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**FOR DECISION DATED**  
5 July 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

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

**Application:** 22/1225/FUL  
**Your ref:** P20-0141 St Margarets 3 Units...  
**Our ref:** DC/TFA/22/1225/FUL  
**Applicant:** Beth c/o Agent  
**Agent:** Beth Lambourne

**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 **13 April 2022** and illustrated by plans for the permission of the Local Planning Authority to develop land situated at:

**Car Park At St Margarets Business Centre Godstone Road Twickenham**

for

**Erection of 3 no. residential dwellings (Class C3) with associated parking, access and landscaping.**

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 22/1225/FUL

## APPLICANT NAME

Beth c/o Agent  
21 Ganton Street  
London  
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## AGENT NAME

Beth Lambourne  
21 Ganton Street  
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## SITE

Car Park At St Margarets Business Centre Godstone Road Twickenham

## PROPOSAL

Erection of 3 no. residential dwellings (Class C3) with associated parking, access and landscaping.

## SUMMARY OF REASONS AND INFORMATIVES

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### REASONS

U0160033	Affordable Housing
U0159990	Massing and Design
U0160032	Parking Permits

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### INFORMATIVES

U0080734	Decision drawings
U0080733	NPPF Refusal paras 38-42

# DETAILED REASONS AND INFORMATIVES

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### **U0160033 Affordable Housing**

In the absence of a binding obligation securing an appropriate financial contribution towards the provision of affordable housing within the borough, the proposal would be prejudicial to meeting the Council's affordable housing objectives contrary to London Plan (2021) H4, adopted LBRUT Local Plan (2018) Policies LP30 and LP36 and the Supplementary Planning Document: Affordable Housing.

### **U0159990 Massing and Design**

The proposal by reason of its siting, massing, scale and design in close proximity to site boundaries, would give rise to a cramped and congested site appearance unsympathetic and detrimental to surrounding street scenes, including elevated views from the nearby footbridge, as well as causing the loss of protected site trees and in the future, placing undue pressure to fell trees both existing and proposed. The proposal would also detract from the residential and visual amenities of occupants of the neighbouring residential properties in Godstone Road through perceived overlooking and overbearing impacts. The proposal is therefore contrary to Policies LP1, LP8, LP16 and LP39 of the adopted Local Plan 2018 and Supplementary Planning Documents: "Design Quality" and "Small and Medium Housing Sites"

### **U0160032 Parking Permits**

In the absence of a binding obligation securing the non-eligibility for parking permits within the borough, the proposal would be prejudicial to local on-street parking conditions contrary to the adopted LBRUT Local Plan (2018) Policies LP45 and the Supplementary Planning Document: Transport.

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## DETAILED INFORMATIVES

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### **U0080734 Decision drawings**

For the avoidance of doubt, the drawing numbers to which this decision relates are as follows:

WP-0780-A-0302-S-CC P1; received 30 March 2023

13340/P05, WP-0780-A-0003-P-XX-P02, WP-0780-A-0100-P-00-P02, WP-0780-A-0101-P-01-P02, WP-0780-A-0102-P-02-P02, WP-0780-A-0103-P-RF-P02, WP-0780-A-0200-E-XX-P02, WP-0780-A-0201-E-XX-P02, WP-0780-A-0300-S-AA-P02, WP-0780-A-0301-S-BB-P02, WP-0780-A-0400-P-XX-P02; received 9 November 2022

WP-0780-A0001-P-XX, WP-0780-A0002-P-XX, WP-0780-A0010-P-00, WP-0780-A0020-E-XX, WP-0780-A0021-E-XX, WP-0780-A0030-S-AA; received 13 April 2022

### **U0080733 NPPF Refusal paras 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](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/pre-application_for_developers).

END OF SCHEDULE OF REASONS AND INFORMATIVES FOR APPLICATION  
22/1225/FUL

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# **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](http://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](http://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](http://www.planninginspectorate.gov.uk)

Email [enquiries@pins.gsi.gov.uk](mailto: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](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/planning)

Email [planningappeals@richmond.gov.uk](mailto: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