOLVED** unanimously in accordance with the recommendation that the Committee agreed that they:

WELCOMED the draft Consultation Strategy and **REQUESTED** that it be revised taking account of the comments made and referred back in due course.

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6. EARTHWORKS AND SOIL REMEDIATION (INCLUDING CLOSURE OF SECTION OF MARSHGATE LANE AND A SECTION OF PUDDING MILL LANE, TOGETHER WITH ESTATE ROADS AND OTHER HIGHWAYS WITHIN THE RED LINE BOUNDARY.

**PLANNING APPLICATION 06/900014/FUMODA
(AGENDA ITEM 6)**

6.1. The Committee considered the report and took into account the Update which had been circulated and the attached letter from Capita Symonds. The Head of Development Control introduced the item. She explained that the five conditions about which Capita Symonds had made representations had been carefully reviewed. These conditions would ensure that structures of interest were recorded before their demolition and that appropriate methods of mitigating the impacts of the works on the local environment had been agreed before any work including demolition started on site. These conditions were either about important general impacts (e.g. condition 14 wheelwashing and condition 31 control of invasive species) or related to each sub-zone individually and would not prevent work starting as vacant possession was obtained.

6.2. The Committee also noted that

6.2.1. the wording of condition 24 needed to be clarified as set out in the Update,

6.2.2. the wording of the third bullet in condition 40 as set out in the report should be withdrawn because it was inconsistent with EU Regulations

6.2.3. informative no 6 was not relevant and should be omitted

6.3. During discussion of the recording of the site the Committee noted that records would be stored in the Museum of London archive and the Head of Development Control agreed to write to the applicant expressing the Committee's concern that photographic recording should be made of the whole site.

Action: Head of Development Control

6.4. There being no further questions the Chairman moved to a vote and the Planning Committee **RESOLVED** unanimously in accordance with the recommendation as amended that the Committee agreed that they:

a) **GRANTED** planning permission subject to the conditions and informatives as described in the report but with condition 24 amended as follows:

For each sub-zone, no remediation works shall be commenced until a Site Specific Remediation Strategy and Risk Assessment have been submitted to, and approved in writing by the local planning Authority in consultation with the Environment Agency and the London Borough of Newham Pollution Control Unit. The Works shall be carried out in

accordance with the approved details. Any changes will require the prior written approval of the Local Planning Authority.

and condition 40 amended by the omission of the third bullet,

and with the omission of informative 6

- b) AGREED the reasons for APPROVAL; and
- c) AGREED that the decision and attendant need for the public highway closures be referred to the London Borough of Newham;

7. EARTHWORKS AND SOIL REMEDIATION INCLUDING CULVERTING OF HENNIKERS DITCH AND THE CREATION OF A POND. APPLICATION NO 06/900016/FUMODA (AGENDA ITEM 7)

7.1. The Committee considered the report and the Head of Development Control introduced the item.

7.2. The Committee noted that the road and cycle path closures would be considered separately by Newham Borough Council and that, as a statutory consultee, ODA could make representations about the closures. They also noted that as drafted condition 42 was identical to condition 40 under item 6 and needed to be amended as agreed in relation to Item 6 above.

7.3. There being no further questions the Chairman moved to a vote and the Planning Committee RESOLVED unanimously in accordance with the recommendation as amended that the Committee agreed that they:

- a) GRANTED planning permission subject to the conditions and informatives as described in the report but with condition 42 amended by the omission of the third bullet
- b) AGREED the reasons for APPROVAL; and
- c) AGREED that the decision and attendant need for the cycle and footpath route closure are referred to the London Borough of Newham;
- d) AGREED that ODA should make representations as a statutory consultee requesting that any alternative cycle route agreed for the period of the diversion should be considered as a permanent route and subject to appropriate conditions for signage and other relevant matters

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS (AGENDA ITEM 8)

8.1. The Head of Development Control informed the Committee that there would be a briefing session on the afternoon of 13 February 2007 to familiarise Members with the contents of the Olympic planning application which was due to be

submitted on 5 February, and to outline the programme for public consultation and consideration.

- 8.2. Subject to the capacity of the website and the practicality of the proposal, the Head of Development Control agreed in principle that the Olympic application should be retained on the planning website in its entirety for the life of the ODA and archived appropriately thereafter.

Action: Head of Development Control

There being no other business the meeting closed at 17.30 pm

Signed: Z. Baedry
Chairman

Date: 27th March 2007