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Bermondsey Community Council

Planning Meeting

Minutes of the Bermondsey Community Council Planning Meeting held on Wednesday 26 October 2005 at Aylwin Girls School, 55 Southwark Park Road, SE16 3TZ.

The meeting opened at 7.00pm

PRESENT

Councillors: Beverley Bassom (Chair), Linda Manchester, Paul Kyriacou and Nick

Stanton.

Officers: Ellen Fitzgerald (Legal), Tim King (Planning) and Louise Shah (CCDO).

1. INTRODUCTION

Councillor Bassom welcomed members of the public and Members.

2. APOLOGIES

Councillors Capstick, Mann and Flannery sent apologies for absence.

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

4. NOTIFICATION OF ANY OTHER ITEMS THE CHAIR DEEMS AS URGENT

There were none.

RECORDING OF MEMBERS' VOTES

Council Procedure Rule 1.17 (5) allows a Member to record her/his vote in respect of any Motions and amendments. Such requests are detailed in the following Minutes. Should a Member's vote be recorded in respect to an amendment, a copy of the amendment may be found in the Minute File and is available for public inspection.

The Committee considered the items set out on the agenda, a copy of which has been incorporated in the Minute File. Each of the following paragraphs relates to the item bearing the same number on the agenda.

DEVELOPMENT CONTROL (SEE PAGES 1 to 30)

The Chair announced that Items 1/1 and 1/3 had been taken off the agenda as members felt that due to the number of objections to the applications, an officer from housing should be present to answer questions. Housing could not supply an officer on this occasion but could do so at the next planning meeting on 23/11/05. All objectors were notified by way of a hand delivered letter from Housing and/ or a telephone call from Planning. Cllr Bassom apologised for the inconvenience caused.

ITEM 1/1: River Thames, St Saviour's Dock, Mill Street, SE1 – Full

Planning Permission

Proposal: (05-AP-1177)

Installation of 5 habitat rafts for wildfowl in the River Thames at

St. Saviour's Dock.

Recommendation: Grant

The Planning Officer introduced the item as per the proposal adding that each raft would be 4metres squared and would be secured safely, plus measures can be taken to ensure the rafts do not collide. The Planning Officer then outlined the objections as per the report but stated that all internal consultees felt the application was sound and would be an ecological benefit to the area. The recommendation was to grant for 3 years on a temporary basis.

There were no objectors present.

The Applicant did not wish to add anything further to the Planning Officer's introduction.

Members questioned the Applicant about:

- Noise Secured in such a way that collision noise is not possible; anchored under water plus tyres can be added if deemed necessary. Tyres originally an extension feature.
- Rubbish when the tide is out Applicant works for Thames 21 who are a charity and have given residents equipment to clean up the area in the past.
 Will continue to do so as and when necessary.
- Funding charity and receives external funding. If working with a community group then do not charge for their services. Have done three clean ups with residents in the past two years.
- Where litter is coming from mostly water borne; depends on wind direction also.
- Planting will be native (sedges, iris's and so on). Also, because of the type
 of matting used, waterborne seeds can attach themselves too.
- Raft strength/ durability very robust and made from marine ply so would not expect problems with them. They get checked yearly anyhow.

Members checked with the Planning Officer that no conditions needed to be added about tyres; they did not.

There were no supporters present.	
The Ward Councillor did not wish to speak.	
Decision:	AGREED
ITEM 1/2:	India House, 45 Curlew Street, SE1 – Full Planning Permission
Proposal:	(05-AP-0924)
	The retention of four condenser units at roof level together with the retention of acoustic panel enclosure.
Recommendation: Grant	
The Planning Officer introduced the item as per the proposal.	
There were no objectors, Applicant or supporters present and the Ward Councillor did not wish to speak.	
Decision:	AGREED
Cllr Stanton asked that it be NOTED that the Committee were not happy with the quality of the report as there were inaccuracies and it was misleading (did not state that there are already three units in existence which have permission but that the permission being applied for was for a further four.)	
The chair thanked all attending and brought the meeting to a close at 7.14pm	
CHAIR:	DATE: