

Part 8 Other Planning Matters**Item 8.1**

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1. Purpose

- 1.1 This report provides a list of cases determined (since the last Planning Committee) providing details of the site and description of development (by Ward), whether the case was determined by officers under delegated powers or by Planning Committee/Sub Committee and the outcome (refusal/approval).

Planning Decisions

- 1.2 Attached as Appendix 1 is the list of delegated and Planning Committee/Sub Committee decisions taken between 27th April and 8th May 2020.
- 1.4 During this period the service issued 194 decisions (ranging from applications for full planning permission, applications to discharge or vary planning conditions, applications for tree works, applications for prior approval, applications for non-material amendments and applications for Certificates of Lawful Development). 2 applications were withdrawn by applicants (which also appear on the list).
- 1.5 Out of the 140 decisions issued, 37 were refused (19.1%). Therefore the approval rate for last reporting period was 80.9%.
- 1.6 The majority of cases determined during this period were relatively limited - in terms of scale and scope. The notable decisions are listed below
- On 1st May 2020, planning permission was refused for the conversion of 9 Rosedene Avenue into a 6 person HMO LBC Ref 20/00613/FUL). Planning permission was refused on the grounds of loss of a small family house, the quality of accommodation proposed and lack of on-site cycle storage facilities.
 - On the 27th April 2020, planning permission was granted for the demolition of existing Timebridge Community Centre and erection of new two storey school, new access, car parking, play areas, landscaping and associated works (LBC Ref 20/00228/FUL). This follows on from the previous grant of planning permission for a replacement Timebridge Community Centre back in December 2018 (LBC Ref 18/05350/FUL)
 - On 1st May 2020, planning permission was refused for the

redevelopment of 30 Russell Hill involving the demolition of former drug and alcohol rehabilitation residential care home and erection of 2 apartment blocks totalling 25 flats (LBC Ref 20/00456/FUL). The reasons for refusal focussed on lack of affordable housing provision highway and transportation effects, the quality of accommodation for future residents and detrimental effects of the development on protected trees.

- On 7th May 2020, planning permission was refused for the demolition of a dwelling with garage (Red Gables) and the erection of a part 3/4 storey block of 34 flats, comprising 8x1 bedroom flats, 3x2 bedroom 3 person flats, 8x2 bedroom 4 person flats and 15x3 bedroom units with basement car parking, cycle and bin storage and associated landscaping (LBC Ref 20/00558/FUL). The reasons for refusal focussed on the lack of affordable housing, the design of the scheme failing to respect local character and appearance, impact on protected trees and the schemes failure to properly consider and mitigate ecological impacts.