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FOR DECISION DATED
27 February 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

The Town and Country Planning Act 1990, (as amended)
Decision Notice

Application: 21/2454/FUL
Your ref: Sand Arena Extension
Our ref: DC/SGR/21/2454/FUL
Applicant: Samantha Pedder
Agent: Mr William Aust

WHEREAS in accordance with the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and the orders made thereunder, you have made an application received on **6 July 2021** and illustrated by plans for the permission of the Local Planning Authority to develop land situated at:

Ham Polo Club Petersham Road Petersham Richmond

for

Extension to existing sand arena with associated fencing and surfacing

NOW THEREFORE WE THE MAYOR AND BURGESSES OF THE LONDON BOROUGH OF RICHMOND UPON THAMES acting by the Council of the said Borough, the Local Planning Authority HEREBY GIVE YOU NOTICE pursuant to the said Act and the Orders made thereunder that permission to develop the said land in accordance with the said application is hereby **REFUSED** subject to the reasons and informatives summarised and listed on the attached schedule.

Yours faithfully



Robert Angus
Head of Development Management

SCHEDULE OF REASONS AND INFORMATIVES FOR APPLICATION 21/2454/FUL

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SITE

Ham Polo Club Petersham Road Petersham Richmond

PROPOSAL

Extension to existing sand arena with associated fencing and surfacing

SUMMARY OF REASONS AND INFORMATIVES

REASONS

U0150890	Reason for refusal
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INFORMATIVES

U0075253	Decision drawing numbers
U0075252	NPPF REFUSAL- Para. 38-42

DETAILED REASONS AND INFORMATIVES

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U0150890 Reason for refusal

The erection of the close boarded fencing, the lowering, levelling and finish of the arena and laying of grasscrete, by reason of its siting, scale, materiality and associated activity which impacts upon the tranquillity of the site, would comprise inappropriate development which would be harmful to Metropolitan Open Land, in principle, and adversely impacts on the spatial and visual openness of the area. Other harm has been identified as the development will have an urbanising impact and appear as an alien landscape feature uncharacteristic of, and causing harm to, the Grade II* Registered Park and Garden and the Ham House Conservation Area. No Very Special Circumstances have been demonstrated that clearly either individually or cumulatively outweigh the substantial harm to the MOL and the other harm identified. The proposal is therefore considered contrary to the NPPF, Policy HC1 and G3 of the London Plan, Policies LP1, LP3 and LP13 of the Local Plan (2018) and Policy G1 of the Ham and Petersham Neighbourhood Plan, as supported by the Ham House Conservation Area Statement and Ham House Conservation Area Study.

DETAILED INFORMATIVES

U0075253 Decision drawing numbers

For the avoidance of doubt the Drawing(s) No(s) to which this decision refers are as follows:-

3566-01-a issue A topographical survey received 06.07.21

GL1457 07A soft landscape proposals received 12.01.23

LTD34 12A proposed elevations received 20.12.22

LTD34 10 rev H proposed plans and details received 12.01.23

U0075252 NPPF REFUSAL- Para. 38-42

In accordance with paragraphs 38-42 of the National Planning Policy Framework, Richmond upon Thames Borough Council takes a positive and proactive approach to the delivery of sustainable development, by:

- o Providing a formal pre-application service
- o Providing written policies and guidance, all of which is available to view on the Council's website
- o Where appropriate, negotiating amendments to secure a positive decision
- o Determining applications in a timely manner.

In this instance:

- o The application was recommended for approval and referred to the first available Planning Committee, where the agents / applicants had an opportunity to present the case. The Planning Committee found the scheme was contrary to policy and guidance, and subsequently refused. The Council is ready to enter into formal pre-application discussions, via the formal pre-application service, to advise the applicants of relevant policy and guidance; and where possible assist in the preparation of a new planning permission. More information on the pre-application service and relevant fees can be found online at www.richmond.gov.uk/pre-application_for_developers.

END OF SCHEDULE OF REASONS AND INFORMATIVES FOR APPLICATION
21/2454/FUL

FUL Applications

Making an Appeal – Summary Guidance

Whether to appeal

If the Local Planning Authority (LPA) turn down your application, you should look carefully at the reasons why they turned it down before you make an appeal. You should speak to the LPA to see if you can sort out the problem - perhaps by changing your proposal. An appeal should only ever be a last resort.

Type of appeal:

Planning Application

Appeal time:

Within six months of the date of the council's decision letter.

Who can appeal?

The applicant or their agent may lodge an appeal.

The right of appeal:

You can appeal against the council's decision:

- If you applied to the Local Planning Authority and they:
 - Refused permission;
 - Gave permission but with conditions you think are inappropriate;
 - Haven't approved the details of a scheme which they or the Secretary of State have already given outline planning permission for or;
 - Have approved the details of a scheme but with conditions you think are inappropriate or unreasonable.

- If the LPA rejected a proposal arising from a condition or limitation on a planning permission.
- If the LPA don't decide your application within the time allowed. Normally the time allowed is eight weeks from when they accept your application.
- If the LPA told you they needed more information before they could decide your outline planning application, but you do not want to supply this.

You will make your appeal to the Department for Communities and Local Government of which the Planning Inspectorate is a part. Most are decided by specialist officers in the Planning Inspectorate. Only the person or business applying for consent to display an advertisement may appeal. If the council issues a discontinuance notice, only those on whom the notice is served may appeal.

The appeal process:

Appeals must be made

- Online at www.planninginspectorate.gov.uk, or
- Initial Appeals, The Planning Inspectorate, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN.

It will be expected that all appeal documentation will be submitted electronically.

The process is fully documented on the website of the Planning Inspectorate www.planninginspectorate.gov.uk, however in summary there are three main types of appeal:

Written procedure:

Written evidence is considered from the applicant/agent/business and the council. The council will send copies of any letters of objection or support they received when considering your application. Within six weeks of the Inspectorate receiving your appeal forms the council will send a copy of their statement to the Inspectorate. You must make any comment on these within three weeks.

Hearing procedure:

Hearings allow you and the council to exchange views and discuss your appeal. Before the hearing the council will send a copy of their statement to you and the Inspectorate. You can comment on their statement in writing otherwise the Inspectorate will treat the reasons given in your appeal form as the basis of your case for discussion.

Hearings are usually held in council offices. The Inspector leads the discussion and invites the people involved to put their points across. The Inspector will visit the site unaccompanied before the hearing and will make a further accompanied visit as part of the hearing.

Inquiry procedure:

Inquiries are normally for large-scale applications. A public inquiry is a formal procedure in which both parties have legal representation.

Making your views known on someone else's appeal:

The LPA will notify anyone who took part in the consultations when you first applied for permission that you are appealing. For appeals decided by hearing or inquiry the LPA will tell interested people when and where this will be and let them know that they can attend. The Inspectorate will also take account of the views of certain groups who have a right to comment, for example, owners of a site, local amenity groups and so on.

Costs:

Normally you and the council will pay for your own expenses in an appeal. You can only claim costs when you can show that the council have behaved in an unreasonable way causing unnecessary expense.

Who to contact?

The Planning Inspectorate

Website www.planninginspectorate.gov.uk

Email enquiries@pins.gsi.gov.uk

Telephone 0303 444 5000

Write to Initial Appeals, The Planning Inspectorate, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN

London Borough of Richmond upon Thames

Website www.richmond.gov.uk/planning

Email planningappeals@richmond.gov.uk

Telephone 020 8891 1411 for advice

Write to The Appeals Officer, Development Control, Civic Centre, 44 York Street, Twickenham TW1 3BZ