

London Legacy Development Corporation Quality Review Panel

Report of Planning Application Review Meeting: 24 – 26 White Post Lane

Thursday 11 February 2016

Level 10, 1 Stratford Place, Montfichet Road, London E20 1EJ

Panel

Peter Studdert

Attendees

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Note on process

The Quality Review Panel comments below follow on from two pre-application reviews of the scheme for 24 – 26 White Post Lane. Panel members who attended the previous meetings were: Peter Studdert (chair); Alex Ely; John Lyall; Tom Lonsdale; Lynne Sullivan; David Bonnett; and Ed McCann.

1. Project name and site address

24 – 26 White Post Lane, London E9 5EQ

2. Planning authority's views

The scheme for 24 – 26 White Post Lane had previously been considered twice by the Quality Review Panel.

A number of modifications to the design were subsequently made in response to the panel's comments and included in the planning application. The planning authority considers that outstanding issues on detailed points have been satisfactorily resolved.

3. Quality Review Panel's views

The Quality Review Panel had warmly supported the development proposals for 24 – 26 White Post Lane.

The scheme was developed collaboratively with the design team responsible for the neighbouring site – resulting in a successful layout of the urban block as a whole. In particular, the panel welcomed the new route from Rothbury Road to White Post Lane.

The overall six storey scale of the development conforms to planning policy guidance. Where this is breached slightly, the panel considers this to be acceptable – justified, in particular, by the imaginative use of the roof as an amenity space.

The panel supports the architectural expression proposed, based on a 'family' of brick buildings, with variations in their structural grid, colour and fenestration.

The panel had made detailed comments in relation to the architecture, inclusive design and landscape design. It agrees with the planning authority that its comments have been responded to effectively – resulting in improvements to an already well considered scheme.

The panel unreservedly supports approval of the planning application for the development proposed for 24 – 26 White Post Lane, which promises to provide high quality residential accommodation and commercial space.