

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK PANEL

MINUTES

4 MARCH 2013

Chairman:

* Councillor Keith Ferry

Councillors:

- * Stephen Greek
- * Susan Hall (2)
- * Graham Henson (3)
- * Thaya Idaikkadar
 - Joyce Nickolay (1)
- † Navin Shah

- * Denotes Member present
- (2), (3), (1) Denote category of Reserve Members
- † Denotes apologies received

RECOMMENDED ITEMS

99. Locally Listed Buildings

An officer introduced the report, which set out the results of the public consultation over the proposal to amend Harrow's list of Locally Listed Buildings. The officer made the following comments:

- the list of locally listed buildings was last updated in 1990 and requests had been received to review the list;
- 35 additions to the list and 2 deletions had been subject to public consultation and as a result it was proposed that 34 buildings be added and 2 be removed, one because it had been demolished and one because it did not meet the required standard.

A Member questioned why the Safari Cinema, Station Road, had been included despite opposition from the owner. In response, an officer explained that the owner was considering redevelopment and therefore did not want the building to be locally listed and the options available limited. Support for the building being locally listed had been expressed in the Core Strategy. The building could still be demolished despite being locally listed.

Another Member commented that locally listing the building would potentially stifle redevelopment opportunities. The officer explained that the intention was to maintain the frontage and retain it through the planning process.

A Member asked if there had been any consultation with the owners of 66 Hutton Lane. An officer advised that the owners had been written to several times and as a response had not been received it was assumed that there was no opposition to the locally listing.

Another Member of the Panel expressed concern regarding the inclusion of the Air Raid Wardens' post and commented that there was a fully restored example at Stanburn School. An officer responded that the Air Raid Wardens' post had local historic interest and it could be removed from the list if it was proven that it no longer met the criteria for local listing.

A Member asked why the boundary stones at Wealdstone had not been included. It was explained that these were Grade II listed nationally.

Members of the Panel made the following comments:

- when Grade III national listing had been removed, it was replaced with local listing. Locally listing a building did not prevent redevelopment;
- St Andrew's Church had some additional features which had not been included in the description, such as parquet flooring throughout, folding doors to increase the capacity to 700 people and stained glass windows which had been partially funded by a bequest from a church which had been bombed in the war. The stained glass windows had been completed by a Dutch artist;
- it was welcomed that the property in South View Road had been removed and would not be included as a locally listed building.

Resolved to RECOMMEND: (to Cabinet)

That the updated Local List, as provided in Appendix 3 of the report be adopted.

Reason for Recommendation:

1. To comply with the National Planning Policy Framework requirement that planning authorities ensured that they made information about the significance of the historic environment gathered as part of plan-making or development management publicly accessible.

2. Providing locally listed status to these buildings would help protect Harrow's local historic and architectural interest and assist the Council to meet its corporate priority that seeks to *build stronger communities*.