DELEGATED DECISION OFFICER REPORT

AUTHORISATION	INITIALS	DATE	
File completed and officer recommendation:	NH	29/05/2019	
Planning Development Manager authorisation:	SCE	31.05.19	
Admin checks / despatch completed	the	31/05/19.	

Application:

18/02093/LBC

Town / Parish: Clacton Non Parished

Applicant:

Mr Michael Newland - Star Pubs and Bars

Address:

Robert Burre 183 Burrs Road Clacton On Sea

Development:

Provision of new smoking shelter with bench seating.

1. Town / Parish Council

N/A

2. Consultation Responses

N/A

3. Planning History

00/00383/LBC	Internal and external alterations	Approved	28.07.2000
00/00384/ADV	Raised gilded lettering applied to building above porch; 2 No facility boards at low level	Approved	28.07.2000
02/00034/FUL	Retention of timber pergola at entrance of property	Refused	13.03.2002
16/00550/ADV	New signage.	Approved	06.06.2016
16/00551/LBC	New business signage.	Approved	06.06.2016
16/00733/FUL	New food preparation extract and fresh air input ductwork.	Approved	01.07.2016
16/00734/LBC	New food preparation extract and fresh air input ductwork. Removal of existing bar counter and installation of new screens.	Approved	01.07.2016
18/02092/FUL	Provision of new smoking shelter with bench seating.	Current	
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4. Relevant Policies / Government Guidance

NPPF National Planning Policy Framework July 2018

National Planning Practice Guidance

Tendring District Local Plan 2007

EN23 Development Within the Proximity of a Listed Building

Tendring District Local Plan 2013-2033 and Beyond Publication Draft (June 2017)

PPL9 Listed Buildings

Status of the Local Plan

The 'development plan' for Tendring is the 2007 'adopted' Local Plan. Paragraph 213 of the NPPF (2018) allows local planning authorities to give due weight to adopted albeit outdated policies according to their degree of consistency with the policies in the NPPF. Paragraph 48 of the NPPF also allows weight to be given to policies in emerging plans according to their stage of preparation, the extent to which there are unresolved objections to relevant policies and the degree of consistency with national policy. As of 16th June 2017, the emerging Local Plan for Tendring is the Tendring District Local Plan 2013-2033 and Beyond Publication Draft.

Section 1 of the Local Plan (which sets out the strategy for growth across North Essex including Tendring, Colchester and Braintree) was examined in January and May 2018 and the Inspector's initial findings were published in June 2018. They raise concerns, very specifically, about the three 'Garden Communities' proposed in north Essex along the A120 designed to deliver longer-term sustainable growth in the latter half of the plan period and beyond 2033. Further work is required to address the Inspector's concerns and the North Essex Authorities are considering how best to proceed.

With more work required to demonstrate the soundness of the Local Plan, its policies cannot yet carry the full weight of adopted policy, however they can carry some weight in the determination of planning applications. The examination of Section 2 of the Local Plan will progress once matters in relation to Section 1 have been resolved. Where emerging policies are particularly relevant to a planning application and can be given some weight in line with the principles set out in paragraph 48 of the NPPF, they will be considered and, where appropriate, referred to in decision notices. In general terms however, more weight will be given to policies in the NPPF and the adopted Local Plan.

5. Officer Appraisal (including Site Description and Proposal)

Site Description

The application site is located on the north-western side of Burrs Road in the settlement of Clacton-on-Sea. The area comprises of predominantly residential properties apart from the application site and the shopping parade opposite. The site contains a Grade II Listed Building currently used as the Robert Burre Public House. The building was the original farmhouse relating to the Burrs Farm. The building is set on spacious grounds with a large protected Oak Tree to the front. Residential properties surround the site.

The Listed Building description is as follows:

Hotel, formerly a farmhouse. C18 and C19 of possibly earlier origin. Timber framed. Gault brick faced. Hipped red tiled roof. 3 hipped dormers. Off centre red brick chimney stack. 2 storeys and attics. 3 window range of vertically sliding sashes, some small paned, that to ground floor left tripartite. C20 hipped gault porch with panelled door.

Proposal

The application seeks planning permission for a smoking shelter. The proposal will measure 6 metres in depth, 1.6 metre in width with an overall height of 2.6 metres. The proposal will be formed from 150 x 150 mm tantalised softwood posts with stop chamfered edges securely bedded into sub structure with 150 mm x 150 mm cross rails, roof to be at a 5 degree pitch with black corrugated roof fixed to 20 mm thick exterior quality marine ply on 150 x 50 mm s/w joists at 400 mm centres underdrawn with rattan fence panels. The proposal will incorporate new 1100 mm high balustrade fiexed to existing concrete slab, with base rails and spindles.

Appraisal

Section 66(1) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act imposes a statutory duty on the Local Planning Authority to have special regard to the desirability of preserving a listed building or its setting or any features of special architectural or historic interest.

Paragraph 196 of the Framework adds that where a development proposal will lead to less than substantial harm to the significance of a designated heritage asset, this harm should be weighed against the public benefits of the proposal, including securing its optimum viable use. Paragraph 189 of the National Planning Policy Framework ("the Framework") requires applicants to describe the significance of any heritage assets affected. This requirement is reflected by saved policy EN23 of the Tendring District Local Plan (2007) and emerging Policy PPL9 of the Tendring District Council Local Plan 2013-2033 and Beyond Publication Draft (June 2017). Both these policies also confirm that development should be of a scale, design and use that respects the listed building and its setting.

The proposed smoking shelter will be located to the south west of the listed building and would extend out wholly from a more recent addition and not the original listed part of the building. Therefore, the most important historic fabric and features mentioned in the listing will be retained and not affected by the proposal. The extension is single storey with a mono pitched roof which will be constructed from tantalised softwood posts, black corrugated iron roof with rattan fence panels with high timber balustrading between the posts which are considered to be acceptable in terms of design and appearance. Therefore, the smoking shelter is not considered to be significantly harmful to the setting of the Listed Building, and the proposal is therefore acceptable against this criteria.

Other Considerations

Clacton is non parished.

No letters of representation have been received.

Conclusion

It is considered that the proposal will not result in any adverse impact on the character, appearance and historic fabric of the listed building. The application is therefore recommended for approval.

6. Recommendation

Approval - Listed Building Consent

7. Conditions / Reasons for Refusal

- 1 The works hereby permitted shall begin before the expiration of three years from the date of this consent.
 - Reason To comply with the requirements of Section 18(1) of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990, as amended by the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.
- The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans and documents; Drg No. 2466-04 C, Drg No. 2466-05 Rev B, Drg No. 2466-06 Rev B, Drg No. 2466-07 Rev A and Design and Access Statement dated 19th December 2018 and Heritage Statement scanned 19th December 2018.

Reason - For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper planning

8. Informatives

Positive and Proactive Statement

The Local Planning Authority has acted positively and proactively in determining this application by assessing the proposal against all material considerations, including planning policies and any representations that may have been received and subsequently determining to grant planning permission in accordance with the presumption in favour of sustainable development, as set out within the National Planning Policy Framework.

Are there any letters to be sent to applicant / agent with the decision? If so please specify:	YES	NO
Are there any third parties to be informed of the decision? If so, please specify:	YES	NO
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