

COPELAND BOROUGH COUNCIL DELEGATED PLANNING DECISION

1.	Reference No:	4/21/2472/0F1
2.	Proposed Development:	REAR EXTENSION TO CREATE LARGER KITCHEN DINER
3.	Location:	2 STANDINGS RISE, WHITEHAVEN
4.	Parish:	Whitehaven
5.	Constraints:	ASC;Adverts - ASC;Adverts, Coal - Development Referral Area - 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:

LOCATION

This application relates to 2 Standings Rise, a detached property located on an existing housing estate within Whitehaven. The site benefits from a large rear garden.

PROPOSAL

Planning Permission is sought for the erection of a rear extension to provide an enlarged kitchendining room, an enlarged utility room and WC and an enlarged en-suite at first floor level. The extension will project 3 metres from the rear elevation and it will have a width of 16.3 metres to infill the rear corner. It has been designed to include a continuation of the pitched roof with an overall height of 6.1 metres and an eaves height of 2.1 metres. The design includes two additional bi-fold doors on the rear elevation and the side elevation will include an additional utility room window. The extension will be finished with render, concrete roof tiles, white UPVC windows and bi-fold doors to

match the existing property.

RELEVANT PLANNING APPLICATION HISTORY

Planning Permission has previously been granted for an extension (ref: 4/02/1265/0).

CONSULTATION RESPONSES

Consultees

Whitehaven Town Council – No objections.

Coal Authority – Application falls within the 'exemption list' so standing advice applies and advised to include the necessary notes/advice on any consent granted.

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 process.

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 proposed are the principle of development, its scale and design, the potential impacts on residential amenity and the coal advice area.

Principle of Development

The proposed application relates to a residential dwelling within Whitehaven and it will provide an enlarged kitchen-dining room, an enlarged utility room and WC and an enlarged en-suite at first floor level. 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 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 appropriately located to the rear of the property, behind the main element of the existing dwelling and it will be relatively modest in scale. This will ensure that the proposal appears subservient to the main dwelling and it will not be excessively prominent within the locality. It will infill the rear corner and therefore 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.

On this basis, the proposal is considered to meet DM18(A) policy 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. The extension will be relatively modest in scale and the continuation of the roof design with an eaves height of 2.1 metres adjacent to the neighbouring boundary will reduce potential overshadowing issues. The existing boundary fence will also screen the development and reduce potential amenity issues.

On this basis, it was considered that the proposal will not have any adverse impacts on the neighbours and therefore the proposal is considered to meet Policy DM18 and the NPPF guidance.

Coal Advice Area

Based on the site location plan, the application site is located within the defined Development High Risk Area and therefore the Coal Authority was consulted. The Coal Authority confirmed the consultation falls within their exemption list and therefore the Coal Authority guidance applies.

As such, it was not consider that a Coal Mining Risk Assessment is necessary to support the proposal, although an informative note for development within a coal mining area will be included for the applicant's information.

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 or the coal advice area. 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, drawing reference DM-PRE-003, received 29th October 2021; Block Plan, scale 1:500, drawing reference DM-PRE-003, received 29th October 2021; Proposed Site Plan, scale 1:500, drawing reference DM-PRE-003, received 29th October 2021; Existing Floor Plan and Elevations, scale 1:100, drawing reference DM-PRE-001, received 29th October 2021;

Proposed Floor Plan and Elevations, scale 1:100, drawing reference DM-PRE-002, received 29th October 2021;

Proposed Section, scale 1:50, drawing reference DM-PRE-003, received 29th 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: www.gov.uk/government/organisations/the-coal-authority

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 : 17/12/2021
Authorising Officer: N.J. Hayhurst	Date : 20/12/2021
Dedicated responses to:- N/A	<u>I</u>