

# COPELAND BOROUGH COUNCIL DELEGATED PLANNING DECISION

1.	Reference No:	4/21/2468/0F1
2.	Proposed Development:	SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION AND REMOVAL OF CONSERVATORY
3.	Location:	4 THE GREEN, LAMPLUGH
4.	Parish:	Lamplugh
5.	Constraints:	ASC;Adverts - ASC;Adverts,  Coal - Standing Advice - Data Subject To Change
6.	Publicity Representations &Policy	Neighbour Notification Letter: YES  Site Notice: NO  Press Notice: NO  Consultation Responses: See report
		Relevant Planning Policies: See report

# 7. Report:

# SITE AND LOCATION

This application relates to 4 The Green, a semi-detached house located within Lamplugh. The site benefits from a large garden and an existing rear conservatory.

#### **PROPOSAL**

Planning Permission is sought for the removal of the existing conservatory and the erection of a rear extension to provide a sunroom. The extension will project 5 metres from the rear elevation and it will be 5.1 metres in width. It has been designed to include a pitched roof with an eaves height of 2.5 metres and an overall height of 3.6 metres.

The design includes a window on the north facing side elevation, two windows on the rear elevation and a window and patio door on the south facing side elevation. It will be finished in render, slate roof tiles and white UPVC windows and doors to match the existing property and it will also be lit by

two skylights.

#### **RELEVANT PLANNING APPLICATION HISTORY**

Planning Permission has previously been granted for a conservatory (ref: 4/0/0639/0) and the demolition of the existing timber sheds and the replacement with a detached garage (ref: 4/19/2121/0F1).

#### **CONSULTATION RESPONSES**

## Consultees

Lamplugh Parish Council - No comments received.

# **Public Representations**

The application has been advertised by way of neighbour notification letters issued to 2 no. properties - No objections have been received as a result of this consultation.

#### **PLANNING POLICIES**

Planning law requires applications for planning permission must be determined in accordance with the Development Plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

## **Development Plan**

Copeland Local Plan 2013 – 2028 (Adopted December 2013)

## Core Strategy

Policy ST1 – Strategic Development Principles

Policy ST2 – Spatial Development Strategy

**Development Management Policies (DMP)** 

Policy DM10 – Achieving Quality of Place

Policy DM18 – Domestic Extensions and Alterations

## **Other Material Planning Considerations**

National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)

## Emerging Copeland Local Plan (ELP):

The emerging Copeland Local Plan 2017-2035 has recently been the subject of a Preferred Options Consultation. The Preferred Options Consultation builds upon the completed Issues and Options Consultation, which finished in January 2020. Given the stage of preparation, the emerging Copeland

Local Plan 2017-2035 has only limited weight in decision making, but provides an indication of the direction of travel of the emerging planning policies, which themselves have been developed in accordance with the provisions of the National Planning Policy Framework.

#### **ASSESSMENT**

The key issues raised by this proposal are the principle of development, its scale and design, the potential impacts on residential amenity.

# Principle of Development

The proposed application relates to a residential dwelling within Lamplugh and it will provide a replacement sunroom. Policy DM18 supports extensions to residential properties subject to detailed criteria, which are considered below.

On this basis, the principle of the development is therefore considered to be acceptable and the extension satisfies Policies ST2, DM18 of the Local Plan and the NPPF guidance.

## Scale and Design

Policy ST1 and section 12 of the NPPF seek to promote high quality designs. Policy DM10 and DM18 seek to ensure domestic alterations are of an appropriate scale and design which is appropriate to their surroundings and do not adversely affect the amenities of adjacent dwellings.

The proposed extension will be relatively modest in scale and suitably located within the rear garden. This will ensure that the proposal appears subservient to the main dwelling and it will not be excessively prominent within the locality. It will not be overbearing for the neighbouring properties and the design is considered to be suitable for its use. In addition, the choice of materials are considered to respect the existing character and appearance of the existing property.

Overall, the proposal is considered to meet Policy DM18(A) and the NPPF guidance.

## **Residential Amenity**

Policy ST1, Policy DM18 and section 12 of the NPPF seek to safeguard good levels of residential amenity of both the parent property and adjacent dwellings.

Overlooking and overshadowing issues between the proposed extension and the neighbouring properties were considered, although the extension will be stepped away from the adjoining neighbours boundary by 3 metres. Due to this distance, it is not considered that the extension will cause unacceptable dominance or overshadowing on the neighbouring property. In addition, the existing boundary fence and hedge will help screen the development and mitigate potential overlooking concerns.

Under current permitted development rights, an extension could project 3 metres from the rear elevation with an overall height of 4 metres without the requirement for formal planning permission. This fall-back position is a material consideration in the assessment of this application. As the

sunroom extension is not significantly larger than what is possible under permitted development, this proposal is considered to be satisfactory and therefore it will not have a detrimental impact on the neighbouring amenity.

In addition, no objections have been received as a result of the consultation period and therefore the proposal is considered to satisfy Policy DM18 and the NPPF guidance.

# Planning Balance and Conclusion

The proposed extension is of an appropriate scale and design and will not have any detrimental impact on the amenities of the adjoining properties. It represents an acceptable form of development which accords with the policies set out within the adopted Local Plan and the guidance in the NPPF.

#### 8. Recommendation:

Approve (commence within 3 years)

#### 9. **Conditions:**

1. The development hereby permitted must commence before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

Reason

To comply with Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended by the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

2. This permission relates to the following plans and documents as received on the respective dates and development must be carried out in accordance with them: -

Location Plan, scale 1:1250, received 25th October 2021;

Block Plan, scale 1:500, received 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021;

Proposed Floor Plan, scale 1:50, drawing no 1 of 2, received 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021;

Proposed Elevations, scale 1:50, drawing no 2 of 2, received 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021;

Proposed Section AA, scale 1:50, drawing no 1 of 2, received 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

## Reason

To conform with the requirement of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, as amended by the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

## **Informative**

The proposed development lies within a coal mining area which may contain unrecorded coal mining related hazards. If any coal mining feature is encountered during development, this should be reported immediately to the Coal Authority on 0345 762 6848.

Further information is also available on the Coal Authority website at: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/the-coal-authority">www.gov.uk/government/organisations/the-coal-authority</a>

#### 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 in the National Planning Policy Framework.

Case Officer: C. Unsworth	Date : 15/12/2021		
Authorising Officer: N.J. Hayhurst	Date : 20/12/2021		
Dedicated responses to:- N/A			