

## LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

## MINUTES OF THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, 29 APRIL 2009

COUNCIL CHAMBER, 1ST FLOOR, TOWN HALL, MULBERRY PLACE, 5 CLOVE  
CRESCENT, LONDON, E14 2BG**Members Present:**

Councillor Shafiqul Haque (Chair)

Councillor Shahed Ali  
 Councillor Rupert Eckhardt  
 Councillor Fazlul Haque  
 Councillor Alexander Heslop  
 Councillor Denise Jones (Vice-Chair)  
 Councillor Tim O'Flaherty  
 Councillor Ahmed Adam Omer

**Other Councillors Present:**

Councillor Marc Francis

**Officers Present:**

Jerry Bell – (Interim Strategic Applications Manager)  
 Megan Crowe – (Legal Services Team Leader, Planning)  
 Stephen Irvine – (Development Control Manager)  
 Rachel McConnell – (Interim Applications Manager)  
 Richard Murrell –  
 Jen Pepper – (Affordable Housing Programme Manager)

Louise Fleming – Senior Committee Officer

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Harun Miah.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor	Item	Type of Interest	Reason
Shafiqul Haque	Items 6.1; 7.1; and 7.2	Personal	He had received correspondence in respect of all items of business.

Denise Jones	Items 6.1; 7.1; and 7.2	Personal	He had received correspondence in respect of all items of business.
Alex Heslop	Items 7.1 and 7.2	Personal	Both application sites within the Councillor's ward
Tim O'Flaherty	Item 7.2	Personal	Received correspondence from interested parties
Ahmed Omer	Items 7.1 and 7.2	Personal	Both application sites within the Councillor's ward and had been lobbied in respect of both applications

### 3. UNRESTRICTED MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2009 were agreed as a correct record.

### 4. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee RESOLVED that:

- 1) in the event of changes being made to recommendations by the Committee, the task of formalising the wording of those changes is delegated to the Corporate Director Development and Renewal along the broad lines indicated at the meeting; and
- 2) in the event of any changes being needed to the wording of the Committee's decision (such as to delete, vary or add conditions/informatives/planning obligations or reasons for approval/refusal) prior to the decision being issued, the Corporate Director Development and Renewal is delegated authority to do so, provided always that the Corporate Director does not exceed the substantive nature of the Committee's decision.

### 5. PROCEDURE FOR HEARING OBJECTIONS

The Committee noted the procedure.

### 6. DEFERRED ITEMS

#### 6.1 15 Sturry Street, London

After consideration of the Officer's report and the addendum update report, the Committee RESOLVED, on a vote of 4 for and none against, that planning

permission be GRANTED for the construction of a 3 and 4 storey building to provide 9 residential units (3 x 1 bed flats, 5 x 2 bed flats and 1 x 3 bed house) together with landscaping and associated infrastructure works at site adjacent to 15 Sturry Street, London subject to the conditions and informatives set out in the report.

(Councillors Fazlul Haque, Denise Jones and Tim O'Flaherty could not vote on the application, due to not being present at the previous meeting)

(Councillor Shahed Ali was not present for the consideration of this item)

## **7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR DECISION**

### **7.1 101-109 Fairfield Road, London**

Ms Lorraine Harris, a neighbouring resident, spoke in objection to the application.

Mr Nathan Jones, for the applicant, spoke in support of the application.

Councillor Marc Francis, a Ward Member, spoke in objection to the application.

After consideration of the Officer's report and the addendum update report the Committee RESOLVED, on a vote of 5 for and 1 against, that the application for the demolition of existing building and erection of a six storey building to provide 46 residential units (2 x studio, 21 x 1 bedroom, 11 x 2 bedroom, 8 x 3 bedroom, 4 x 5 bedroom) together with the provision of a pedestrian link between Fairfield Road and Primrose Close, cycle and bin stores and roof top amenity space at 101-109 Fairfield Road be DEFERRED to allow further consultation between officers and the applicant in respect of the removal of pedestrian link; gating the development for a limited time; or a refusal of the application. A report setting out the options for the Committee would be presented to the next meeting.

(Councillor Shahed Ali could not vote on the application due to not being present for the duration of the item).

### **7.2 Gun Wharf, 241 Old Ford Road**

Mr Mike Hooper, on behalf of the applicant, spoke in support of the application.

Councillor Marc Francis, a Ward member, spoke on the application.

After consideration of the Officer's report and the addendum update report, the Committee unanimously RESOLVED that planning permission be GRANTED for the demolition of existing buildings occupying the site and

redevelopment to provide four buildings of between three and four storeys providing 110 sqm commercial floorspace (A1, A3, B1 or D1 uses) and 121 residential units (comprising 7 x studio, 48 a 1 bedroom, 47 x 2 bedroom, 14 x 3 bedroom and 5 x 5 bedroom units). Provision of associated car parking, cycle parking and landscaped amenity space at Gun Wharf, 241 Old Ford Road, London E3 subject to the legal agreement and conditions set out in the report with the following amendments:

Condition 11 amended to restrict the operation of the commercial unit from **8.00 am** until **9.00 pm** on any day.

Condition 10 amended to restrict the hours of construction from 8.00am until 5.00pm Monday to Friday and **9.00am** until 1.00pm on Saturday

(Note: The Committee noted that the application site was in the Bow East ward, not the Bow West ward as stated on the agenda.)

The meeting ended at 8.35 p.m.

Chair, Councillor Shafiqul Haque  
Development Committee