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TRANSPORTATION AND HIGHWAYS

Please can you provide me with observations on the following:

Application Address: Newcombe House, 45, Notting Hill Gate W11

Application Ref: CA/03/1483/

Plans Enclosed: YES

Date: 24/07/03

Officer: Ian Williams , N

Telephone no. 2734

Also enclosed is a copy of a recent letter by the applicant. I'm minded to recommend this application for refusal on the grounds of amenity and public safety. If you are also of the same opinion, please can you provide adequate detailed transportation information for my report as this one is probably going to an appeal.



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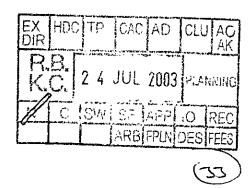
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Dear Mr Williams

APPLICATION FOR CONSENT TO DISPLAY AN ADVERTISEMENT NEWCOMBE HOUSE, 45 NOTTING HILL GATE, W11

I refer to our recent telephone conversation and to your fax of yesterday's date.

As you know Section 54A of the 1990 Act does not apply to advertisement applications which are subject to the 1992 Control of Advertisements Regulations and the guidance contained in PPG19. UDP Policies are nonetheless a material Consideration.

As it happens the recently adopted Policy CD76 reflects the criteria identified in the Regulations and the PPG and there is therefore no conflict between them in this case.

The Appellant Company is, of course, well aware that the very large advertisements comprise a new concept which is innovative and therefore bound be treated with suspicion by some Planning Authorities. However such advertisements, though fairly unusual in urban areas, are not without precedent. Indeed there are numerous precedents where permissions for much larger advertisements have been granted and within areas of much greater sensitivity than the area around this appeal site.

For example temporary permission was granted in 2001 for an illuminated safety scaffold screen covering the whole of the façade of the Fort Dunlop building in Birmingham (a well known local landmark building north of the M6 to the north of Birmingham city centre) with an area of 2,921 sq m – over 10 times larger than that currently proposed on the appeal site. This was also for a limited period and it seems to me that its implications, in terms of road safety, can only have been much more serious than in this case in view of the existing record of accidents on that stretch of the M6.

What makes very large advertisements acceptable in many locations is not just a growing realisation that they very often do not give rise to either safety or amenity concerns but also because the new pvc mesh technology enables them to remain looking good through the period of their display. This is because they are not



susceptible to wind damage and there is no danger of their becoming torn and unsightly. This is an important consideration. It is, indeed, increasingly accepted that they can enhance the appearance of buildings which are reaching the end of their economic lives.

AMENITY ISSUES

Local Characteristics of the Neighbourhood

Paragraph 11 in PPG 19 identifies local characteristics which contribute to the distinctive character of a neighbourhood. These include:-

- (i) scenic;
- (ii) historic;
- (iii) architectural; and
- (iv) cultural

The site lies within an area which is predominantly commercial in character and where advertisements are normally found to be acceptable. Newcombe House itself is believed to have been built in the 1960s and has little, if any, architectural merit. It is, however a prominent feature within Notting Hill Gate but not one which adds anything to its appearance or amenity. Indeed many would agree that it is something of an eyesore which would benefit from being enlivened by interesting and regularly changing advertisement displays at least for the period for which permission is being sought.

As I said earlier there are numerous precedents where large advertisements have been permitted on buildings which are reaching the end of their economic lives pending redevelopment. A recent appeal decision by Mr Noel Hutchinson, relating to a site in Nottingham, was reported in "Planning". I enclose a copy of the article together with a copy of the appeal decision

It is interesting to note that in that case the banner covered only part of an otherwise symmetrical elevation, including extensive fenestration. In this case the proposed banner will only cover windows serving an emergency staircase and will be located symmetrically on the elevation in question. In short the effect on the appearance and architectural integrity of the building will be significantly less.

The building in Nottingham appears to be of a similar age to Newcombe House and was considered by the Inspector to be of unattractive appearance. Since it is of a similar design to Elizabeth House it is reasonable to assume that the same view should be taken in this case.

Also of interest in the fact that the banner was not placed on scaffolding. Despite this it was considered that the building was of sufficiently unsightly appearance to warrant its use for displaying a banner.

In addition the building in Nottingham is in a Conservation Area, and overlooked by another Conservation Area. In this case it is apparent immediately from the UDP Proposals Map that most of the southern and middle parts of the Royal Borough lie

within Conservation Areas. It is exceptional that the application site lies within an area which does not have such a designation. It is therefore particularly suitable for the type of advertisement which is proposed. Similar large advertisements have, in fact, been permitted within the Royal Borough even within Conservation Areas. The former Kensington Market site in Kensington High Street, where I made the successful application for a large advertisement, is such a case.

Residential Amenity

Paragraph 7 of the Annex to PPG19 points out that poster advertising is not normally appropriate in a predominantly residential locality but may be acceptable in mixed use areas. In this case the area is, as I have said, predominantly commercial and very few residential units will be able to see the proposed banner.

Advertisements on large buildings

I said earlier that the type of advertisement which is being proposed constitutes a new concept. The technology which enables such large advertisements to succeed was not available in March 1992, when PPG 19 was first published. Indeed the guidance contained in the Annex to the PPG dates back still further to 1984. Detailed and up to date Central Government Guidance is therefore not available.

Clearly many Local Planning Authorities recognise that there are now occasions when the circumstances are such that very large advertisements are acceptable. Paragraph 4 of PPG 19 makes reference to the then Environment White Paper which stated that it is the appearance of a building which is of greatest importance. "A good building can contribute towards a sense of pride of place".

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Nobody would, I believe, suggest that the building on which the proposed advertisement is to be located is attractive or that it could conceivably contribute towards pride of place.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Often, in cases of this nature, I would consider it appropriate to instruct a Highway Consultant to take a view. Indeed initially it was my intention to do so. However, in this case, I decided, on reflection, that there really is no safety case to answer.

The banner will only be seen by motorists travelling in an easterly direction along Notting Hill Gate. This traffic is slow moving because of a series of traffic lights and it is therefore most unlikely that any advertisement would be sufficiently distracting to be a hazard.

The advertisements will comply with the Advertising Standards and any lettering will be limited to 6 words or less to minimise distraction. There will be no moving elements. If travelling from the east in a westerly direction the advertisement will not be seen at all by drivers.

To conclude, this is not a case where a banner within a Conservation Area is proposed nor would any Listed Buildings be affected. Nor is there a public safety issue. I would

urge you, therefore, to think very carefully and objectively about the criteria set out in PPG19 which, on reflection, I feel sure you will agree are met in the circumstances of this case.

Yours sincerely

Jeremy W Clark-Lowes MA FRICS

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legal test in assessing whether a building fell within the curtilage of a dwellinghouse. The claimant had appealed against Wealden District Council's refusal of planning permission for the use of a detached annexe for self-catering holiday accommodation and for a replacement workshop in the grounds. The inspector had concluded that the workshop did not serve a useful ancillary purpose and accordingly did not fall within the curtilage.

The claimant argued that this was the wrong test. He claimed that the judgement in Sinclair-Lockhart's Trustees v Central Land Board [1950] only required that the workshop should serve the dwelling in some reasonably useful way, as opposed to the inspector's contention that it must serve a useful purpose irrespective of the residential use.

Inspector overruled on dwelling curtilage test

The High Court has quashed an inspector's decision to

grant planning permission for various uses at a property

in Sussex because he had incorrectly applied the wrong

Mr Justice Harrison agreed that the inspector had overstated the test and had applied a higher threshold that was not supported by judicial authority. Because the inspector had concluded that the workshop did not meet the Sinclair-Lockhart test, there was no way to be sure that he had applied the law correctly, the judge ruled.

Wheeler v First Secretary of State and Another; Date: 7 May 2003; Ref: C0/29/2003.



CASE2 I INON

Shroud judged appropriate at redevelopment site

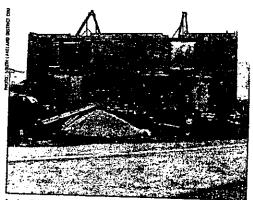
Temporary consent has been granted for a shroud display covering a disused office building in a Nottinghamshire conservation area, after the advertisement was held to be acceptable for a short period. The building was scheduled to be demolished to enable redevelopment of the whole

The advertisement appeal inspector held that in view of the building's limited life and unattractive appearance, the display would have little adverse impact and no longterm harm would ensue provided it was not permanent. Accordingly, he granted consent for a period of nine months to allow the redevelopment of the site to come forward.

DCS No: 47701330; Inspector: Noel Hutchinson; Hearing.

Light beam Judged to harm rural hinterland

The display of a rotating light beam from the roof of a nightclub in Newquay, Comwall, has been rejected on the grounds that it would disrupt "the visual calm of the rural



Lake District: building not necessary for agriculture

hinterland". The beam panned 150 degrees and gave a maximum visibility up to 11km from the town.

In assessing its impact, the advertisement appeal inspector held that the beam would dominate the night sky, appearing as a distinct moving feature that would undermine the amenity of the surrounding countryside. However, he rejected concerns that the beam would undermine highway safety by distracting drivers in and around the town.

DCS No: 40856256; Inspector: Malcolm Sainsbury; Written representations.

AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENTS

Agricultural need claim undermined by design

An application to retain a large portal-framed farm building within a county landscape area in the Lake District has been rejected after an inspector concluded that no agricultural need for it had been shown.

The building, which was located away from a group of other farm structures, was approximately 5.4m high and clad in boarding above a blockwork plinth. The inspector remarked that it was similar to a type of traditional bam whose restricted and inflexible internal layout was generally inappropriate to the needs of modern agriculture

Modern farm buildings were usually more utilitarian in appearance with single-skin blockwork and large sliding doors, he noted. In contrast, he commented, the appeal building was built to a higher standard and had a number of windows, openings and internal walls that provided "built-in obsolescence" and reduced its ability to meet agricultural needs.

He concluded that its design, siting and internal layout demonstrated that the building was not designed for agriculture and accordingly was not reasonably necessary for the operational needs of the farm. He upheld an enforcement notice requiring demolition of the building.

DCS No: 33095627; Inspector: Antony Fussey; Hearing.



Nottingham: shroud display allowed to stay in place for temporary period to screen disused office building

An inspector has agreed to lift an agricult tie from a farm bungalow in Hampshire that there was no market demand for the on its own or as part of the agricultural hold

The council did not object to the princ the condition, but was concerned that it wo to resist an application for another dwell were sold as one lot. But the inspector ju such application would be considered i national and local policies and other mate tions, including the planning history of the fa DCS No: 29007781; Inspector: Martin A Written representations.

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTI

Laboratory refused on sustainability gro The development of a replacement building a laboratory and offices at a site in Hampst rejected despite an appellant's contention could lawfully be used for industrial purpose:

The site contained a complex of buildir mainly been used for the production of p eggs for use as a medium in the production o animal viral vaccines. The appellant submitte ions which suggested that the use was indu than agricultural in character.

The inspector concluded that the propos ment was not one that required a rural locatio that the site was not identified in the develo for employment use. The proposed building inappropriate in terms of mass and design in a rural location, he concluded.

While accepting that the appellant's right existing buildings for employment purposes w rial consideration, he held that the propose testing and technical consultancy laboratory contrary to the principles of sustainable de because it would encourage ar usage.

DCS No: 40234423; Inspector: John Head;

Moral objections to massage parlour over In granting retrospective planning permission of premises in a small shopping parade in Mar a massage parlour, an inspector has accepte potential for clients to be offered sexual servi material planning consideration.

The use had been operating for 18 months the rooms at the premises accommodated a c and a shower or bath and had pomographic ph on the walls. All rooms used by customers were from view. Access to the property was obtained reception area protected by security cameras.

The inspector noted that none of the letter tion received by the council referred to noise di He considered that objections to the use grounds were not relevant to planning, althou epted that the possibility of sexual activities to on the premises was a material consideration gave rise to fear and apprehension among local

However, he judged that customers using t were likely to be discreet and would not wis attention to themselves, so the risk of crime bance was low. He found no evidence to su local residents or schoolchildren had been three harassed by customers or staff. He ruled that tion of the use was acceptable subject to a res hours of operation.

DCS No: 41673002; Inspector: David Rusda Written representations.

Modern design judged out of keeping with A proposed office development close to State centre has been rejected on the grounds unashamedly modem design would appear ind and out of character with the surrounding building



Appeal Decision

Hearing beld on 08 April 2003

by Noel Hutchinson

an Advertisement Appeals Inspector appointed by the First Secretary of State

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Appeal Ref: APP/Q3060/H/02/1105752

Great Northern Plaza, Station Road, Nottingham

- The appeal is made under Regulation 15 of the Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 1992 against a refusal to grant express consent.
- · The appeal is made by Mega Profile Limited against the decision of City of Nortingham Council.
- The application (Ref. 02/02436/ADV2) is dated 7 November 2002.
- The advertisement proposed is PVC shroud display, hung down the face of the building together with external illumination

Summary of Decision: The appeal is allowed and consent granted for the display of the shroud advertisement on the terms set out below in the Formal Decision.

Main Issues

- 1. I consider the main issues to be:
 - Whether the shroud display would harm the appearance of the Station and Lace Market conservation areas for the limited period of 9 months.

Planning Policy

2. The Council have drawn my attention to their advertisement control policies and I have taken them into account as a material consideration. However, powers under the Regulations to control advertisements may be exercised only in the interests of amenity and public safety, taking account of any material factors. In my determination of this appeal the Council's policies have not therefore, by themselves, been decisive.

Reasons

- 3. The appeal premises consist of a tall six-storey office building, set back from the junction between Station Road and London Road. Between London Road and the appeal building is a single-storey furniture store. It is a commercial area with the railway to the immediate south, which passes under London Road, with two former railway stations on the eastern side of the road, a new Premier Lodge hotel and BBC premises to the north east. London Road is the main approach to the city from West Bridgeford and Trem Bridge.
- 4. At the time of my site inspection the appeal shroud was in position together with a small banner at the top of the south facing wall of the block. Currently, the shroud is promoting the redevelopment of the site, but the application is for general advertising. Other advertisements displayed in the area included two 48-sheet panels on the opposite of Station Road, individually lettered signs, box signs, fascia signs, signboards, totem sign and 6-sheet panels.

- Consent for the display is sought for a period of 9 months only. The building is no longer used and will be demolished with a view to redeveloping the whole site. The building is not attractive and is a rather austere example of 60s office architecture. In view of the building's limited life and unattractive appearance I see relatively little concern about any visual impact that the proposed display would have. However, the building is sited within the Station Conservation Area where it is necessary to pay special attention to the desirability of preserving or enhancing its character and appearance. It is important to ensure that this development does not harm the area even for a limited period and a strict control is expected to ensure that any outdoor advertisements do not spoil the appearance of the area. In addition the Lace Market overlooks the site from the high ground to the north and the Council have expressed considerable concern over the impact that the display would have on the setting of this conservation area.
- Taking the immediate setting of the appeal premises first, it is mainly commercial and not particularly attractive. Large office premises, with the appeal premises playing a dominant role, together with railway land and other industrial properties dominate it. The fine Midland Railway station building, which must be the jewel in the crown, is at the western end of the conservation area, some considerable distance away from the appeal site facing west. The redevelopment of the appeal site could make a significant contribution to the townscape qualities of this part of the conservation area. It is part of the significant changes that are being undertaken within the area. To the north of the canal has been a considerable amount of demolition and clearance of building and the former high level railway line, with its arches and bridge over the canal. The former Great Central railway arches are in the process of modification for part of the new tramway terminating at the railway station. However, unsightly buildings still remain that do little to contribute to the visual qualities of the area. One of these, the Heating Station, is immediately north of the appeal site. Because of its bulk and large chimney it represents a "powerful" industrial backcloth to the appeal site when travelling north along London Road. The conservation area is therefore undergoing considerable upheaval and its appearance is subsequently affected during these extensive operations, which ultimately will include the redevelopment of the appeal site. The limited period of display sought will, be well within the period of these major changes in the area. While I consider that the use of this site as a long term display would be inappropriate, I believe that the addition of the colour and interest from the shroud would help to enliven the appearance of the immediate area and in particular the otherwise dead appearance of this now disused building. I consider that its display would not cause any long-term harm to this conservation area.
- 7. While the Council objected to the display within the Station Conservation Area, they were particularly concerned about the effect of the appeal display on the Lace Market Conservation Area. They drew special attention to the appearance of various prominent listed buildings on the northern skyline, in particular St. Mary's church and its tower, which rise well above the cliff face. The Council submit that the shroud display would be clearly viewed against the backdrop. I accept that some of the buildings, in particular the church tower may be seen through the buildings in the vicinity of the appeal site. But such views are only obtainable from certain points with the buildings seen at some distance away. The appellants quoted a distance of one third of a kilometre. The large Heat Station provides a particularly significant foreground screen to these buildings.

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- 8. The shroud is directed primarily to users of London Road, to both north and south bound, although it has a greater impact on persons travelling north. It becomes visible obliquely from the southern end of the bridge over the railway with the Heat Station effectively terminating the immediate vista to the nearside of north bound drivers and pedestrians. At the northern end of the bridge the display is fully discernible and when focusing upon it at a relatively short distance, the northern skyline will not normally be assimilated at the same time. In my opinion the appeal site is too distant from the buildings within the Lace Market to affect their setting or their value as part of the townscape within this part of the city. I cannot therefore agree with the Council over the degree of sensitivity that they have attributed to the background view from the appeal site. I am not therefore convinced that the temporary display of the shroud advertisement would harm the appearance of the Lace Market Conservation Area.
- 9. There appears to be little doubt that the appeal site is to be redeveloped. The Council have indicated that they have recently granted planning permission for the erection of a mixed use development comprising offices, food and drink facilities, and residential apartments. This permission is subject to a section 106 agreement, which has still not been completed. Although there is no timetable for the redevelopment of the site, matters seem to be progressing. I note that the Council have an informal policy towards shroud displays and that they look favourably on them being used on building scaffolding, while works are undertaken. The Council indicated that they would look at this proposal favourably once the building was under scaffold. Despite the need to complete the section 106 agreement there are no obvious indications that redevelopment will not commence in the near future.
- 10. I consider that the shroud's large rectilinear form when seen against the functional design of the building does not create an unduly harmful relationship. The display is also set back from the road so that it does not overpower or dominate the road, but appears generally in scale with its surroundings. Accordingly I consider that the display of the shroud advertisement for a 9 month period to be reasonable and pending the redevelopment of the site would not look out of place, but would add a degree of interest to the appearance of the site in its current lifeless state.

Conclusions

11. For the reasons given above and having regard to all other matters raised, I conclude that the display of the shroud advertisement would not be detrimental to amenity.

Formal Decision

- 12. In exercise of the powers transferred to me, I allow the appeal and grant consent for the display of the externally illuminated shroud advertisement as applied for. The consent is for 9 months from the date of this decision and is subject to the following standard conditions set out in the Regulations:
 - Any advertisement displayed, and any site used for the display of advertisements, shall be maintained in a clean and tidy condition to the reasonable satisfaction of the local planning authority.
 - 2) Any structure or hoarding erected or used principally for the purpose of displaying advertisements shall be maintained in a safe condition.

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- 3) Where an advertisement is required under these Regulations to be removed, the removal shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the local planning authority.
- 4) No advertisement is to be displayed without the permission of the owner of the site or any other person with an interest in the site entitled to grant permission.
- 5) No advertisement shall be sited or displayed so as to obscure, or hinder the ready interpretation of, any road traffic sign, railway signal or aid to navigation by water or air, or so as otherwise to render hazardous the use of any highway, railway, waterway or aerodrome (civil or military).

The following special condition also applies to this consent:

At the expiry of the period of express consent the advertisement shroud shall be removed and not replaced unless the subject of a further express consent.

13. This decision does not convey any approval or consent, other than under Regulation 5 of the Regulations.

Information

14. A separate note is attached setting out the circumstances in which the validity of this decision may be challenged by making an application to the High Court.

NOEL HUTCHINSON

Advertisement Appeals Inspector

Appeal Decision APP/Q3060/H/02/1105752

APPEARANCES

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FOR THE LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY:

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07 July 2003

Our Ref: JCL/248

Planning and Conservation Department Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea Town Hall Hornton Street London W8 7NX

Dear Sirs

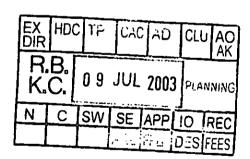
APPLICATION FOR CONSENT TO DISPLAY AN ADVERTISEMENT NEWCOMBE HOUSE, 45 NOTTING HILL GATE, W11

I enclose the necessary documentation with regard to the above together with my cheque in the sum of £220 in payment of the application fee.

When the Case Officer is appointed I will make contact with him/her to provide any further information which he/she may consider to be necessary.

Yours faithfully

Jeremy W Clark-Lowes MA FRICS





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45 NOTTING HILL GATE

Sitename : NEWCOMBE HOUSE

Comment

TP Arch/History: 81044 H 7419

See Also

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ERECTION OF A CHAUFFERS HUT IN EXISTING CAR PARK AT NO.45.

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Received Completd Revised

Decision & Date

Unconditional

26/01/1962

TP No

Brief Description of Proposal

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EXTENSION OF EXISTING CHAUFFEURS HUT ON CAR PARK AT NEWCOMBE HOUSE, NO. 45.

Received Completd Revised

Decision & Date

Unconditional

20/11/1964

TP No

Brief Description of Proposal

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ALTERATIONS TO THE EXTERNAL APPROACH STAIRS TO NEWCOMBE HOUSE.

Received Completd Revised

Decision & Date

Unconditional

19/10/1965

TP No

Brief Description of Proposal

of 11

CIRC. NO. 100/1950 OBS - PROPOSAL TO ERECT A 50' HIGH WIRELESS MAST ON THE ROOF - NO OBJECTION.

Received Completd Revised

Decision & Date Unconditional

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ERECTION OF A 25' HIGH FLAGPOLE.

Received Completd Decision & Date

Conditional

15/12/1972

Revised

TP No TP/84/2199 Brief Description of Proposal

of 11

ERECTION OF A ONE FLOOR OFFICE BUILDING OF APPROXIMATELY 810 SQ.M. OVER THE CAR PARK. OUTLINE.

APPEAL LODGED

Received 05/12/1984 Completd 20/12/1984 Revised 19/03/1985

Decision & Date Conditional

21/05/1985

Appeal Lodged

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TP No

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TCPACT 1971 - SECTION 36 AND SCHEDULE 9: APPEAL AGAINST DECISION DATED 21.5.85. VARIATION OF CONDITION 3. APPEAL ALLOWED.

Received Completd Revised

Decision & Date

Conditional

28/01/1986

TP No TP/96/1314 Brief Description of Proposal

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ERECTION OF NEW ENTRANCE STAIRCASE WITH ASSOCIATED WATER FEATURE, INCLUDING PROVISION OF NEW LIGHTING, SIGNAGE, HANDRAILS AND BALUSTRADING

Received 07/06/1996 Decision & Date Completd 13/06/1996 Conditional

23/08/1996

Revised

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Notes

TP No PP/00/0350

Brief Description of Proposal

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PLANNING PERMISSION IS SOUGHT FOR THE USE OF PART OF THE CAR PARK TO ALLOW A FARMERS MARKET TO BE HELD EACH SATURDAY BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 7.00AM AND 2.00PM FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR.

** WITHDRAWN BY COUNCIL AS USE OF FARMERS MARKET HAS CEASED **

Received 17/01/2000

Decision & Date

Completd 10/02/2000

Withdrawn

19/09/2000

Revised

COUNCIL

TP No PP/01/2576

Brief Description of Proposal

USE OF THE ABOVE CAR PARK FOR FARMERS' MARKET EVERY SATURDAY FOR A LIMITED PERIOD.

Received 06/11/2001

Completd 16/11/2001

Decision & Date Conditional

Revised

TP No PP/03/1205

LIMITED

24/06/2002 30/06/2003

Brief Description of Proposal

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USE PART OF THE CAR PARK TO ALLOW A FARMERS' MARKET TO BE HELD EACH SATURDAY BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 7AM AND 2PM. (RENEWAL OF PLANNING PERMISSION DATED 24/06/2002 REF: PP/01/2576 WHICH GRANTED PERMISSION FOR A LIMITED PERIOD OF ONE YEAR).

Received 03/06/2003

Decision & Date

Completd 03/06/2003

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My reference:

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My Ref: DPS/DCN/CA/03/01483/IW

Planning Information Office

Dear Sir/Madam,

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

Proposed development at: Newcombe House, 45 Notting Hill Gate, London, W11 3JB

Brief details of the proposed development are set out below. Members of the public may inspect copies of the application, the plans and any other documents submitted with it. The Council's Planning Services Committee, in considering the proposal, welcomes comments either for or against the scheme. Anyone who wishes to make representations about the application should write to the Council at the above address within 21 days of the date of this letter. Please telephone should you require further information.

Proposal for which permission is sought

Provision and display for a one year period of a large 20m. by 14m. PVC mesh banner sign (illuminated) to be affixed to the west side elevation of Newcombe House at high level.

Applicant Ravenseft Properties Ltd., 5 The Strand, London, WC2N 4AF

Yours faithfully

M. J. FRENCH

Executive Director, Planning and Conservation

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WHAT MATTERS CAN BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT

When dealing with a planning application the Council has to consider the policies of the Borough Plan, known as the Unitary Development Plan, and any other material considerations. The most common of these include (not necessarily in order of importance):

- The scale and appearance of the proposal and impact upon the surrounding area or adjoining neighbours;
- Effect upon the character or appearance of a Conservation Area;
- Effect upon the special historic interest of a Listed Building, or its setting;
- Effect upon traffic, access, and parking;
- Amenity issues such as loss of Sunlight or daylight, Overlooking and loss of privacy,
 Noise and disturbance resulting from a use, Hours of operation.

WHAT MATTERS CANNOT BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT

Often people may wish to object on grounds that, unfortunately, <u>cannot</u> be taken into account because they are not controlled by Planning Legislation. These include (again not in any order of importance):

- Loss of property value;
- Private issues between neighbours such as land covenants, party walls, land and boundary disputes, damage to property;
- Problems associated with construction such as noise, dust, or vehicles (If you experience these problems Environmental Services have some control and you should contact them direct);
- Smells (Also covered by Environmental Services);
- Competition between firms;
- Structural and fire precaution concerns; (These are Building Control matters).

WHAT HAPPENS TO YOUR LETTER

All letters of objection are taken into account when an application is considered. Revised drawings may be received during the consideration of the case and normally you will be informed and given 14 days for further response. Generally planning applications where 3 or more objections have been received are presented to the Planning Services Committee which is made up of elected Ward Councillors. Planning Officers write a report to the Committee with a recommendation as to whether the application should be granted or refused. Letters received are summarised in the report, and copies can be seen by Councillors and members of the public, including the applicant. The Councillors make the decisions and are not bound by the Planning Officer's recommendation. All meetings of the Committee are open to the public.

If you would like further information, about the application itself or when it is likely to be decided, please contact the Planning Department on the telephone number overleaf.

WHERE TO SEE THE PLANS

Details of the application can be seen at the Planning Information Office, 3rd floor, Town Hall, Hornton Street W.8. It is open from 9am to 4.45pm Mondays to Thursdays (4pm Fridays). A Planning Officer will always be there to assist you.

In addition, copies of applications in the Chelsea Area (SW1, SW3, SW10) can be seen at The Reference Library, Chelsea Old Town Hall, Kings Road SW3 (020 7361 4158), for the Central Area (W8, W14, SW5, SW7) can be viewed in the Central Library, Town Hall, Hornton Street, W.8. and applications for districts W10, W11 and W2 in the North of the Borough can be seen at The Information Centre, North Kensington Library, 108 Ladbroke Grove, London W11 (under the Westway near Ladbroke Grove Station 020 7727-6583). Please telephone to check the opening times of these offices.

If you are a registered disabled person, it may be possible for an Officer to come to your home with the plans. Please contact the Planning Department and ask to speak to the Case Officer for the application.

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NOTICE OF A PLANNING APPLICATION

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990



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DEVELOPMENT AT:

Newcombe House, 45 Notting Hill Gate, London, W11 3JB

DEVELOPMENT:

Provision and display for a one year period of a large 20m. by 14m. PVC mesh banner sign (illuminated) to be affixed to the west side elevation of Newcombe House at high level.

The above development is to be advertised under:-

NO REQUIREMENT FOR SITE NOTICE/ADVERTISEMENT IN THIS CASE.

M.J. French

Executive Director, Planning & Conservation
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28th July 2003

Executive Director Planning & Conservation The Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea The Town Hall Hornton Street LONDON, W8 7NX

Attention: Mr Ian Williams

Dear Sirs.

Planning Application No. PP/03/01 483 Newcombe House, 45 Notting Hill Gate, W11 3JB

I wish to record my objection to the above Planning application.

My flat is on the east side of Campden Hill Towers, and therefore overlooks the west side of Newcombe House, as do 47 other flats in the block.

A large illuminated banner on Newcombe House would be most detrimental to our environment. The only way to avoid the visual intrusion of such a monumental display would be to keep the curtains drawn at all times. Already our windows frequently have to be closed because of penetrating music and noise from the local pubs helped by departing merrymakers, together with unpleasant odours from McDonald's and Burger King: and this latest spectacular would be just another downgrading of our amenities.

However, if Planning permission were granted there should be no reason why Campden Hill Towers could not get Planning acceptance to hoist advertising banners, adding to the "colour" of the area. I, for one, would certainly not want to see this happen, and therefore request that the current Planning Application for a banner on Newcombe House be rejected. I believe any such banner would set an unhappy precedent, besides its effect on our outlook and its intrusion.

Yours faithfully,

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28 July 2003

M.J. French, Esq., Executive Director, Planning & Conservation, Town Hall, Hornton Street, **W87NX**

Dear Mr French:

Re: PP/03/01483 – Newcombe House, 45 Notting Hill Gate, London W11 4JB

I am writing to object to the above proposal. An illuminated sign on the West Side of Newcombe House would be appallingly unsightly, not only degrading the present environment of Notting Hill Gate but also affecting the roads around Hillgate Village. That West-facing side of Newcomb House rises above the roof line at the end of Uxbridge Street and dominates the end of Jameson Street. Such a monstrously intrusive sign as is envisaged would utterly destroy the character of the neighbourhood.

Over the past few years various bodies, including the Kensington and Chelsea Council have worked to improve Notting Hill Gate, especially around Newcombe House itself — it certainly needed it. It is unimaginable that these improvements should be swept away in one go by the acceptance of this awful proposal.

Yours faithfully,

Dr G.P. Bowker

CA Number: Address: Date of obs: 03/1483 Newcombe House, 45 Notting Hill Gate, W11 28th July 2003

Proposal:

Consent to display an advertisment on the side of Newcombe House, 20m by 14m.

More info needed	No Objection		No objection STC	Concern Raised	Objection	
Initial Observations	•	ļ	Transportation Offi	cer:	DC Officer:	
Full Observations		✓	Robert Johnson		Ian Williams	
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Comments:

The applicant proposes erection of a large PVC banner advertisement on the outside of the West elevation of Newcombe House, 20m by 14m, and illuminated from above.

TR36 of the UDP states the Council is "to resist development which would result in inter alia any decrease in road safety..."

I made a site visit to the location on Thursday 24th July 2003. I do not consider the erection of such an advertisement to have a noticeable effect on road safety in this location. This elevation of Newcombe House becomes visible from 350m away, when it is a relatively small part of the skyline. My only concern is that the sightline of the elevation for drivers approaching up Holland Park Avenue is very close to that of the elevated traffic signals at the junction with Campden Hill Road, but following my site visit I do not consider the danger from distraction of car drivers to be significant. I enclose a photo.

Relevant transportation policies: TR36

Recommendation: The Director of Transportation and Highways has no objection to the proposal.

Signed:

CA/03/01483.

Williams, lan: PC-PlanSvc

From: Clive Ebberson [clive.ebberson@scancoming.co.uk]

Sent: 23 July 2003 16:54

To: 'ian.williams@rbkc.gov.uk'

Subject: NEWCOME HOUSE, 45 NOTTING HILL GATE, LONDON W11

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Dear Sir,

It has come to my notice that there is a current planning application from Ravenseft Properties Ltd for advertisement signage at Newcombe House. I understand that this is for the provision and display "for one year of a large 20m by 14m pvc mesh banner sign (illuminated) to be affixed to the west side elevation of Newcombe House at high level"

As a resident of Camden Hill Towers with all my windows facing east I vehemently object to such a banner which I would have to face day and night. I consider such an application to be detrimental to the character of the area, which I understood we are all trying to improve.

The halos should never have been considered but this is just another step too far!

I am also interested to know why, since 48 flats in this building face directly towards the western end of Newcombe House, none of us have be notified of this application?

Yours faithfully,

Clive Ebberson

Co Chairman, Campden Hill Towers Management Co Ltd 10 Campden Hill Towers 112 Notting Hill Gate London W11 30W



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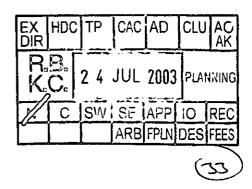
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22 July 2003

Our Ref: JCL/248

Ian Williams Esq Planning and Conservation Department Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea Town Hall Hornton Street London W8 7NX



Dear Mr Williams

APPLICATION FOR CONSENT TO DISPLAY AN ADVERTISEMENT NEWCOMBE HOUSE, 45 NOTTING HILL GATE, W11

I refer to our recent telephone conversation and to your fax of yesterday's date.

As you know Section 54A of the 1990 Act does not apply to advertisement applications which are subject to the 1992 Control of Advertisements Regulations and the guidance contained in PPG19. UDP Policies are nonetheless a material Consideration.

As it happens the recently adopted Policy CD76 reflects the criteria identified in the Regulations and the PPG and there is therefore no conflict between them in this case.

The Appellant Company is, of course, well aware that the very large advertisements comprise a new concept which is innovative and therefore bound be treated with suspicion by some Planning Authorities. However such advertisements, though fairly unusual in urban areas, are not without precedent. Indeed there are numerous precedents where permissions for much larger advertisements have been granted and within areas of much greater sensitivity than the area around this appeal site.

For example temporary permission was granted in 2001 for an illuminated safety scaffold screen covering the whole of the façade of the Fort Dunlop building in Birmingham (a well known local landmark building north of the M6 to the north of Birmingham city centre) with an area of 2,921 sq m – over 10 times larger than that currently proposed on the appeal site. This was also for a limited period and it seems to me that its implications, in terms of road safety, can only have been much more serious than in this case in view of the existing record of accidents on that stretch of the M6.

What makes very large advertisements acceptable in many locations is not just a growing realisation that they very often do not give rise to either safety or amenity concerns but also because the new pvc mesh technology enables them to remain looking good through the period of their display. This is because they are not



susceptible to wind damage and there is no danger of their becoming torn and unsightly. This is an important consideration. It is, indeed, increasingly accepted that they can enhance the appearance of buildings which are reaching the end of their economic lives.

AMENITY ISSUES

Local Characteristics of the Neighbourhood

Paragraph 11 in PPG 19 identifies local characteristics which contribute to the distinctive character of a neighbourhood. These include:-

- (i) scenic;
- (ii) historic;
- (iii) architectural; and
- (iv) cultural

The site lies within an area which is predominantly commercial in character and where advertisements are normally found to be acceptable. Newcombe House itself is believed to have been built in the 1960s and has little, if any, architectural merit. It is, however a prominent feature within Notting Hill Gate but not one which adds anything to its appearance or amenity. Indeed many would agree that it is something of an eyesore which would benefit from being enlivened by interesting and regularly changing advertisement displays at least for the period for which permission is being sought.

As I said earlier there are numerous precedents where large advertisements have been permitted on buildings which are reaching the end of their economic lives pending redevelopment. A recent appeal decision by Mr Noel Hutchinson, relating to a site in Nottingham, was reported in "Planning". I enclose a copy of the article together with a copy of the appeal decision

It is interesting to note that in that case the banner covered only part of an otherwise symmetrical elevation, including extensive fenestration. In this case the proposed banner will only cover windows serving an emergency staircase and will be located symmetrically on the elevation in question. In short the effect on the appearance and architectural integrity of the building will be significantly less.

The building in Nottingham appears to be of a similar age to Newcombe House and was considered by the Inspector to be of unattractive appearance. Since it is of a similar design to Elizabeth House it is reasonable to assume that the same view should be taken in this case.

Also of interest in the fact that the banner was not placed on scaffolding. Despite this it was considered that the building was of sufficiently unsightly appearance to warrant its use for displaying a banner.

In addition the building in Nottingham is in a Conservation Area, and overlooked by another Conservation Area. In this case it is apparent immediately from the UDP Proposals Map that most of the southern and middle parts of the Royal Borough lie

within Conservation Areas. It is exceptional that the application site lies within an area which <u>does not</u> have such a designation. It is therefore particularly suitable for the type of advertisement which is proposed. Similar large advertisements have, in fact, been permitted within the Royal Borough even within Conservation Areas. The former Kensington Market site in Kensington High Street, where I made the successful application for a large advertisement, is such a case.

Residential Amenity

Paragraph 7 of the Annex to PPG19 points out that poster advertising is not normally appropriate in a predominantly residential locality but may be acceptable in mixed use areas. In this case the area is, as I have said, predominantly commercial and very few residential units will be able to see the proposed banner.

Advertisements on large buildings

I said earlier that the type of advertisement which is being proposed constitutes a new concept. The technology which enables such large advertisements to succeed was not available in March 1992, when PPG 19 was first published. Indeed the guidance contained in the Annex to the PPG dates back still further to 1984. Detailed and up to date Central Government Guidance is therefore not available.

Clearly many Local Planning Authorities recognise that there are now occasions when the circumstances are such that very large advertisements are acceptable. Paragraph 4 of PPG 19 makes reference to the then Environment White Paper which stated that it is the appearance of a building which is of greatest importance. "A good building can contribute towards a sense of pride of place".

Nobody would, I believe, suggest that the building on which the proposed advertisement is to be located is attractive or that it could conceivably contribute towards pride of place.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Often, in cases of this nature, I would consider it appropriate to instruct a Highway Consultant to take a view. Indeed initially it was my intention to do so. However, in this case, I decided, on reflection, that there really is no safety case to answer.

The banner will only be seen by motorists travelling in an easterly direction along Notting Hill Gate. This traffic is slow moving because of a series of traffic lights and it is therefore most unlikely that any advertisement would be sufficiently distracting to be a hazard.

The advertisements will comply with the Advertising Standards and any lettering will be limited to 6 words or less to minimise distraction. There will be no moving elements. If travelling from the east in a westerly direction the advertisement will not be seen at all by drivers.

To conclude, this is not a case where a banner within a Conservation Area is proposed nor would any Listed Buildings be affected. Nor is there a public safety issue. I would

urge you, therefore, to think very carefully and objectively about the criteria set out in PPG19 which, on reflection, I feel sure you will agree are met in the circumstances of this case.

Yours sincerely

Jeremy W Clark-Lowes MA FRICS

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Inspector overruled on dwelling curtilage test

The High Court has quashed an inspector's decision to grant planning permission for various uses at a property in Sussex because he had incorrectly applied the wrong legal test in assessing whether a building fell within the curtilage of a dwellinghouse.

The claimant had appealed against Wealden District Council's refusal of planning permission for the use of a detached annexe for self-catering holiday accommodation and for a replacement workshop in the grounds. The inspector had concluded that the workshop did not serve a useful ancillary purpose and accordingly did not fall within the curtilage.

The claimant argued that this was the wrong test. He claimed that the judgement in Sinclair-Lockhart's Trustees v Central Land Board [1950] only required that the workshop should serve the dwelling in some reasonably useful way, as opposed to the inspector's contention that it must serve a useful purpose irrespective of the residen-

Mr Justice Harrison agreed that the inspector had overstated the test and had applied a higher threshold that was not supported by judicial authority. Because the inspector had concluded that the workshop did not meet the Sinclair-Lockhart test, there was no way to be sure that he had applied the law correctly, the judge ruled.

Wheeler v First Secretary of State and Another; Date: 7 May 2003; Ref: CO/29/2003.



ADVERTISEMENTS

Shroud judged appropriate at redevelopment site

Temporary consent has been granted for a shroud display covering a disused office building in a Nottinghamshire conservation area, after the advertisement was held to be acceptable for a short period. The building was scheduled to be demolished to enable redevelopment of the whole site

The advertisement appeal inspector held that in view of the building's limited life and unattractive appearance, the display would have little adverse impact and no longterm harm would ensue provided it was not permanent. Accordingly, he granted consent for a period of nine months to allow the redevelopment of the site to come forward.

DCS No: 47701330; Inspector: Noel Hutchinson; Hearing.

Light beam judged to harm rural hinterland

The display of a rotating light beam from the roof of a nightclub in Newquay, Cornwall, has been rejected on the grounds that it would disrupt "the visual calm of the rural



Lake District: building not necessary for agriculture

hinterland". The beam panned 150 degrees and gave a maximum visibility up to 11km from the town.

In assessing its impact, the advertisement appeal inspector held that the beam would dominate the night sky, appearing as a distinct moving feature that would undermine the amenity of the surrounding countryside. However, he rejected concerns that the beam would undermine highway safety by distracting drivers in and around the town.

DCS No: 40856256; Inspector: Malcolm Sainsbury; Written representations.

AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENTS

Agricultural need claim undermined by design

An application to retain a large portal-framed farm building within a county landscape area in the Lake District has been rejected after an inspector concluded that no agricultural need for it had been shown.

The building, which was located away from a group of other farm structures, was approximately 5.4m high and clad in boarding above a blockwork plinth. The inspector remarked that it was similar to a type of traditional barn whose restricted and inflexible internal layout was generally inappropriate to the needs of modern agriculture

Modern farm buildings were usually more utilitarian in appearance with single-skin blockwork and large sliding doors, he noted. In contrast, he commented, the appeal building was built to a higher standard and had a number of windows, openings and internal walls that provided "built-in obsolescence" and reduced its ability to meet agricultural needs.

He concluded that its design, siting and internal layout demonstrated that the building was not designed for agriculture and accordingly was not reasonably necessary for the operational needs of the farm. He upheld an enforcement notice requiring demolition of the building.

DCS No: 33095627; Inspector: Antony Fussey: Hearing.

An inspector has agreed to lift an agricultura tie from a farm bungalow in Hampshire after that there was no market demand for the dw on its own or as part of the agricultural holding

The council did not object to the principal the condition, but was concerned that it would to resist an application for another dwelling were sold as one lot. But the inspector judg such application would be considered in national and local policies and other materia tions, including the planning history of the fam DCS No: 29007781; Inspector: Martin And Written representations.

Laboratory refused on sustainability grou The development of a replacement building to a laboratory and offices at a site in Hampshir rejected despite an appellant's contention to could lawfully be used for industrial purposes.

The site contained a complex of building mainly been used for the production of pa eggs for use as a medium in the production of animal viral vaccines. The appellant submitted ions which suggested that the use was indus than agricultural in character.

The inspector concluded that the propose ment was not one that required a rural location that the site was not identified in the develop for employment use. The proposed building inappropriate in terms of mass and design in a rural location, he concluded.

While accepting that the appellant's right existing buildings for employment purposes w rial consideration, he held that the propose testing and technical consultancy laboratory contrary to the principles of sustainable de because it would encourage car usage.

DCS No: 40234423; Inspector: John Head;

Moral objections to massage parlour over In granting retrospective planning permission of premises in a small shopping parade in Man a massage parlour, an inspector has accepte potential for clients to be offered sexual servi material planning consideration.

The use had been operating for 18 months the rooms at the premises accommodated a d and a shower or bath and had pornographic ph on the walls. All rooms used by customers were from view. Access to the property was obtained reception area protected by security cameras.

The inspector noted that none of the letter tion received by the council referred to noise dis He considered that objections to the use grounds were not relevant to planning, althou epted that the possibility of sexual activities ta on the premises was a material consideration gave rise to fear and apprehension among local

However, he judged that customers using to were likely to be discreet and would not wis attention to themselves, so the risk of crime bance was low. He found no evidence to su local residents or schoolchildren had been three harassed by customers or staff. He ruled that tion of the use was acceptable subject to a res hours of operation.

DCS No: 41673002; Inspector: David Rusda Written representations.

Modern design judged out of keeping with a

A proposed office development close to Sta centre has been rejected on the ground unashamedly modern design would appear in and out of character with the surrounding building



Nottingham: shroud display allowed to stay in place for temporary period to screen disused office building



Appeal Decision

Hearing held on 08 April 2003

by Noel Hutchinson

an Advertisement Appeals Inspector appointed by the First Secretary of State

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Appeal Ref: APP/Q3060/H/02/1105752

Great Northern Plaza, Station Road, Nottingham

- The appeal is made under Regulation 15 of the Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 1992 against a refusal to grant express consent.
- The appeal is made by Mega Profile Limited against the decision of City of Nottingham Council.
- The application (Rcf. 02/02436/ADV2) is dated 7 November 2002.
- The advertisement proposed is PVC shroud display, hung down the face of the building together with external illumination

Summary of Decision: The appeal is allowed and consent granted for the display of the shroud advertisement on the terms set out below in the Formal Decision.

Main Issues

- 1. I consider the main issues to be:
 - Whether the shroud display would harm the appearance of the Station and Lace Market conservation areas for the limited period of 9 months.

Planning Policy

The Council have drawn my attention to their advertisement control policies and I have taken them into account as a material consideration. However, powers under the Regulations to control advertisements may be exercised only in the interests of amenity and public safety, taking account of any material factors. In my determination of this appeal the Council's policies have not therefore, by themselves, been decisive.

Reasons

- The appeal premises consist of a tall six-storey office building, set back from the junction between Station Road and London Road. Between London Road and the appeal building is a single-storey furniture store. It is a commercial area with the railway to the immediate south, which passes under London Road, with two former railway stations on the eastern side of the road, a new Premier Lodge hotel and BBC premises to the north east. London Road is the main approach to the city from West Bridgeford and Trem Bridge.
- 4. At the time of my site inspection the appeal shroud was in position together with a small banner at the top of the south facing wall of the block. Currently, the shroud is promoting the redevelopment of the site, but the application is for general advertising. advertisements displayed in the area included two 48-sheet panels on the opposite of Station Road, individually lettered signs, box signs, fascia signs, signboards, totern sign and 6-sheet panels.

- 5. The proposal concerns the temporary use of the building to display a shroud advertisement. Consent for the display is sought for a period of 9 months only. The building is no longer used and will be demolished with a view to redeveloping the whole site. The building is not attractive and is a rather austere example of 60s office architecture. In view of the building's limited life and unattractive appearance I see relatively little concern about any visual impact that the proposed display would have. However, the building is sited within the Station Conservation Area where it is necessary to pay special attention to the desirability of preserving or enhancing its character and appearance. It is important to ensure that this development does not harm the area even for a limited period and a strict control is expected to ensure that any outdoor advertisements do not spoil the appearance of the area. In addition the Lace Market overlooks the site from the high ground to the north and the Council have expressed considerable concern over the impact that the display would have on the setting of this conservation area.
- Taking the immediate setting of the appeal premises first, it is mainly commercial and not particularly attractive. Large office premises, with the appeal premises playing a dominant role, together with railway land and other industrial properties dominate it. The fine Midland Railway station building, which must be the jewel in the crown, is at the western end of the conservation area, some considerable distance away from the appeal site facing west. The redevelopment of the appeal site could make a significant contribution to the townscape qualities of this part of the conservation area. It is part of the significant changes that are being undertaken within the area. To the north of the canal has been a considerable amount of demolition and clearance of building and the former high level railway line, with its arches and bridge over the canal. The former Great Central railway arches are in the process of modification for part of the new tramway terminating at the railway station. However, unsightly buildings still remain that do little to contribute to the visual qualities of the area. One of these, the Heating Station, is immediately north of the appeal site. Because of its bulk and large chimney it represents a "powerful" industrial backcloth to the appeal site when travelling north along London Road. The conservation area is therefore undergoing considerable upheaval and its appearance is subsequently affected during these extensive operations, which ultimately will include the redevelopment of the appeal site. The limited period of display sought will, be well within the period of these major changes in the area. While I consider that the use of this site as a long term display would be inappropriate, I believe that the addition of the colour and interest from the shroud would help to enliven the appearance of the immediate area and in particular the otherwise dead appearance of this now disused building. I consider that its display would not cause any long-term harm to this conservation area.
- 7. While the Council objected to the display within the Station Conservation Area, they were particularly concerned about the effect of the appeal display on the Lace Market Conservation Area. They drew special attention to the appearance of various prominent listed buildings on the northern skyline, in particular St. Mary's church and its tower, which rise well above the cliff face. The Council submit that the shroud display would be clearly viewed against the backdrop. I accept that some of the buildings, in particular the church tower may be seen through the buildings in the vicinity of the appeal site. But such views are only obtainable from certain points with the buildings seen at some distance away. The appellants quoted a distance of one third of a kilometre. The large Heat Station provides a particularly significant foreground screen to these buildings.

- 8. The shroud is directed primarily to users of London Road, to both north and south bound, although it has a greater impact on persons travelling north. It becomes visible obliquely from the southern end of the bridge over the railway with the Heat Station effectively terminating the immediate vista to the nearside of north bound drivers and pedestrians. At the northern end of the bridge the display is fully discernible and when focussing upon it at a relatively short distance, the northern skyline will not normally be assimilated at the same time. In my opinion the appeal site is too distant from the buildings within the Lace Market to affect their setting or their value as part of the townscape within this part of the city. I cannot therefore agree with the Council over the degree of sensitivity that they have attributed to the background view from the appeal site. I am not therefore convinced that the temporary display of the shroud advertisement would harm the appearance of the Lace Market Conservation Area.
- 9. There appears to be little doubt that the appeal site is to be redeveloped. The Council have indicated that they have recently granted planning permission for the erection of a mixed use development comprising offices, food and drink facilities, and residential apartments. This permission is subject to a section 106 agreement, which has still not been completed. Although there is no timetable for the redevelopment of the site, matters seem to be progressing. I note that the Council have an informal policy towards shroud displays and that they look favourably on them being used on building scaffolding, while works are undertaken. The Council indicated that they would look at this proposal favourably once the building was under scaffold. Despite the need to complete the section 106 agreement there are no obvious indications that redevelopment will not commence in the near future.
- 10. I consider that the shroud's large rectilinear form when seen against the functional design of the building does not create an unduly harmful relationship. The display is also set back from the road so that it does not overpower or dominate the road, but appears generally in scale with its surroundings. Accordingly I consider that the display of the shroud advertisement for a 9 month period to be reasonable and pending the redevelopment of the site would not look out of place, but would add a degree of interest to the appearance of the site in its current lifeless state.

Conclusions

il. For the reasons given above and having regard to all other matters raised, I conclude that the display of the shroud advertisement would not be detrimental to amenity.

Formal Decision

- 12. In exercise of the powers transferred to me, I allow the appeal and grant consent for the display of the externally illuminated shroud advertisement as applied for. The consent is for 9 months from the date of this decision and is subject to the following standard conditions set out in the Regulations:
 - Any advertisement displayed, and any site used for the display of advertisements, shall be maintained in a clean and tidy condition to the reasonable satisfaction of the local planning authority.
 - 2) Any structure or hoarding erected or used principally for the purpose of displaying advertisements shall be maintained in a safe condition.

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- Where an advertisement is required under these Regulations to be removed, the removal shall be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the local planning authority.
- 4) No advertisement is to be displayed without the permission of the owner of the site or any other person with an interest in the site entitled to grant permission.
- 5) No advertisement shall be sited or displayed so as to obscure, or hinder the ready interpretation of, any road traffic sign, railway signal or aid to navigation by water or air, or so as otherwise to render hazardous the use of any highway, railway, waterway or aerodrome (civil or military).

The following special condition also applies to this consent:

At the expiry of the period of express consent the advertisement shroud shall be removed and not replaced unless the subject of a further express consent.

13. This decision does not convey any approval or consent, other than under Regulation 5 of the Regulations.

Information

14. A separate note is attached setting out the circumstances in which the validity of this decision may be challenged by making an application to the High Court.

NOEL HUTCHINSON

Advertisement Appeals Inspector

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<Cllr.Campion@rbkc.gov.uk> Subject: Newcombe House, 45 Notting Hill Gate

Date: Wed, 23 Jul 2003 09:52:46 +0100

Dear Mr Williams:

I write concerning the planning application from Ravenseft Properties Ltd "for the provision and display for a one year period of a large 20M by 14 M pvc mesh banner sign (illuminated) to be affixed to the west side elevation of Newcombe House at high level".

As a resident of Ivy Lodge on Notting Hill Gate, and as co-chair of Campden Hill Towers Management Ltd, representing residents of Campden Hill Towers, my own building and Gate Hill Court, I feel this application is entirely inappropriate. Such a large mesh banner is out of keeping with the rest of the street which we are trying to enhance, and detrimental to the character of the area. This is an advertising hoarding where any product may be advertised. If approved, would be likely to set an unwelcome precedent.

Please record my vigorous opposition to these proposals and represent them when the application is formally considered.

Yours sincerely,

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Subject: RE: Newcombe House, 45 Notting Hill Gate (CA/03/01483)

Dear Councillor Campion,

No decision will be taken until after the end of the statutory consultation period.

M. J. French, Executive Director, Planning and Conservation. 020 7361 2944

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APPLICATION DATED: 07/07/2003

DATE ACKNOWLEDGED: 17 July 2003

APPLICATION COMPLETE: 17/07/2003

DATE TO BE DECIDED BY: 11/09/2003

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