DELEGATED APPLICATIONS

ASSESSMENT SHEET

APPLICATION NO./ ADDRESS: WB/11/0166/FULL 102 Manor Lea Boundary Road Worthing

DATE OF SITE VISIT: 18 April 2011

NEIGHBOURS CHECKED: Y

ADDITIONAL NEIGHBOUR NOTIFICATIONS (LIST ADDRESSES): Y

SITE AND SURROUNDINGS:

The subject site comprises a fifth floor flat within an eight (8) storey purpose built block of units. The area within the vicinity is characterised by a variety of dwelling types including houses and flats. The flat building is identified as a Local Interest Building in the Saville Jones Study (2003).

PROPOSAL:

The application seeks to replace the existing windows with white uPVC windows. The replacement windows utilise the existing window openings to both side elevations and total four (4) over front and side elevations of the building.

Almost all other units within the block have already had replacement windows of a similar style installed.

RELEVANT PLANNING HISTORY:

None relevant.

RELEVANT PLANNING POLICIES:

Saved Worthing Local Plan policies BE1
Submission Core Strategy policy 16
PPS1: Delivering Sustainable Development

REPRESENTATIONS:

None relevant.

RELEVANT CONSULTATION RESPONSES:

None relevant.

PLANNING ASSESSMENT:

The application seeks approval for the replacement of the existing windows to the fifth floor flat. The proposal incorporates the re-use of existing window openings with similarly styled replacements of a general size and colour to match.

The replacement windows comprise the removal of existing sliding windows and their replacement with white uPVC windows however the site is not in a Conservation Area nor relates to a listed building. The building has already been subject to modification and the replacement windows are similar to those at other units in the locality, none of which have a consistent style or form.

The subject unit is one of the last remaining which features the original windows and is the last on the two relevant elevations of the building.

No new opening are proposed which could allow any material increase in overlooking towards neighbours.

In other regards the development is not considered to warrant objection and is recommended for approval.

HUMAN RIGHTS:

Article 8 (Right to Respect of a Private and Family Life) and Article 1 of the First Protocol (Protection of Property) of the Human Rights Act 1998 are relevant to this application. It is accepted that the proposal, if approved, would have some impact on the neighbouring properties. However, it is considered that the level of development proposed would not cause undue harm in terms of additional noise, disturbance and loss of privacy and that, on balance, existing residential quality of life would not be adversely affected as a result of the proposal. Accordingly it is considered that it is acceptable with regard to Article 8 and Article 1.

RECOMMENDATION:

Grant Planning permission subject to the following conditions:

- Standard time limit
- Plans

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION:

The proposed development would not detract from the local environment and can take place without resulting in unacceptable detriment to the amenities of neighbouring properties. It would consequently not conflict with the 'saved' policies of the Worthing Local Plan (BE1) and the Submission Core Strategy (policy 16).

The proposal accords with the relevant policies of the Development Plan.

Saved Worthing Local Plan Polices

BE1

Submission Core Strategy

Policy 16

IS RECOMMENDATION CONTRARY TO LETTER(S) OF REPRESENTATION? N

DELEGATED

Case Officer sign [redacted] Date 18/4/11.

Authorising Officer sign. [redacted] Date 26.4.11