

## Planning Committee

Minutes of the Planning Committee held on Wednesday 21 April 2021 at 6.30 pm

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**PRESENT:** Councillor Martin Seaton (Chair)  
Councillor Darren Merrill (Vice-chair)  
Councillor Richard Livingstone  
Councillor Damian O'Brien  
Councillor Cleo Soanes  
Councillor Dan Whitehead  
Councillor Kath Whittam  
Councillor Bill Williams

**OFFICER SUPPORT:** Colin Wilson, Head of Regeneration Old Kent Road  
Jon Gorst, Legal Services  
Troy Davies, Planning  
Pip Howson, Transport Policy  
Tim Murtagh, Constitutional Team  
Gregory Weaver, Constitutional Team

### 1. APOLOGIES

There were none.

### 2. CONFIRMATION OF VOTING MEMBERS

Those members listed as present were confirmed as the voting members for the meeting.

### 3. NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT

The chair gave notice of the following additional papers which were circulated before the meeting:

Addendum report relating to items 6.1.

Members pack relating to items 6.1.

#### **4. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS**

There were none.

#### **5. MINUTES**

##### **RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the meeting held on 17 March 2021 be approved as a correct record of the meeting.

#### **6. DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT**

##### **RESOLVED:**

1. That the determination of planning applications, or formal observations and comments, the instigation of enforcement action and the receipt of the reports included in the attached items were considered.
2. That the decisions made on the planning applications be subject to the conditions and/or made for the reasons set out in the attached reports unless otherwise stated be agreed.
3. That where reasons for decisions or conditions were not included or not as included in the reports relating to an individual item, they be clearly specified and agreed.

#### **6.1 671-679 OLD KENT ROAD LONDON SE15 1JS**

Planning application: Application 20/AP/2701

##### **PROPOSAL:**

*Demolition of all existing structures and erection of a part 10, part 12 storey plus basement mixed-use development comprising 257sqm flexible Class E floorspace (Commercial, business and service), and 267 purpose-built student accommodation rooms with associated amenity space and public realm works, car and cycle parking, and ancillary infrastructure.*

The committee heard the officer's introduction to the report.

Members of the committee asked questions of officers present.

There were no objectors present wishing to address the committee.

The applicant's representatives addressed the committee, and answered questions put by the committee.

At 7.26pm the meeting took a screen break and resumed at 7.31pm.

The committee put further questions to the applicant and officers.

There were no supporters who lived within 100 metres of the development site who wished to speak.

There were no ward councillors present who wished to speak.

The committee discussed the application.

The chair enquired about monitoring to ensure compliance of any decision would be continuous. Officers responded that this would be picked up in the Section 106 agreement.

A motion to grant the application was moved, seconded, put to the vote and declared carried.

**RESOLVED:**

- a) That planning permission be granted, subject to conditions and referral to the Mayor of London, and the applicant entering into an appropriate legal agreement by no later than 21 October 2021.
- b) In the event that the requirements of (a) are not met by 21 October 2021 that the Director of Planning be authorised to refuse planning permission, if appropriate, for the reasons set out at paragraph 258 of this report.

The meeting ended at 7.47pm

**CHAIR:**

**DATED:**