



Officer Report

Application Number:	HGY/2024/0361
Application Type:	Full planning permission
Address:	Flat B, 2 Vartry Road, Tottenham, London, N15 6PT
Proposal:	Demolition of existing self contained studio and erection of self contained 1-bedroom dwelling house.
Case Officer:	Sarah Madondo
Valid Date:	14/03/2024
Applicant:	4 C/O Agent
Agent:	David Gutwirth

RECOMMENDATION

Approve with Conditions

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AND LOCATION DETAILS

Demolition of existing self contained studio and erection of self contained 1-bedroom dwelling house.

Site and Surroundings

The application site is a single storey unit located to rear of no.2 Vartry Road, located within a mostly residential area on the southern elevation of Vartry Road. The immediate surrounding properties are generally three storey with mansard roof extension and four storey Victoria terraces.

The site is not located in a conservation area nor is listed. The site is located within a Controlled Parking Zone (SPZ) and is located 2 minutes walk to Stamford Hill underground station with excellent PTAL rating of 5

Relevant Planning and Enforcement history

Flat A, 2 Vartry Road, Tottenham, London, N15 6PT

HGY/2024/0787: Erection of a mansard roof extension as approved (HGY/2023/1764) to facilitate the subdivision of the existing flat into 2no. flats – Approved 19/09/2024

HGY/2023/1764: Erection of a mansard roof extension – Approved 30/08/2023

2 Vartry Road, N15

CONSULTATION RESPONSE

The responses below were received following consultation on the application:

Internal

LBH Transportation Team: No objection subject to conditions

LBH Carbon Management: No objection to subject to carbon offsetting contribution and conditions.

LBH Pollution: No objection subject to conditions

External

London Fire Bridge: No response

Thames Water: No objection subject to informative

LOCAL REPRESENTATIONS

The application has been publicised by way of site notice displayed in the vicinity of the site and letters. The number of representations received from neighbours, local groups, etc in response to notification and publicity of the application were as follows:

No of individual responses:

Objecting: 0

Supporting: 0

The following issues were raised in representations that are material to the determination of the application and are addressed in the next section of this report:

MATERIAL PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

The main planning considerations raised by the proposed development are:

1. Principle of development;
2. Design and appearance;
3. Standard and quality of residential accommodation;
4. Impact on neighbouring amenity;
5. Transport considerations;
6. Waste and recycling
7. Energy and Sustainability.

Principle of development

Supply of housing

Providing additional residential units is consistent in respect of national, London and local plan policies in respect of increasing housing supply and higher levels of density in relation to accessible locations, with both the 2021 National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and new London Plan putting particular emphasis on 'small site' development. Paragraph 69 of the NPPF (July 2021) recognises the importance of small and medium sized sites can make in meeting the housing requirement of an area, with these often built-out relatively quickly. Chapter 11 supports

the effective use of land and in paragraph 120 seeks the optimisation of sites by way of upward extensions, when designed to be sympathetic to the street scene.

Paragraph 130c seeks to secure development which is sympathetic to local character and history, including the surrounding built environment and landscape setting, while not preventing or discouraging appropriate innovation or change (such as increased densities). The considerable emphasis on the development of small sites for housing, coming forward, is also strongly supported by London Plan 2021. In specific the London Plan Policy H2 'Small sites' places great weight on the contribution that small sites with within 800m of a Tube or rail station are to make to delivering housing in London, with targets set for each borough.

The site is in a sustainable location and would be replacing an existing studio unit with a slightly enlarged one bedroom unit. The principle of development is considered to be acceptable.

Design and appearance

London Plan (2021) policies emphasise the importance of high-quality and seek to optimise site capacity through a design-led approach. Policy D3 'Delivering good design' states that development proposals should enhance local context by delivering buildings and spaces that positively respond to local distinctiveness through their layout, orientation, scale, appearance and shape, with due regard to street hierarchy, building types, forms and proportions.

Local Plan Policy SP11 (2017) and Development Management Development Plan Document

(DPD) Policy DM1 seek to secure the highest standard of design which respects local context and character to contribute to the creation and enhancement of Haringey's sense of place and identity. DPD Policy DM1 'Delivering High Quality Design' requires development proposals to meet a range of criteria having regard to the following: building heights; form, scale and massing prevailing around the site; urban grain; sense of enclosure and where appropriate following existing building lines; rhythm of neighbouring or local regular plot and building widths; active, lively frontages to public realm; and distinctive local architectural styles, detailing and materials.

The proposal is for the demolition of existing building which is dilapidated and erection of 1 bedroom 2 person dwelling house. In design terms, the proposed dwelling would be finished in London yellow stock bricks with a pitched roof. The design of the new dwelling would mimic the traditional style of the existing buildings. The proposal would include some rooflights at the front elevation. The density is considered acceptable in seeking to optimise the use of existing brownfield land and the bulk and mass would not detract from the immediate vicinity.

The proposed design would entail high quality materials which are considered acceptable. A condition will be attached for the details of materials to be submitted for the Council to approve.

Standard and quality of accommodation

London Plan (2021) Policy D6 requires housing developments to be of high-quality design, providing comfortable and functional layouts, benefiting from sufficient daylight and sunlight, maximising the provision of dual aspect units and providing adequate and easily accessible storage space as well as outdoor amenity space. Table 3.1 sets out the internal minimum space standards for new developments, while Table 3.2 of the London Plan provides qualitative design aspects that should be addressed in housing developments. The government's 2015 'Technical housing standards – nationally described space standard' (NDSS) is also relevant.

The proposed dwelling would be 50 sqm and would not comply with the requirements set out in table 3.1 of London Plan. However notwithstanding this, officers take the view that the proposed development is an improvement from the existing substandard layout and size of the studio flat that it would replace. The proposed dwelling would have a good sized bedroom, kitchen and living

space and an acceptable overall layout. As such, whilst usually the size of the unit would not be acceptable, as it is replacing an existing unit which provides worse accommodation than the proposed, on balance the standard of accommodation provided is considered acceptable in the circumstances. As indicated on the submitted plan shared bin store/cycle parking would be located next to the dwelling which is acceptable given that there is no space.

Inclusive access

London Plan Policy D5 requires all new development to achieve the highest standard of accessible and inclusive design, seeking to ensure new development can be used easily and with dignity by all. London Plan Policy D7 requires that 10% of new housing is wheelchair accessible and that the remaining 90% is easily adaptable for residents who are wheelchair users.

In this particular case this dwelling would be compliant with Part M4(2). A WC will also be provided on the ground floor close to the entrance and also the dwelling would have a step free access, wheelchair accessible, therefore suitable for ambulant disabled use, with habitable accommodation located on the entrance storey. A condition is attached to secure this. The proposal is therefore acceptable in regard to the policies outlined above.

Impact on neighbouring amenity

London Plan Policy D6 outlines that design must not be detrimental to the amenity of surrounding housing, in specific stating that proposals should provide sufficient daylight and sunlight to surrounding housing that is appropriate for its context, while also minimising overshadowing. London Plan Policy D14 requires development proposals to reduce, manage and mitigate noise impacts.

DPD Policy DM1 'Delivering High Quality Design' states that development proposals must ensure a high standard of privacy and amenity for a development's users and neighbours. Specifically, proposals are required to provide appropriate sunlight, daylight and aspects to adjacent buildings and land, and to provide an appropriate amount of privacy to neighbouring properties to avoid overlooking and loss of privacy and detriment to amenity of neighbouring resident.

The proposed two-storey dwelling would not result in an unacceptable impact on light or outlook for existing occupants of the ground and upper floor units in 2 Vartry Road, as there are no directly rear facing windows in the main building that would face the development. In relation to the linked property to the immediate south of the site, there would be no impact on this property given that there is no gap between these properties, and it would not project above its ridge line or beyond the rear building line of this property. the occupants of no.. 4 Vartry Road would still retain an acceptable level of outlook and light and would not be overlooked by the development.

In terms of construction, it is accepted that inevitably all development has some associated disruption during construction, but this is temporary in nature and can be mitigated and controlled by other areas of legislation, i.e. the Control of Pollution Act governing issues such as working hours and noise levels.

A condition is being imposed in requiring the submission of a Construction Management Plan to be submitted to and agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority, outlining measures that will be taken to control dust, noise and other environmental impacts as well as to mitigate transportation impacts and provide safe operation of the highway network, in specific for pedestrians. Overall, it can be demonstrated that there will be no unacceptable harm to the living conditions of neighbouring residents. As such, the scheme is considered to be in accordance with policies outlined above.

Transport considerations

London Plan Policy T1 requires all development to make the most effective use of land, reflecting its connectivity and accessibility by existing and future public transport, walking and cycling routes, and to ensure that any impacts on London's transport networks and supporting infrastructure are mitigated. Policies T4, T5 and T6 set out key principles for the assessment of development impacts on the highway network in terms of trip generation, parking demand and cycling provision.

Local Plan Policy SP7 'Transport' states that the Council aims to tackle climate change, improve local place shaping and public realm, and environmental and transport quality and safety by promoting public transport, walking and cycling and seeking to locate major trip generating developments in locations with good access to public transport. This is supported by DPD Policy DM31 'Sustainable Transport'.

The proposal site has a PTAL rating of 5, indicating site has good accessibility. The site is close to transport links, with Stamford Hill Overground Station only being around a 2-minute walk from the site. Bus services can be accessed from Archway Road. The site does front onto a private shared road that contains its own parking controls. The site is located within the Seven Sisters South CPZ, which restricts parking to permit holders only Monday to Friday between 08:00 – 18:30.

The Council's Transportation Team have consulted and advises that the development has a high PTAL for it to be considered to be car free, which is supported by the Councils Development Management Plan 2017. Policy DM32 states that the council will support proposals for new developments with limited or non on-site parking where: public transport accessibility is at least 4 as defined in the Public Transport Accessibility Index, there are alternative and accessible means of transport available, and a Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) exists or will be provided prior to the occupation of the development. This is additionally supported by the published London Plan Policy T6.1 Residential Parking, which states the maximum car parking provision for this site would be car free.

Given the proposal is only for one dwelling and replacing an existing unit, the transportation officers would not require the applicant to sign a s106 agreement prohibiting residents from gaining a parking permit as it sits on threshold for the number of dwellings. It is not considered that the proposed development would result in an unacceptable increase in pressure on on-street parking capacity.

In terms of cycle parking the plans submitted indicate that a provision of 1 on site long stay cycle space would be located on the ground floor and this would be in accordance with policy. Drawing no (PR-P001 REV E) indicates that a shared cycle store along with a secured bin storage would be provided for this unit along with the flats at 2 Vartry Road which is acceptable as the buildings are in one ownership.

In relation to construction, a Construction Logistics Management Plan (CLMP) condition would be attached.

Energy and sustainability

The London Plan sets out detailed policies in relation to energy efficiency, renewable energy, climate change and water resources. Local Plan Policy SP4 promotes and requires all new developments to take measures to reduce energy use and carbon emissions during design, construction and occupation. Low- and zero-carbon energy generation are required with all new development, specifically to achieve a reduction in predicted carbon dioxide emissions through onsite renewable energy generation.

DPD Policy DM21 also requires new development to consider and implement sustainable design, layout and construction techniques, with proposals required to apply the energy hierarchy to minimise energy use in order to meet/ exceed, minimum carbon dioxide reduction requirements. An Energy & Sustainability Statement produced by Achieve Green has been submitted as part of the planning application. The development would achieve 101% improvement in carbon emissions on site, which is supported in principle. Planning conditions would be attached to secure the benefits of the scheme. No carbon offset contribution is required as the development is zero carbon in policy terms.

The energy report concludes that air source heat pumps (ASHPs) and solar photovoltaic (PV) panels are the most viable options to deliver the Be Green requirement. A total of 0.8 tCO₂ (87%) reduction of emissions are proposed under Be Green measures. The solar array peak output would be 3.8 kWp. The individual air-to-water ASHP systems will provide hot water and heating to the dwelling.

A condition is being imposed requiring the development to be constructed in accordance with the Energy and Sustainability Assessment and further information is required in relation to overheating. Subject to compliance with these conditions, the development is acceptable from an energy and sustainability perspective.

Waste and recycling

DM DPD Policy DM4 requires proposals to sustainably manage waste that arises from development during the design, construction and occupation phases. All proposals should make on-site provision for general waste, the separation of recyclable materials and organic material. Adequate internal and external storage space should be provided to manage the volume of waste arising from the site. Accessible and safe access to on-site storage facilities both for occupiers and collection operatives should be supplied.

The applicant submits on drawing PR-P001 REV F that bins would be provided next to the dwelling on Holmsdale Road. This would be a secured shared facilities for all the flats and dwelling house. It is considered that this would be acceptable as this would be accessible and convenient for the future occupiers.

Conclusion

The development would provide a satisfactory standard of accommodation that serves an identified need and works towards achieving housing delivery targets in the borough. It would not result in an unacceptable impact on conservation area, neighbouring amenity, amenity of future occupiers or on parking/highways conditions in the locality.

Cil Liability

Based on the information given on the plans, the Mayoral CIL charge will be £3,463.5 (50 sqm x £69.27) and the Haringey CIL charge will be £2,869 (50 sqm x £57.38 (Indexation included)). This will be collected by Haringey after/should the scheme is/be implemented and could be subject to surcharges for failure to assume liability, for failure to submit a commencement notice and/or for late payment, and subject to indexation in line with the construction costs index. An informative will be attached advising the applicant of this charge.

Conditions:

- 1 The development to which this permission relates must be begun no later than three years from the date of this decision notice, failing which the permission shall be of no effect.

Reason: This condition is imposed by virtue of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and to prevent the accumulation of unimplemented planning permissions.

- 2 The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in complete accordance with the approved plans and drawings listed in this decision notice, other than where those details are altered pursuant to the conditions of this planning permission.

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt and in the interests of proper planning.

- 3 Prior to the commencement of buildings works above grade, detailed drawings, including sections, to a scale of 1:20 to confirm the detailed design and materials of the:

- a) Detailed elevational treatment;
- b) Detailing of roof and parapet treatment;
- c) Windows and doors (including plan, elevation and section drawings indicating jamb, head, cill, reveal and surrounds of all external windows and doors at a scale of 1:10), which shall include a recess of at least 115mm;
- d) Details of entrances and porches which shall include a recess of at least 115mm;
- e) Details and locations of down pipes, rainwater pipes or foul pipes and all external vents;
- f) Details of balustrading;
- g) Facing Brickwork: sample panels of proposed brickwork to be used showing the colour, texture, pointing, bond, mortar, and brickwork detailing shall be provided;
- h) Details of cycle, refuse enclosures and plant room; and
- i) Any other external materials to be used,

Shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to the commencement of the development hereby permitted and together with a full schedule of the exact product references for all materials.

The development shall thereafter be carried out solely in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To safeguard and enhance the visual amenities of the locality in compliance with Policies DM1, DM8 and DM9 of the Development Management Development Plan Document 2017.

- 4 No development shall take place until a Construction Management Plan, to include details of:
 - I. A programme of works (including measures for traffic management);
 - II. Vehicle routing and if any reversing maneuvers on public highway land is required, provision for the management of their movement by a qualified and certificated banksman;
 - III. Storage of plant and materials used in constructing the development;
 - IV. Details of any construction compound including temporary site office, toilets, skips or any other structure;
 - V. The erection and maintenance of security hoarding where appropriate;

VI. Parking of vehicles of site operatives and visitors;
VII. Wheel cleaning / wash facilities to prevent mud, or dust from migrating on to the adjacent highway;
VIII. Contact details for the Site Supervisor responsible for on-site works; have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Only the approved details shall be implemented and retained during the demolition and construction period.

Reason: To ensure there are no adverse impacts on the free flow of traffic on local roads and to safeguard the amenities of the area consistent with Policies T4, T7 and D14 of the London Plan 2021, Policies SP0 of the Haringey Local Plan 2017 and with Policy DM1 of The Development Management DPD 2017

- 5 The residential unit hereby approved shall be designed to meet Part M4 (2) 'accessible and adaptable dwellings' of the Building Regulations 2015 (formerly Lifetime Homes Standard) unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure that the proposed development meets the Council's Standards in relation to the provision of accessible and adaptable dwellings.

- 6 Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning General Permitted Development (England) Order 2015, or any Order revoking or reenacting that Order, no outbuildings shall be erected and no extensions or alterations to the dwelling houses hereby approved, including the insertion of or alterations to windows and doors, hereby approved shall be carried out without the grant of planning permission having first been obtained from the local planning authority.

Reason: To safeguard the visual amenities of the area and to prevent overdevelopment of the site by controlling proposed extensions and alterations consistent with Policy D6 of the London Plan 2021 and Policy DM1 of The Development Management DPD 2017.

- 7 The development hereby approved shall be constructed in accordance with the Energy Strategy by Achieve Green (dated March 2024) delivering a minimum 100% improvement on carbon emissions over 2021 Building Regulations Part L, with high fabric efficiencies, an air source heat pump (ASHP) and a minimum 3.8 kWp solar photovoltaic (PV) array.

(a) Prior to above ground construction, details of the Energy Strategy shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority. This must include:

- Confirmation of how this development will meet the zero-carbon policy requirement in line with the Energy Hierarchy, confirming the As Designed SAP calculations;
- Confirmation of the necessary fabric efficiencies to achieve a minimum 14% reduction;
- Location, specification and efficiency of the proposed ASHP (Coefficient of Performance, Seasonal Coefficient of Performance, and the Seasonal Performance Factor), with plans showing the ASHP pipework and noise and visual mitigation measures;
- Specification and efficiency of the proposed Mechanical Ventilation and Heat Recovery (MVHR), with plans showing the rigid MVHR ducting and location of the unit;
- Details of the PV, demonstrating the roof area has been maximised, with the following details: a roof plan; the number, angle, orientation, type, and efficiency level of the PVs; how overheating of the panels will be minimised; their peak output (kWp)
- Specification of any additional equipment installed to reduce carbon emissions.

The development shall be carried out strictly in accordance with the details so approved prior to first operation and shall be maintained and retained for the lifetime of the development. The solar PV array shall be installed with monitoring equipment prior to

completion and shall be maintained at least annually thereafter.

Reason: To ensure the development reduces its impact on climate change by reducing carbon emissions on site in compliance with the Energy Hierarchy, and in line with London Plan (2021) Policy SI2, and Local Plan (2017) Policies SP4 and DM22.

- 8 Prior to above ground construction, a statement shall be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority to demonstrate how the overheating risk has been minimised and mitigated on site in line with the London Plan Cooling Hierarchy. Details and specification of the mitigation measures shall be provided in support of this statement.

Reason: In the interest of reducing the impacts of climate change and mitigation of overheating risk, in accordance with London Plan (2021) Policy SI4, and Local Plan (2017) Policies SP4 and DM21.

- 9 Before development commences other than for investigative work:
- a. A desktop study shall be carried out which shall include the identification of previous uses, potential contaminants that might be expected, given those uses, and other relevant information.
 - b. Using this information, a diagrammatical representation (Conceptual Model) for the site of all potential contaminant sources, pathways and receptors shall be produced. The desktop study and Conceptual Model shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority. If the desktop study and Conceptual Model indicate no risk of harm, development shall not commence until approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.
 - c. If the desktop study and Conceptual Model indicate any risk of harm, a site investigation shall be designed for the site using information obtained from the desktop study and Conceptual Model. The site investigation must be comprehensive enough to enable; a risk assessment to be undertaken, refinement of the Conceptual Model, and the development of a Method Statement detailing the remediation requirements.
 - d. The risk assessment and refined Conceptual Model shall be submitted, along with the site investigation report, to the Local Planning Authority which shall be submitted to, and approved in writing by, the Local Planning Authority prior to that remediation being carried out on site.
 - e. Where remediation of contamination on the site is required, completion of the remediation detailed in the method statement shall be carried out and a report that provides verification that the required works have been carried out, shall be submitted to, and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority before the development is occupied.

Reason: To ensure the development can be implemented and occupied with adequate regard for environmental and public safety.

- 10 If, during development, contamination not previously identified is found to be present at the site then no further development (unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority) shall be carried out until a remediation strategy detailing how this contamination will be dealt with has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The remediation strategy shall be implemented as approved.

Reasons: To ensure that the development is not put at unacceptable risk from, or adversely affected by, unacceptable levels water pollution from previously unidentified contamination sources at the development site in line with paragraph 109 of the National

11. NRMM

a. No works shall commence on the site until all plant and machinery to be used at the demolition and construction phases have been submitted to, and approved in writing by, the Local Planning Authority. Evidence is required to meet Stage IIIB of EU Directive 97/68/ EC for both NO_x and PM. No works shall be carried out on site until all Non-Road Mobile Machinery (NRMM) and plant to be used on the site of net power between 37kW and 560 kW has been registered at <http://nrmm.london/>. Proof of registration must be submitted to the Local Planning Authority prior to the commencement of any works on site.

b. An inventory of all NRMM must be kept on site during the course of the demolitions, site preparation and construction phases. All machinery should be regularly serviced and service logs kept on site for inspection. Records should be kept on site which details proof of emission limits for all equipment. This documentation should be made available to local authority officers as required until development completion.

Reason: To protect local air quality and comply with Policy 7.14 of the London Plan and the GLA NRMM LEZ

- 12 The bin enclosure and secure and covered cycle parking spaces as set out on approved drawings shall be provided prior to the occupation of the use hereby permitted and shall be retained thereafter for this use only.

Reason: To promote sustainable modes of transport in accordance with Policy T5 of the London Plan 2021 and Policy SP7 of the Haringey Local Plan 2017

- 13 The noise level from the operation of the air source heat pumps to be installed must not exceed 42dB LAeq (5 min) at 1 metre from the window of a habitable room on the façade of any neighbouring residential property. If, in the opinion of the Local Planning Authority the proposed air source heat pump results in any noise nuisance to the occupant of any neighbouring dwelling the Applicant shall install noise mitigation measures in agreement with the Planning Authority.

Reason: In order to protect the amenities of nearby residential occupiers consistent with Policy D14 of the London Plan 2021 and Policies DM1 and DM23 of The Development Management DPD 2017.

Informatives:

INFORMATIVE

Prior to demolition or any construction work of the existing buildings, an asbestos survey should be carried out to identify the location and type of asbestos containing materials. Any asbestos containing materials must be removed and disposed of in accordance with the correct procedure prior to any demolition or construction works carried out.

INFORMATIVE: Hours of Construction Work

The applicant is advised that under the Control of Pollution Act 1974, construction work which will be audible at the site boundary will be restricted to the following hours:-

8.00am - 6.00pm Monday to Friday

8.00am - 1.00pm Saturday

and not at all on Sundays and Bank Holidays.

INFORMATIVE: NAMING & NUMBERING

The new development will require numbering. The applicant should contact the Local Land Charges at least six weeks before the development is occupied (tel. 020 8489 3472) to arrange for the allocation of a suitable address.

INFORMATIVE: Thames Water

A Groundwater Risk Management Permit from Thames Water will be required for discharging groundwater into a public sewer. Any discharge made without a permit is deemed illegal and may result in prosecution under the provisions of the Water Industry Act 1991. We would expect the developer to demonstrate what measures he will undertake to minimise groundwater discharges into the public sewer. Permit enquiries should be directed to Thames Water's Risk Management Team by telephoning 020 3577 9483 or by emailing trade.effluent@thameswater.co.uk. Application forms should be completed on line via www.thameswater.co.uk. Please refer to the Wholesale; Business customers; Groundwater discharges section.

INFORMATIVE: Party Wall

The applicant's attention is drawn to the Party Wall Act 1996 which sets out requirements for notice to be given to relevant adjoining owners of intended works on a shared wall, on a boundary or if excavations are to be carried out near a neighbouring building.

INFORMATIVE: CIL

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