

COPELAND BOROUGH COUNCIL

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NEW PAINTING STORE
THE BEACON, WEST STRAND, WHITEHAVEN, CUMBRIA.
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Parish Whitehaven

Full planning permission is sought to construct a two storey extension to the rear of the Beacon Heritage Centre at West Strand to accommodate the storage of paintings.

The extension would be inconspicuously sited on the rising ground immediately to the rear of the building to which it will be linked at second and third floor levels, external cladding materials being to match the existing.

The extension will provide an additional 75 square metres floorspace, primarily for the secure storage of the Council's collection of paintings.

In terms of planning policy the proposed development is considered to accord with Policies TSM 1 and ENV 26 of the adopted Copeland Local Plan which respectively relate to improved facilities at tourism attractions and development within Conservation Areas.

The application is presently subject to statutory consultation and notification procedures but no representations have so far been received.

Recommendation

That subject to no adverse representations being received the application be recommended for approval to Full Council under Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992.

Reason for decision:-

An acceptable extension to the rear of this harbourside Heritage Centre within the Whitehaven Conservation Area in accordance with Policies ENV 26 and TSM 1 of the adopted Copeland Local Plan 2001-2016.

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ALTERATIONS TO PART GROUND FLOOR AND CONSTRUCTION
OF CONSERVATORY TO FORM CAFE
THE BEACON, WEST STRAND, WHITEHAVEN, CUMBRIA.
COPELAND BOROUGH COUNCIL

Parish Whitehaven

On 30 April 2001 planning permission was granted for alterations to this Council owned and operated Heritage Centre at West Strand together with the construction of a conservatory at ground floor level, beneath the ramped access, to provide a cafe (4/01/0140 refers). This permission lapsed on 30 April 2006 and its renewal is now sought.

The external materials will match the existing building, the framework for the proposed conservatory and all new windows being of powder coated aluminium construction to match the existing windows.

The cafe use and associated servery and food/drink storage areas at existing ground floor level will provide a valuable additional facility for visitors to the Heritage Centre, providing a total of 73 covers. This fully accords with Policy TSM 1 of the adopted Copeland Local Plan which states that:

"Existing tourist attractions will be protected and promoted and development which contributes to their fuller interpretation, appearance or means of enjoyment will be permitted provided that it does not conflict with the principles of sustainable development set out in other plan policies."

The proposal also accords with Policy ENV 26 of the Plan which states that development within Conservation Areas or that which impacts upon the setting of a Conservation Area will only be permitted where it preserves or enhances the character or appearance of the Area.

The application is presently subject to statutory consultation and notification procedures but no representations have so far been received.

Recommendation

That subject to no adverse representations being received the application be recommended for approval to Full Council under Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992.

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Reason for decision:-

Acceptable alterations and extension of this harbourside Heritage Centre within the Whitehaven Conservation Area to facilitate the incorporation of a cafe in accordance with Policies ENV 26 and TSM 1 of the adopted Copeland Local Plan 2001-2016.
