Two representations were received from the applicant responding to letters of objection. The applicant noted in his opinion, that the application would result in an improvement to the residential amenity of the area, and also noted that a number of the objections were not genuine, did not concern material planning considerations or were politically motivated. j

The Committee heard a representation against the application from Mr Pineles, a residents' association representative.

The Committee heard representations in support of the application from Mr Edwards, the applicant, and from Mrs Bailey and Mr Hamilton-Miller, who were local residents and members of REIC.

The Committee heard a representation read by Ms Wenman on behalf of Zac Goldsmith, the Member of Parliament for Richmond Park and North Kingston.

The Committee heard representations from Councillor Head and from Councillor Naylor, who spoke as interested Councillors.

The Committee discussed the proposed variation to the condition relating to use of premises (HM01). The nature of Metropolitan Open Land (MOL) was discussed and it was noted that allowing a wider use without having strong reasons for doing so would be contrary to the Council's policies regarding MOL. It was also noted that the application to vary the condition would mean that a wide range of interpretations of the use would be possible and hence it would be difficult to ensure the use did not have a harmful effect on the MOL. It would also be more difficult to ensure this if the permission were no longer personal.

The Committee debated whether relaxing the use and hours of operation would have a harmful impact on neighbouring residents in terms of noise. Members of the Committee felt that given the location of the application site within Metropolitan Open Land, the applicant would need to demonstrate clearly the benefits of removing or varying conditions. It was felt that the potential harm to the MOL outweighed any benefits which had been identified.

#### It was RESOLVED:

That the application be REFUSED for the reasons set out in the officer's report.

## B. 10/3181/FUL - LAND ADJ TO LEVEL CROSSING, MANOR ROAD, RICHMOND (NETWORK RAIL)

Having declared that she had pre-determined her view, Councillor Harborne withdrew from the Committee for the duration of this item.

The Development Control Officer introduced the item and made the following amendment to the report:

Add policy 'DM DC1' to reason for refusal.

The Development Control Officer reported receipt of the following correspondence:

Further letters objecting to the scheme, making the following comments:

- "Stairs are inadequate width.
- Fully enclosed bridge would not be used at night for fear of safety.
- · Object to design.

- Unsuitable for elderly and disabled or those with pushchairs.
- Covered bridge not necessary when all others in area are open.
- · Claustrophobic and threatening environment.
- Appears that many of those who support the bridge have not examined the precise design of the bridge but merely agree with the principle.
- Best option is to rebuild the existing bridge closer to crossing.
- · Two bridges, twice the maintenance.
- Positioning will hinder maintenance vehicles.
- · Results in people having to cross the road unnecessarily.
- Residents and commuters should not be made to pay for Network Rail's actions in positioning the signalling equipment.
- Impact on privacy, aspect and security would be unbearable.
- In terms of commuters, anyone alighting at North Sheen and wanting to move south would have to use the old bridge, cross the road and then use the new bridge.
- Caging of bridge unnecessary and is not present on other bridges in the area.
- Better control of times the barriers are down would be a better solution."

The Development Control Officer clarified that a total of 21 individuals had objected to the proposal. Additional correspondence was reported:

Two further letters received supporting the scheme including one from the 'Windsor Lines Passengers Association' (WLPA) making the following comments:

- "The WLPA has been campaigning for a long time to have the bridge at North Sheen Station restored to its full width to cater for passengers coming from the south side to the station and to make it possible for pedestrians to walk over the railway when it is closed.
- The WLPA urge the committee to find a modified design or alternative location if this application is rejected.
- Witnessed people crossing with the barriers down.
- The cage is sad reflection on idiots who think it is fun throwing shopping trolleys on to the line, if left off, Network Rail would probably be accused of negligence.
- Initially a new structure always has an impact but after it has been there a
  while it will just become part of the scenery.
- Question of the times the barriers are down needs to be addressed. This
  will be less of a problem for the vast majority of pedestrians when the
  footbridge is built."

## Email from Network Rail:

Network Rail has decided that it will proceed with planning permission for a caged footbridge, but when the bridge is built is will not be caged. If subsequent events prove that there is a health and safety need for the bridge to be caged, Network Rail will install caging.

The Committee heard representations against the application from Mr Brewster and Mr Ingle, who were adjoining neighbours.

The Committee heard representations in support of the application from Mr Carthew, a local resident and from Mr O'Brien, who was representing the applicant, Network Rail.

The Committee heard representations from Councillor Harborne and from Councillor Head who spoke as interested Councillors.

The Committee were concerned about the potential harm that the bridge might cause the residents of Manor Park in terms of being overbearing and visually intrusive. However, it was felt that the bridge would significantly increase pedestrian safety in the vicinity and that station users and local residents were likely to make frequent use of it. Though the Committee were mindful of the need to consider the application before them, it was debated whether an alternative location or size for a bridge would ever be feasible given the restrictions of the surrounding environment. The Committee considered that the potential harm caused by the design and siting of the bridge could be mitigated by conditions. Members felt that neighbouring residents should be given the opportunity to comment on the final design and materials to be used for the bridge in order to reduce visual harm.

#### It was RESOLVED:

(i) That the application be APPROVED, for the following reason:

Reason for Approval: The proposal has been considered in the light of the Development Plan, comments from statutory consultees and third parties (where relevant) and compliance with Supplementary Planning Guidance as appropriate. It has been concluded that there is not a demonstrable harm to interests of acknowledged importance caused by the development that justifies withholding planning permission. The benefits of the proposal in terms of the increase in pedestrian safety are deemed to outweigh the potential detrimental overbearing and visually intrusive impacts on the properties in Manor Park. The potential impacts could also be mitigated by safeguarding conditions regarding external finish and large scale details.

subject to the following conditions and informatives as set out by the Committee:

## Conditions:

- (i) Construction Method Statement
- (ii) AT01 Development begun within 3 years
- (iii) Details to a specified scale: Prior to the commencement of development, a scheme of the following details shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority (this scheme shall be subject to public notification with all those originally consulted, and if objections are received the scheme will be referred to the Planning Committee for resolution):
  - 1. Large scale details (1:20) of external finish, colour, paint and materials
    of bridge, canopy covering the bridge, new palisade fencing and CCTV
    column and camera
  - 2. Submission of materials of canopy / parapet on south elevation of enclosure of bridge to the rear of Manor Park properties
  - · 3. Details of the anti-graffiti coating
  - 4. Details, materials and position of railings and at bottom of stair cases
  - 5. Details of hard surfacing at bottom of stair cases

REASON: To ensure the scheme preserves the character, appearance and amenities of the site and area in general.

(iv) The use of the bridge shall not commence until the canopy over the staircase to the south of the railway line, is installed, of which shall be thereafter maintained. REASON: To protect the privacy of nearby residents.

#### Informatives:

- Composite informative (reason for approval, building regulations, damage to public highway and principle policies)
- Highway: It will be necessary for part of the land to be adopted by the local highway authority. You are urged to contact the Highways Department (Ansar Hanif - 020-8891-7084) to discuss that procedure. Furthermore, as part of that process a Safety Audit will be required by the Transport Planners and in this respect you are advised to contact Mary Toffi (020 8891 7379).
- For the avoidance of doubt the Drawing(s) No(s) to which this decision refers are as follows:- Drawing numbers Design and Access Statement; General Arrangement Proposed Footbridge B109138/PL/100 Rev P0; Topological Survey; Existing Services Site Plan all received on 2nd November 2010.
  - C. 09/2564/FUL DIAMOND HOUSE, FIRST FLOOR, 179-181 LOWER RICHMOND ROAD, RICHMOND (MR RASHED HUSSAIN ZIZA GROUP)

The Development Control Officer introduced the item and reported the receipt of the following:

 One additional representation received in objection to the scheme, reiterating points raised in previous objections and by other objectors.

No representations were heard.

The Committee were satisfied that the travel plan and the temporary period of permission would allow the authority to assess the impact on the highway. The Committee did not identify any potential harm and welcomed that fact that the change of use meant this part of the building would be occupied once more.

## It was RESOLVED:

That the application be APPROVED subject to the conditions and informatives set out in the officer's report.

D. 10/1992/FUL - DIAMOND HOUSE, GROUND FLOOR, 179-181 LOWER RICHMOND ROAD, RICHMOND (MR RAKESH RATHOD)

The Development Control Officer introduced the report. There were no late corrections to the report.

No representations were heard.

As with the application for the First Floor of Diamond House (09/2564/FUL) the Committee were satisfied that the local authority would have the opportunity to assess the impact on the highway given the temporary permission. The Committee did not identify potential harm and welcomed a new use for the vacant premises.

#### It was RESOLVED:

That the application be APPROVED subject to the conditions and informatives set out in the officer's report and subject to the following additional condition:

LT09 - Hard and Soft Landscaping Required

# E. 10/3328/FUL - 36B ROSEDALE ROAD, RICHMOND (MR D. CORBETT)

The Development Control Officer introduced the report and made the following amendments:

Delete conditions DV15 & DV16 and replace with – 'The rooflights in the south facing roofslope shall be permanently fitted with obscured glass and restricted in opening to 100mm in accordance with details which shall have been approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to commencement of the development.

REASON: To safeguard the amenities of the adjoining occupiers and the area.'

#### Add conditions -

- Prior to the commencement of the development hereby approved, details of
  internal cycle parking facilities shall have been submitted to and approved in
  writing by the Local Planning Authority. Thereafter the development shall not
  be completed other than in accordance with the approved details.
  REASON: To accord with this Council's policy to discourage the use of the car
  wherever possible.
- Notwithstanding the details of refuse and recycling provision shown on the
  approved plans, revised details of the storage facilities shall be submitted to
  the Local Planning Authority for approval. Thereafter the development shall
  not be completed other than in accordance with the approved details.
  REASON: In the interests of highway and pedestrian safety together with the
  amenities of surrounding residential properties.
- No development shall take place, including any works of demolition, until a
  construction method statement has been submitted to, and approved in writing
  by the Local Planning Authority. The approved statement shall be adhered to
  throughout the construction period. The statement shall provide for:
  - i) size and routing of construction vehicles and holding areas for these on site;
  - ii) the parking of vehicles of site operatives and visitors;
  - iii) the loading and unloading of plant and materials;
  - iv) the storage of plant and materials used in constructing the development;
  - v) the erection and maintenance of security hoarding;
  - vi) measures to control the emission of dust and dirt during construction;
  - vii) a scheme for recycling and disposing of waste resulting from demolition and construction work:
  - viii) Construction contractors membership of the Considerate Contractors Scheme
  - REASON: In the interests of highway and pedestrian safety together with the amenities of surrounding residential properties
- Add car club membership to condition DV43A.

The Committee heard representations against the application from Mr Cabrelli and Ms Morgan who were neighbours.

The Committee heard a representation in support of the application from Mr Huntley, the agent.

The Committee discussed imposing a condition of the hours of use in order to mitigate the impact on the highway, but it was noted that it would not be deemed reasonable to impose such a condition. The condition contained within the report

which restricted parking permits was seen as an adequate method of preventing street parking. Though the Committee were mindful of the need to reach a decision on the application before them, they were also mindful of the fact that the premises could be converted to B1 use without planning permission. The Committee did not feel that there was a sufficient level of demonstrable harm in the proposal to justify a refusal.

#### It was RESOLVED:

That the application be **APPROVED** subject to the conditions and informatives set out in the officer's report.

F. 10/2931/FUL - NEWLAND HOUSE SCHOOL, WALDEGRAVE PARK, TWICKENHAM (MR JEREMY MEAD AGENT ON BEHALF OF NEWLANDS HOUSE SCHOOL)

The Development Control Officer introduced the item. There were no late changes to the report.

The Committee heard a representation against the application from Ms Gandee, a neighbour.

The Committee were concerned about the development's impact on the amenity of neighbouring properties, in terms of noise level. However, it was noted that a 2m high enclosure was permitted development and the use of the enclosure was ancillary to the educational premises which could continue lawfully. As such enforcement against the structure itself would do little to address concerns of noise and disturbance. It was felt that a restriction on the hours of use would minimise the harm caused to the neighbouring properties to an extent.

## It was RESOLVED:

That the application be APPROVED subject to the conditions and informatives set out in the officer's report, and subject to the following additional condition and informative:

## Condition U37148 - Limited access

No access to the enclosure shall be made by pupils other than before 3-30pm on a term time weekday.

Reason: In the interest of residential amenity having regard to the close proximity of the enclosure with neighbouring private gardens.

## Informative U51444

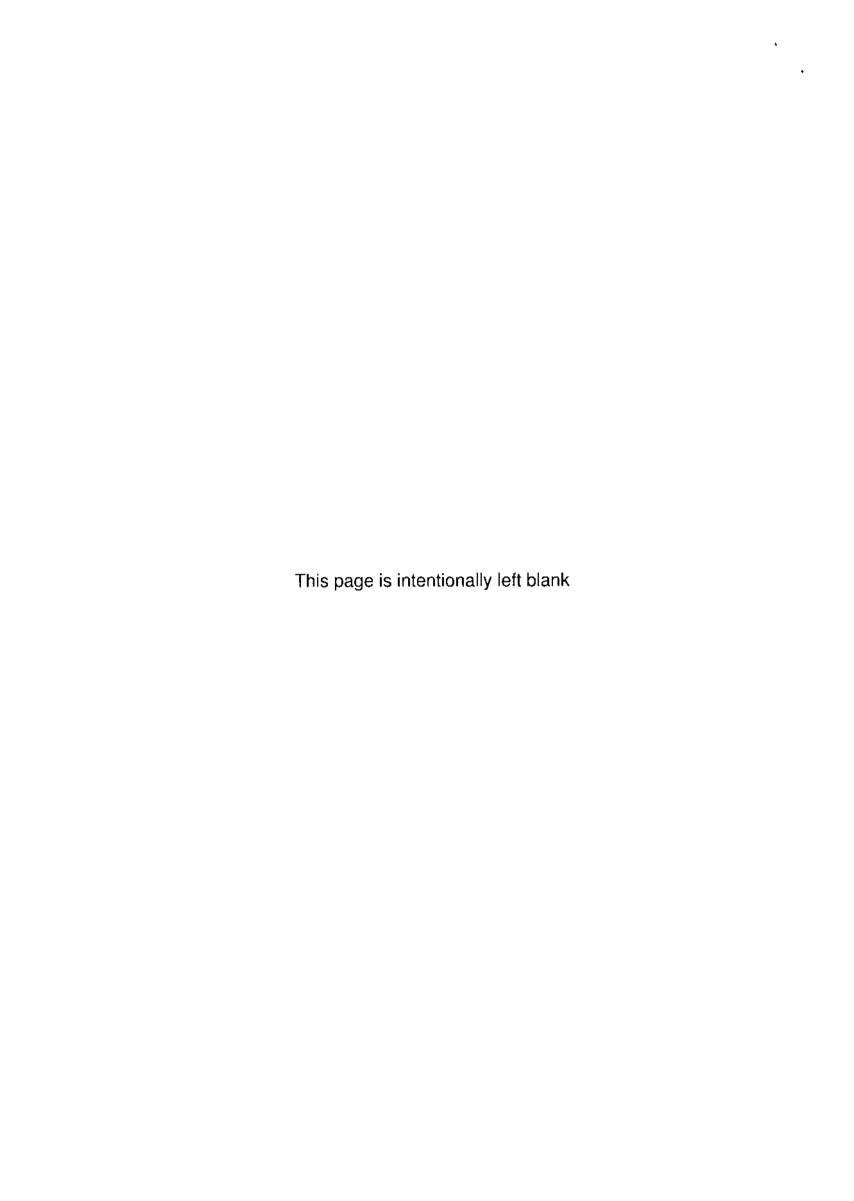
The applicants are requested, having regard to the close proximity of the existing enclosure with neighbouring private gardens, to consider an alternative location within the school premises. Failing this additional/supplementary screen planting is requested along the boundaries with residential property adjacent to the enclosure.

## G. 10/2777/FUL & 10/2780/FUL - 135 FAIRFAX ROAD, TEDDINGTON (MALCOLM WATTON FOR MR N JARVIS)

This application was deferred prior to the meeting and would be heard at a later date.

#### **CHAIRMAN**

The meeting, which started at 6.30pm, ended at 10:10 pm.



Weeting Niles.

53/55 Whitton High Street

Improved TC facilities

Sainsburys – cannot require a named tenant to occupy retail unit – could be Poundland – no contact from Sainburys confirming interest either direct or from applicant

No disagreement that there will be TC benefits from increasing retail floor space

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Compliant with regional and local planning policy

London Plan

While provision to meet the need for convenience goods can be made in larger centres; smaller centres, expecially District centres; are particularly suitable for accommodating growth in convenience goods floorspace. This is secause they form a denser detwork and are particularly accessible by fool as well as public transport.

Draft -- same sentiments

support convenience retail particularly in District, Neighbourhood and more local centres, to secure a sustainable pattern of provision and strong, lifetime neighbourhoods (see Policy 7.1)—ie places that are welcoming, accessible and inviting to everyone regardless of age, health or disability and which provide local facilities available to all.

strengthening TC enabling better competition with out of town retailers eg Tesco∯s at Rugby Road

more sustainable patter of provision

improves availability of accessible local shops

dependant upon tenant, could improve choice for shoppers within reasonable walking distances

knock-on benefits for other shops, cafes etc. from greater footfall

no benefit in terms of vacancy (currently 13% - 114 units total)

Harms

However officers find that scheme cannot be supported in its submitted form because?

The number of units on site are causing clear harms in terms of heighbour amenity (Cypress Avenue gardens 5m away from a 3 storey bidg) - overborne and overlooked ... நடி அரசுக்கிய நடிய வரச்சிய பார் வரச்சிய பார்

Overdevelopment – residential density 126u/ha (policy 33-95u/ha) – 448hr/ha (policy 250hr/ha)

 UD have also raised objections to streetscape massing issues indicative of a high-density scheme - badly related to neighbouring buildings -- at these densities it is very difficult to prevent the building from being overpowering

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Awkward, out-of-proportion features - glazing (compare widths -- rhythm discordent), canted sign fascia (alignment and height- white render strident

The retail unit is clearly welcome but no evidence has been provided to demonstrate that the retail unit cannot come forward within a scheme of lesser units

Planning is an evidence based process and without key information on build costs and Gross Development Value, it has not been demonstrated that the enabling part of the proposed development is only of the scale needed to render the scheme viable as a whole

If a high density scheme is to be supported, and officers are more than happy to work with the applicant, the building needs to be better mannered in terms of both design and neighbourliness

## Residential standards

Pour external amenity space provision

#### Other Matters

 If scheme considered acceptable – recommendation will need to be approve. subject to \$106

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- Sustanability and ground contamination by condition
- CSH rating 3, BREEAM retail excellent
- Energy renewables 20%
- Conditions to be drafted by offciers

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