

APPENDIX A

- From:** John Friary
Sent: 30 September 2006 11:10
To: Glen Egan
Cc: M Tyrer; Chris Page; Dora Dixon-Fyle; John East; Annie Shepperd; Southwark News; James Gurling
Subject: Planning Inspectors Decision on Appeal for 45 Urlwin Street

Dear Glen,

I am sure that you are aware that the above appeal was upheld and on Monday night at the Grosvenor T@RA Meeting I discussed the adjudication letter with Committee.

They are obviously very disappointed at the decision but more disappointed at an apparent lack of commitment from the planning Department to fully represent the views of the Planning Committee who refused the original application.

This appears to be the normal procedure that where the Planning Department support an application and it is refused at Committee there is a clear lack of commitment from officers to effectively defend the decision against appeal.

Mike Tyrer, the T@RA Chair will be writing to you with a detailed position on the appeal and I am asking that the Council consider appealing at the High Court in the same was as they are in relation to the Rotherhithe development.

I know that time is short so can you let me know what is happening in this matter and if the Council intend to defend the original decision of the planning Committee?

Many thanks

John

Cllr. John Friary
Camberwell Green Ward

- From:** Chris Hern [Planning Aid]
Sent: 09 October 2006 12:35
To: Willowbrook Centre
Subject: 45 Urlwin St

Emma [Willowbrook Centre Director]

Please find attached note regarding Urlwin St Appeal. It may be a long shot but I think worth an opinion from counsel. Southwark legal services do not seem to regard the matter as their problem, I have sent a copy to Tim King. He told me on Friday that he 'held his hands up' over the failure to submit evidence, but it remains to be seen if he has the will or the seniority to progress a challenge on the lines suggested. I have also passed a copy to PAL¹. I will prepare further notes in due course on other deficiencies in the processing of the proposal.

Chris Hern

¹ Planning Aid for London

[John Friary forwarded emails (2) and (5) to Glen Egan 12 October 2006]

3. **From:** Michael Tyrer [Grosvenor T&RA Chair]
To: Chris Page; John Friary
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2006 9:08 AM
Subject: 45 Urlwin Street // Parking Situation

Hi John / Chris

I cannot get out my front door or down the street without meeting untold angry neighbours who are furious about wasted trips to the parking shop and why haven't they been told? Other neighbours are phoning me up saying what's all this about Controlled Parking - why haven't we been told?

Please can you do something about this and have someone responsible for the failings.

People are still extremely annoyed that the restriction is only 5 days. What was the point of consulting if that was to be ignored. Even the report said that the majority of Grosvenor Residents wanted 7 day restrictions. If the Grosvenor residents did not think there would be 7 day restriction, you will probably find that they would have rejected the controlled parking.

I'm sending e-mails to planning people and Glen Egan on this 45 Urlwin Street but may as well be talking to a brick wall. Chris Hern from Planning Aid feels that there has to be serious questions asked about the competency of the officers involved in the entire planning application and says that there are serious failings all the way through.

When Chris was speaking to the Willowbrook Centre he mentioned my name and was told "Oh you must not speak to him - he's trouble" so he asked me what this is all about. I did not realise that the Willowbrook Centre constituted Southwark Council. When I told him of the communication ban - he said that if the failing of the Council were down to the Council's reluctance to communicate with me then there are serious serious issues to be faced by the Council.

As no one is responding to me can you please provide me - ASAP - with some update of where exactly we now are with this planning application?

Yours Sincerely

Michael Tyrer

[John Friary forwarded email (3) to Glen Egan 12 October 2006]

4. **From:** Michael Tyrer
To: Chris Page; John Friary
Sent: Wed Oct 11 09:42:35 2006
Subject: Re: 45 Urlwin Street

Hi Chris / John

Can anyone please get me some response as to where we are in regards to this situation we do need to know and receive some response especially given the very tight time scales on all of this?

For Southwark Council to say they are cooperating with the Grosvenor T&RA is absolute flannel - we live in a vacuum of deliberate silence over every single issue.

This is not good enough and totally unfair.

Can you please try to provide me with some clear update of exactly where we are in this planning situation and appealing the Inspectorate's decision. Time is rapidly running out.

Yours Sincerely

Michael Tyrer

[John Friary forwarded email (4) to Glen Egan 12 October 2006]

5. **From:** Willowbrook Centre
To: John Friary
Sent: Wed Oct 11 00:18:16 2006
Subject: FW: 45 Urlwin St

Hi John

I don't know if you know anything about this or can help. It appears that an application at 45 Urlwin Street that was recommended for approval but refused at community council went to appeal and the Council failed to provide any evidence to support the refusal. Therefore the appeal was granted.

Chris Hern an experienced planner volunteering for Planning Aid for London thinks that there may be a case for the Council seeking judicial review of the decision but the officers do not seem interested. There is not much time now but I wondered if you may be willing to talk to the officers and see if anything can be done. Tim King is the person Chris has been speaking to.

Emma Williamson
Willowbrook Centre Director

[Forwarding (2) - Chris Hern email 9 October 2006]

6. **From:** John Friary
Sent: 12 October 2006 09:06
To: Glen Egan
Cc: M Tyrer; Willowbrook Centre; James Gurling; Chris Page; Dora Dixon-Fyle
Subject: Fw: 45 Urlwin St

Glen,

I have received this email from the Willowbrook Centre [email (5)]

I really feel that the Planning Committee and local people have been badly let down by Planning Officers and the Council needs to pursue this to overturn the appeal.

Time is of the essence so can we seek judicial review on this and put the wheels in motion?

John

[Fowarding (5) – Emma Williamson email of 11 October 2006]

6. **From:** John Friary
Sent: 12 October 2006 09:00
To: Glen Egan
Cc: M Tyrer
Subject: Fw: 45 Urlwin Street

Glen,

Where are we on this?

John

[Emails (3) and (4) from M Tyrer attached]

7. **From:** Egan, Glen
Sent: 13 October 2006 14:30
To: Ellen Fitzgerald
Subject: FW: Planning Inspectors Decision on Appeal for 45 Urlwin Street

Dear Ellen

THIS E-MAIL IS BEING SENT ON BEHALF OF GLEN EGAN, ACTING BOROUGH SOLICITOR

FYI [all emails (1) to (7) forwarded 13 October 2006]

Kind Regards

Personal Assistant to Glen Egan, Acting Borough Solicitor