

DELEGATED REPORT

Report by Jane Langan	Date of report: 07/07/2022	Ref: 68372/FUL
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Site Visit: 30/05/2022	Site Notice: N/A	Press Date: N/A
Objections: 0	Con Area: N/A	Adv Type: NONE
Reason for Delay: N/A		EIA: NA
		Dec Level: DEL
		Stat Class: HOUS

Proposal: Single storey side/rear extension

Location: 8 Harwood Drive, Bury, BL8 2ED

Description

The property is a two storey semi detached house with a single storey section at the front as the entrance. There is a garden to the front and drive along the side that leads to a garage/workshop linked to the house and the property has also been extended at the rear single storey. The neighbouring property to the side of the proposed development is the unattached No.10. It has a drive along the side and fencing separates. To the rear is a covered structure and this property has a current pending application for a single storey extension at the rear and a front porch (68426). To the rear the site garden borders the rear gardens to 5 & 7 Edgeworth Drive.

The application proposes a single storey extension at the side. It would come 3.3m out at the side set back 3.8m from the existing single storey at the front and run to the existing garage level and then extend a further 2.3m at the rear of the workshop. The extension would form an extended garage and workshop.

Relevant Planning History

53018 - Single storey extension at rear - AC 10/09/2010

58508 - Single storey extension at front - AC 24/04/2015

Publicity

Surrounding neighbours were notified by letter and no responses have been received.

Statutory/Non-Statutory Consultations

None.

Pre-start Conditions - Not relevant.

Unitary Development Plan and Policies

H2/3 Extensions and Alterations

SPD6 Supplementary Planning Document 6: Alterations & Extensions

Issues and Analysis

The following report includes analysis of the merits of the application against the relevant policies of both the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and the adopted Bury Unitary Development Plan (UDP) together with other relevant material planning considerations. The policies of the UDP that have been used to assess this application are considered to be in accordance with the NPPF and as such are material planning considerations. For simplicity, just the UDP Policy will be referred to in the report, unless there is a particular matter to highlight arising from the NPPF where it would otherwise be specifically mentioned.

Equality Act 2010: All planning applications are considered in light of the Equality Act 2010 and associated Public Sector Equality Duty, where the Council is required to have due regard for:

The elimination of discrimination, harassment and victimisation;

The advancement of equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and person who do not share it;

The fostering of good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and person who do not share it; which applies to people from the protected equality groups.

Human Rights: All planning applications are considered against the provisions of the Human Rights Act 1998.

Under Article 6 the applicants (and those third parties who have made representations) have the right to a fair hearing and to this end full consideration will be given to their comments.

Article 8 and Protocol 1 of the First Article confer a right to respect private and family life and a right to the protection of property, ie peaceful enjoyment of one's possessions which could include a person's home, and other land and business assets.

In taking account of the Council policy as set out in the Bury Unitary Development Plan 1997 and all material planning considerations, it is concluded on balance that the rights conferred upon the applicant/ objectors/ residents/ other interested party by Article 8 and Article 1 of the First Protocol may be interfered with, since such interference is in accordance with the law and is justified in the public interest. Any restriction of these rights posed by refusal/ approval of the application is legitimate since it is proportionate to the wider benefits of such a decision, is based upon the merits of the proposal, and falls within the margin of discretion afforded to the Council under the Town & Country Planning Acts.

The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 imposes (without prejudice to any other obligation imposed on it) a duty upon the Council to exercise its functions and have due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of its functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent crime and disorder in its area. In so doing and on making planning decisions under the Town and Country Planning Acts, the material Planning considerations shall have due regard to the provisions of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and its implications in the exercise of its functions.

Visual amenity and design - The proposed extension would be set back 3.8m from the single storey front entrance. It would be flat roofed with a garage door to the front. This would then link to the existing pitched roof single storey with the extended section at the rear extending out from the existing ridge. Materials are noted to be brick and tile therefore a standard matching condition is added.

The proposal is considered acceptable and in keeping with the existing property and would not have a detrimental impact on the visual amenity of the area.

Parking - The proposal would not increase the number of bedrooms therefore SPD 11 Parking Standards need not be considered. The proposal would build on part of the existing drive however there would still be a drive in excess of 5.5m remaining. The area has on street parking and there is public transport available. In this instance then the parking arrangements are considered sufficient.

Residential amenity - The single storey would run as blank wall along the side of No.10 which has only one small window to the ground floor side. It would then run as existing along the boundary with the rear garden to No.10 with the extended workshop at the rear adding a further 2.3m length, to the same height and where the site currently has a shed. As such there would be no significant change to the situation as existing. The rear

elevation would come close to the rear boundary however it would be blank wall and 3.3m to the ridge.

There would then be no serious impact on the amenity of any adjacent neighbouring properties.

The proposal complies with UDP Policy H2/3 and SPD6 - Alterations and Extensions to Residential Properties.

Statement in accordance with Article 35(2) Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) (Amendment) Order 2015

The proposal complies with the development plan and would improve the economic, social and environmental conditions of the area. It therefore comprises sustainable development and the Local Planning Authority worked proactively and positively to issue the decision without delay. The Local Planning Authority has therefore implemented the requirement in Paragraph 38 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

Recommendation: Approve with Conditions

Conditions and Reasons:

- 1 The development must be begun not later than three years beginning with the date of this permission.
Reason. Required to be imposed by Section 91 Town & Country Planning Act 1990.
- 2 This decision relates to drawings numbered PCE-Atherton-September-21-Planning and the development shall not be carried out except in accordance with the drawings hereby approved.
Reason. For the avoidance of doubt and to ensure a satisfactory standard of design pursuant to the policies of the Bury Unitary Development Plan listed.
- 3 The external finishing materials for the proposal hereby approved shall match those of the existing building.
Reason. In the interests of visual amenity and to ensure a satisfactory development pursuant to Policy H2/3 - Extensions and Alterations of the Bury Unitary Development Plan and Supplementary Planning Document 6 - Alterations and Extensions to Residential Properties.

<u>Case Officer</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Sign off Officer</u>	<u>Date</u>
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