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## **TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**

**APPLICATION NO:** 23/01020/FUL **DATE REGISTERED:** 21st July 2023

Proposed Development and Location of Land:

Erection of 2 metre high metal fence to perimeter of front and side boundary

with the highway (retention of).

**Tendring Meadows Care Home Heath Road Tendring Clacton On Sea** 

THE TENDRING DISTRICT COUNCIL AS LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY <u>HEREBY</u> <u>REFUSE PLANNING PERMISSION</u> in accordance with the application form, supporting documents and plans submitted for the following reason(s)

The National Planning Policy Framework attaches great importance to the design of the built environment and confirms good design is a key aspect of sustainable development, is indivisible from good planning, and should contribute positively to making places better for people. It is important to plan positively for the achievement of high quality and inclusive design for all development, including individual buildings. Permission should be refused for development of poor design that fails to take the opportunities available for improving the character and quality of an area and the way it functions.

Policy SP7 of the 2013-33 Local Plan seeks high standards of urban and architectural design which responds positively to local character and context. Adopted Policy SPL3 of Section 2 of the 2013-33 Local Plan also requires that all new development (including changes of use) should make a positive contribution to the quality of the local environment and protect or enhance local character. Section A of this policy states requests that new buildings, alterations and structures are well designed and maintain or enhance local character and distinctiveness and Section B requests that the development relates well to its site and surroundings particularly in relation to its siting, height, scale, massing, form, design and materials.

Policy PPL3 states the Council will protect the rural landscape and refuse planning permission for any proposed development which would cause overriding harm to its character or appearance.

The application site comprises of a detached building currently used as a care home. The building is sited on a large plot with elevations serving both Tendring Road and

Heath Road.

The fencing currently in situ is 2m in height and is constructed from grey metal boards with most of it being sited hard up to the boundary shared with the public pavement. The plans provided indicate minor landscaping to be planted in some areas in front of the fence, however, this is limited, and it is unclear if this will encroach onto highway land. In many areas there is no planting shown in front of the fence as this will be unachievable due to its close relationship with the boundary.

Consequently, the siting of the fencing appears as a prominent and noticeable feature within Tendring Road and Heath Road and in the absence of little landscaping to soften its appearance appears as an intrusive feature harmful to the character and appearance of the site's countryside setting.

It is therefore considered that the proposed fencing, by virtue of its siting along a prominent boundary of the site and incongruous and stark metal materiality results in an inappropriate form of development within the street scene, significantly detrimental to visual amenity and the overall character of the area, which is contrary to the aforementioned national and local policies.

**DATED:** 13th September 2023 **SIGNED:** 

John Pateman-Gee Head of Planning and Building Control

# **IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

The local planning authority considers that the following policies and proposals in the development plan are relevant to the above decision:

#### NATIONAL:

National Planning Policy Framework July 2023 (NPPF) National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG)

## LOCAL:

Tendring District Local Plan 2013-2033 and Beyond North Essex Authorities' Shared Strategic Section 1 Plan (adopted January 2021):

SP1 Presumption in Favour of Sustainable Development

SP7 Place Shaping Principles

Tendring District Local Plan 2013-2033 and Beyond Section 2 (adopted January 2022):

SPL1 Managing Growth

SPL3 Sustainable Design

LP3 Housing Density and Standards

LP4 Housing Layout

Supplementary Planning Guidance:

Essex Design Guide

Local Planning Guidance:

## Essex County Council Car Parking Standards - Design and Good Practice

## PPL3 The Rural Landscape

## Neighbourhood Plan

The site is located within an area that is not subject of any emerging or adopted Neighbourhood Plan.

#### Positive and Proactive Statement

The Local Planning Authority has acted positively and proactively in determining this application by identifying matters of concern with the proposal and determining the application within a timely manner, clearly setting out the reason(s) for refusal, allowing the Applicant the opportunity to consider the harm caused and whether or not it can be remedied by a revision to the proposal. The Local Planning Authority is willing to meet with the Applicant to discuss the best course of action and is also willing to provide pre-application advice in respect of any future application for a revised development.

# Plans and Supporting Documents

The Local Planning Authority has resolved to refuse the application for the reason(s) set out above. For clarity, the refusal is based upon the consideration of the plans and supporting documents accompanying the application as follows, (accounting for any updated or amended documents):

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The attached notes explain the rights of appeal.

#### **NOTES FOR GUIDANCE**

## WHEN PLANNING PERMISSION IS REFUSED OR GRANTED SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS

#### APPEALS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE

- If you are aggrieved by the decision of your local planning authority to refuse permission for the proposed development or to grant it subject to conditions, then you can appeal to the Secretary of State under Section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
- If you want to appeal, then you must do so within the set time frame as outlined below:
  - a. If this is a decision to refuse planning permission for a householder application, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 12 weeks of the date of this notice. A Householder Appeal Form is required, available online at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate">https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate</a>
  - b. If this is a decision to refuse planning permission for a minor commercial application, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision then you must do so within 12 weeks of the date of this notice. A Planning Appeal Form is required, available online at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate">https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate</a>
  - c. If you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision on a development which is not caught by a. and b. above then you must do so within 6 months of the date of this notice. A Planning Appeal Form is required, available online at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate">https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate</a>
- Appeals must be made using the relevant form (as detailed above) which you can get from the Secretary of State at Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN (Tel: 0303 444 5000) or online at <a href="https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate">https://www.gov.uk/planning-inspectorate</a>. Please note, only the applicant possesses the right of appeal.
- The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal, but will not normally be prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.
- The Secretary of State need not consider an appeal if it seems to the Secretary of State that the local planning authority could not have granted permission for the proposed development or could not have granted it without the conditions imposed having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of any development order and to any directions given under a development order.
- If you intend to submit an appeal that you would like examined by inquiry then you must notify the Local Planning Authority and Planning Inspectorate (inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk) at least 10 days before submitting the appeal. <u>Further details are on GOV.UK.</u>

#### **ENFORCEMENT**

- If this is a decision on a planning application relating to the same or substantially the same land and development as is already the subject of an enforcement notice, if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision on your application, then you must do so within 28 days of the date of this notice.
- If an enforcement notice is served relating to the same or substantially the same land and development as in your application and if you want to appeal against your local planning authority's decision on your application, then you must do so within 28 days of the date of service of the enforcement notice, or within 6 months (12 weeks in the case of a householder or minor commercial appeal) of the date of this notice, whichever period expires earlier.