RECOMMENDATION

This document shows the case officer's recommended decision for the application referred to below. This document is not a decision notice for this application.

Applicant	Ms JULIA EDWARDS SOUTHWARK COUNCIL	Re	eg. Number	15/AP/1590
Application Type Recommendation	Full Planning Permission Grant permission		ase umber	TP/1450-A
	Draft	of Decision Notice		

Planning Permission was GRANTED for the following development:

Hard and soft landscape works including new entrances, new play area, new muga, new site furniture and surfacing, new planting and grassed areas; Demolition and removal of existing dividing wall and planter and rebuilding in new location.

At: NELSON SQUARE GARDEN, NELSON SQUARE, LONDON, SE1 0LR

In accordance with application received on 28/04/2015 08:01:46

and Applicant's Drawing Nos. 14905-FD-00-02, 14905-FD-00-04, 14905-FD-00-05, 14905-FE-00-01, 14905-FE-00-05, 14905-DD-00-03 a Design and Access Statement and a Bat Survey Report.

Subject to the following five conditions:

Time limit for implementing this permission and the approved plans

1 The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the end of three years from the date of this permission.

Reason

As required by Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended.

2 The development hereby permitted shall not be carried out otherwise than in accordance with the following approved plans:

14905-FD-00-02, 14905-FD-00-04, 14905-FD-00-05, 14905-FE-00-01, 14905-FE-00-05 and 14905-DD-00-03.

Reason:

For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper planning.

Pre-commencement condition(s) - the details required to be submitted for approval by the condition(s) listed below must be submitted to and approved by the council before any work in connection with implementing this permission is commenced.

3 Prior to works commencing, including any demolition, an Arboricultural Impacts Assessment including an Arboricultural Survey shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

a) A pre-commencement meeting shall be arranged, the details of which shall be notified to the Local Planning Authority for agreement in writing prior to the meeting and prior to works commencing on site, including any demolition, changes to ground levels, pruning or tree removal.

b) A detailed Arboricultural Method Statement showing the means by which any retained trees on or directly adjacent to the site are to be protected from damage by demolition works, excavation, vehicles, stored or stacked building supplies, waste or other materials, and building plant, scaffolding or other equipment, shall then be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The method statements shall include details of facilitative pruning specifications and a supervision schedule overseen by an accredited arboricultural consultant.

c) Cross sections shall be provided to show surface and other changes to levels, special engineering or construction details and any proposed activity within root protection areas required in order to facilitate demolition,

construction and excavation.

The existing trees on or adjoining the site which are to be retained shall be protected and both the site and trees managed in accordance with the recommendations contained in the method statement. Following the precommencement meeting all tree protection measures shall be installed, carried out and retained throughout the period of the works, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. In any case, all works must adhere to BS5837: (2012) Trees in relation to demolition, design and construction and BS3998: (2010) Tree work - recommendations.

If within the expiration of 5 years from the date of the occupation of the building for its permitted use any retained tree is removed, uprooted is destroyed or dies, another tree shall be planted at the same place and that tree shall be of such size and species, and shall be planted at such time, as may be specified in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason

To avoid damage to the existing trees which represent an important visual amenity in the area, in accordance with The National Planning Policy Framework 2012 Parts 7, 8, 11 & 12 and policies of The Core Strategy 2011: SP11 Open spaces and wildlife; SP12 Design and conservation; SP13 High environmental standards, and Saved Policies of The Southwark Plan 2007: Policy 3.2 Protection of amenity; Policy 3.12 Quality in Design; Policy 3.13 Urban Design and Policy 3.28 Biodiversity.

Commencement of works above grade - the details required to be submitted for approval by the condition(s) listed below must be submitted to and approved by the council before any work above grade is commenced. The term 'above grade' here means any works above ground level.

4 Before any above grade work hereby authorised begins, detailed drawings of a hard and soft landscaping scheme showing the treatment of all parts of the site not covered by buildings (including cross sections, surfacing materials of any parking, access, or pathways layouts, materials and edge details and material samples of hard landscaping), shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The landscaping shall not be carried out otherwise than in accordance with any such approval given and shall be retained for the duration of the use.

The planting, seeding and/or turfing shall be carried out in the first planting season following completion of building works and any trees or shrubs that is found to be dead, dying, severely damaged or diseased within five years of the completion of the building works OR five years of the carrying out of the landscaping scheme (whichever is later), shall be replaced in the next planting season by specimens of the same size and species in the first suitable planting season. Planting shall comply to BS: 4428 Code of practice for general landscaping operations, BS: 5837 (2012) Trees in relation to demolition, design and construction and BS 7370-4:1993 Grounds maintenance Recommendations for maintenance of soft landscape (other than amenity turf).

Reason:

So that the Council may be satisfied with the details of the landscaping scheme in accordance with Sections 7, 8, 11 and 12 of the National Planning Policy Framework (2012), policies 7.5 (Public realm), 7.6 (Architecture), 7.19 (Biodiversity and access to nature) and 7.21 (Trees and Woodland) of the London Plan (2015), strategic policies 11 (Open spaces and wildlife), 12 (Design and conservation) and 13 (High environmental standards) of the Southwark Core Strategy (2011) and saved policies 3.2 (Protection of amenity), 3.12 (Quality in design), 3.13 (Urban design) and 3.28 (Biodiversity) of the Southwark Unitary Development Plan (2007).

Compliance condition(s) - the following condition(s) impose restrictions and/or other requirements that must be complied with at all times once the permission has been implemented.

5 The landscaping works hereby permitted shall only be carried out outside of the bird-nesting season (i.e., installation between 1st September and 1st March of the following year).

Reason:

To ensure that the landscaping works will not disturb nesting birds and so protects and enhances biodiversity in accordance with Section 11 of the National Planning Policy Framework (2012), policy 7.19 (Biodiversity and access to nature) of the London Plan (2015), strategic policy 11 (Open spaces and wildlife) of the Southwark Core Strategy (2011) and saved policy 3.28 (Biodiversity) of the Southwark Unitary Development Plan (2007).

Statement of positive and proactive action in dealing with the application

To assist applicants the Local Planning Authority has produced policies, provided written guidance, all of which is available on the Council's website and which has been followed in this instance.

The local planning authority delivered the decision in a timely manner.