

Tynedale Local Area Council Planning Committee 9 April 2019

Application No:	19/00606/LBC			
Proposal:	Listed Building Consent for the replacement of existing boiler installations to east and			
	west plant rooms, including replacement of existing flue linings.			
Site Address	The Sele First School, Access Road To The Sele, Hexham, NE46 3QZ			
Applicant:	Ms Karen Er	nright	Agent:	Mr Paul Strong
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Ward	Hexham Central With Acomb		Parish	Hexham
Valid Date:	26 February 2019		Expiry	23 April 2019
			Date:	
Case Officer	Name:	Ms Marie Haworth		
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Recommendation: That this application be GRANTED permission



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1. Introduction

1.1 Under the provisions of the Council's current Scheme of Delegation this application is being brought to the Committee as the application has been submitted by Northumberland County Council and is on land within the ownership of the Council.

2. Description of the Proposals

- 2.1 The application seeks listed building consent for the replacement of existing boiler installations to east and west plant rooms, including replacement of existing flue linings at Sele First School within Hexham.
- 2.2 The school is a Grade II listed building, which directly overlooks Hexham's historic park, and gardens of the Sele. It is also situated within the Hexham Conservation Area. It is an attractive grouping of school buildings, of sandstone with Welsh slate roofs, which was built in the Victorian Gothic style in 1856 with later additions by public subscription in the 1890s.
- 2.3 The proposals include the following;
 - the disconnection and controlled removal of the existing boilers and plant room services.
 - temporary boiler plant hire during the works
 - the replacement of the existing boilers, flue liners, pumps, circulation pipework and controls.
- 2.4 The following documents have been submitted in support of the application:
 - Planning Statement (incorporating Heritage Statement)
 - Mechanical Services Installation Specification Issue 02

3. Planning History

Reference Number: C/02/00040/CCD

Description: Construction of extension and car parking

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: C/09/00120/DISCON

Description: Discharge of conditions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 of planning permission

09/00068/CCD

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: 15/01115/LBC

Description: Listed Building Consent: Replacement of 11no. metal windows on the first

floor of the East block of the school, with new double glazed aluminium windows

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: T/20080940

Description: Tree Notice - Crown raise and reduce by 30% 1 sycamore tree, crown

raise by 20% 1 sycamore tree and pollard 1 ash tree

Status: NO OBJECTION

Reference Number: T/20080465

Description: Tree Notice - Felling of one ash tree

Status: NO OBJECTION

Reference Number: C/97/CC/105

Description: Retention of one double mobile classroom unit

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: C/82/E/084

Description: Main entrance / secretary's office

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: C/88/E/0556

Description: Provision of a double mobile classroom unit

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: C/02/00040/CCD

Description: Construction of extension and car parking

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: C/02/00041/LBC

Description: Listed Building Consent for the construction of extension and car parking

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: C/09/00068/CCD

Description: Creation of a link corridor and first floor extension for a lift and stairwell

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: C/09/00069/LBC

Description: Listed Building Consent for the creation of a link corridor

Status: CONSENT

Reference Number: C/09/00078/LBC

Description: Provide full height aluminium framed glazed partition to school hall, provide timber stud partition to existing ICT room and create doorway opening into hall

Status: CONSENT

Reference Number: C/09/00120/DISCON

Description: Discharge of conditions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 of planning permission

09/00068/CCD

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: C/09/00205/DISCON

Description: Discharge of conditions 3 (material partition) and 4 (materials) pursuant

to planning permission 09/00078/LBC

Status: PER

Reference Number: 11/01559/CCD

Description: To replace boundary fencing

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: 12/00117/FUL

Description: Installation of one 10m high lighting column with two 400 watt lanterns

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: 12/01477/CCD

Description: Installation of adventure playground equipment in school yard together

with relocation of bicycle stand

Status: PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT

Reference Number: 15/01115/LBC

Description: Listed Building Consent: Replacement of 11no. metal windows on the first

floor of the East block of the school, with new double glazed aluminium windows

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: 16/01392/CCD

Description: Proposed refurbishment and alterations to existing link and nursery

entrance (additional information received 2 June 2016).

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: 16/01393/LBC

Description: Listed Building Consent - refurbishment and alterations to existing link and

nursery entrance (additional information received 2 June 2016).

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: 17/00032/LBC

Description: Listed building consent for restoration including masonry repointing and

essential repairs **Status:** PERMITTED

Reference Number: 18/00419/LBC

Description: Listed Building Consent: Proposed window replacement to Sele First

School Hexham
Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: 18/01929/DISCON

Description: Discharge of Conditions 3(Window details) 4(Windows - Scale drawings)

on approved Planning application 18/00419/LBC

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: T/20080940

Description: Tree Notice - Crown raise and reduce by 30% 1 sycamore tree, crown

raise by 20% 1 sycamore tree and pollard 1 ash tree

Status: NO OBJECTION

Reference Number: T/20080465

Description: Tree Notice - Felling of one ash tree

Status: NO OBJECTION

Reference Number: T/20060306

Description: Tree Notice: To fell and remove 3 sycamore, 3 willow and 1 elm self seeded trees, fell and remove two Prunus and remove dead wood from three Sycamore

trees

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: T/20041334

Description: Tree Notice - Felling of 1 elm, 1 cherry, 1 willow leafed pear, 1 ash, removal of self seeded elm, sycamore, Norway maple and cherry. Crown thin and lift 5

cherry trees and prune 2 branches from ash tree

Status: NO OBJECTION

Reference Number: T/82/E/84

Description: Proposed new main entrance/Secretary's office.

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: T/20020928

Description: Tree Notice - Removal of one Willow and one Prunus at

Status: NO OBJECTION

Reference Number: T/970974

Description: COUNTY COUNCIL: (97/CC/105) Retention of double mobile classroom

Status: NO OBJECTION

Reference Number: T/20020237

Description: County Council (02/00040/CCD) Construction of extension and car

parking at

Status: NO OBJECTION

Reference Number: T/20020223

Description: County Council (02/00041/LBC) construction of extension and car

parking at

Status: NO OBJECTION

Reference Number: T/20010565

Description: Tree Notice - Removal of 8 self seeded trees (1 Wych Elm, 1 Elder & 6

Sycamore) and crown lift 3 Ash and 2 Sycamore within the grounds of the

Status: PERMITTED

Reference Number: T/20000371

Description: Tree Notice: Crown lift to a height of 4m on Ash tree and removal of

Cherry and Yew trees at **Status:** PERMITTED

4. Consultee Responses

Hexham Town Council	No response received.
Strategic Estates	No response received.

The Gardens Trust	No comment to make.
Highways	No objection.
County Archaeologist	No objection.
Building Conservation	No objection.

5. Public Responses

Neighbour Notification

Number of Neighbours Notified	17
Number of Objections	0
Number of Support	0
Number of General Comments	0

Notices

Site notice - Listed Building Consent 12th March 2019 Hexham Courant 7th March 2019

Summary of Responses:

None received.

The above is a summary of the comments. The full written text is available on our website at:

http://publicaccess.northumberland.gov.uk/online-applications//applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=PN69GUQSM5B00

6. Planning Policy

6.1 <u>Development Plan Policy</u>

Tynedale LDF Core Strategy 2007

BE1 Principles for the built environment

Tynedale District Local Plan 2000 (saved policies 2007)

GD2 Design Criteria for development, including extensions and alterations

BE21 Alteration and extension to Listed Buildings

6.2 National Planning Policy

National Planning Policy Framework (2019) National Planning Practice Guidance (2014) (as updated)

6.3 Other Documents

Northumberland Local Plan - Publication Draft Plan (Regulation 19) (January 2019)

QOP1 Design principles QOP2 Good design and amenity ENV7 Historic Environment and Historic Assets

7. Appraisal

- 7.1 Section 16 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 requires the local authority to have special regard to the desirability of preserving the listed building its setting and any features of special architectural or historic interest which it possesses.
- 7.2 Paragraph 132 of the NPPF states that when considering the impact of a proposed development on the significance of a designated heritage asset, great weight should be given to the asset's conservation. Policy BE21 of the Tynedale Local Plan permits alterations to listed buildings subject to criteria, comprising:
 - a) the essential character of the building is retained and its features of special interest remain intact and unimpaired; and
 - b) the works proposed make use of traditional and/or sympathetic building materials and techniques which match or are in keeping with those found on the listed building; and
 - c) the architectural details (e.g. doors, gutters, windows) match or are in keeping with the listed building; and
 - d) the proposal meets the requirements of Policy GD2
- 7.3 The application seeks listed building consent for the replacement of the existing boiler installations to east and west plant rooms, including replacement of existing flue lining and associated works. The justification for the works are that the existing boilers are outdated and the existence of poorly functioning infrastructure, which is also known to contain encapsulated asbestos. The Planning Statement submitted in support of the application states that the works are restricted to the replacement of mechanical and electrical services within the East and West Plantrooms and that there are no proposals to extend or reduce or otherwise physically alter any part of the existing building, other than the replacement of existing flue liners. A Mechanical Services Installation Specification has also been submitted in support of the application. The Building Conservation Officer has been consulted and raises no objections to this proposal.
- 7.4 Having regard to Section 16 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation

Areas) Act 1990 (as amended), and Chapters 7 and 12 of the NPPF, the development proposal safeguards and preserves the Listed Building, its setting and its special architectural and historic interest which it possesses. Subject to conditions the proposal would therefore accord with Policies GD2 and BE21 of the Tynedale Local and Policy BE1 of the Tynedale Core Strategy.

Other Considerations

Equality Duty

7.5 The County Council has a duty to have regard to the impact of any proposal on those people with characteristics protected by the Equality Act. Officers have had due regard to Sec 149(1) (a) and (b) of the Equality Act 2010 and considered the information provided by the applicant, together with the responses from consultees and other parties, and determined that the proposal would have no material impact on individuals or identifiable groups with protected characteristics. Accordingly, no changes to the proposal were required to make it acceptable in this regard.

Crime and Disorder Act Implications

7.6 These proposals have no implications in relation to crime and disorder.

Human Rights Act Implications

- 7.7 The Human Rights Act requires the County Council to take into account the rights of the public under the European Convention on Human Rights and prevents the Council from acting in a manner which is incompatible with those rights. Article 8 of the Convention provides that there shall be respect for an individual's private life and home save for that interference which is in accordance with the law and necessary in a democratic society in the interests of (inter alia) public safety and the economic well being of the country. Article 1 of protocol 1 provides that an individual's peaceful enjoyment of their property shall not be interfered with save as is necessary in the public interest.
- 7.8 For an interference with these rights to be justifiable the interference (and the means employed) needs to be proportionate to the aims sought to be realised. The main body of this report identifies the extent to which there is any identifiable interference with these rights. The Planning Considerations identified are also relevant in deciding whether any interference is proportionate. Case law has been decided which indicates that certain development does interfere with an individual's rights under Human Rights legislation. This application has been considered in the light of statute and case law and the interference is not considered to be disproportionate.
- 7.9 Officers are also aware of Article 6, the focus of which (for the purpose of this decision) is the determination of an individual's civil rights and obligations. Article 6 provides that in the determination of these rights, an individual is entitled to a fair and public hearing within a reasonable time by an independent and impartial tribunal. Article 6 has been subject to a great deal of case law. It has been decided that for planning matters the decision making process as a whole, which includes the right of review by the High Court, complied with Article 6.

8. Conclusion

8.1 Having regard to Section 16 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (as amended), and Chapters 7 and 12 of the NPPF, the development proposal safeguards and preserves the Listed Building, its setting and its special architectural and historic interest which it possesses. Subject to conditions the proposal would therefore accord with Policies GD2 and BE21 of the Tynedale Local and Policy BE1 of the Tynedale Core Strategy.

9. Recommendation

That this application be GRANTED permission subject to the following:

Conditions/Reason

01. The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

Reason: To comply with Section 18 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (as amended).

- 02. The development hereby permitted shall not be carried out otherwise than in complete accordance with the approved plans. The approved plans for this development are:-
- 1. Site Location, Drawing No 1248 AL 001
- 2. Proposed Site Plan, Drawing No. 1248 AL005
- 3. Proposed Roof plan, Drawing No. 1248 AL 006
- 4. Mechanical Services Installation Proposed Site Layout Plan, Drawing No. 1061 (5) Revision 00
- 5. Electrical Services Installation Plan, Drawing No. 1061 (6-) 02 Revision 00

Reason: To ensure that the approved development is carried out in complete accordance with the approved plans.

Background Papers: Planning application file(s) 19/00606/LBC