PLANNING APPLICATION NUMBER:P09/0306

Type of approval sought		Full Planning Permission	
Ward		ST JAMESS	
Applicant		Mr & Mrs A. Walton	
Location:	THE FLOWER GIRL, 100, WOLVERHAMPTON STREET, DUDLEY, WEST MIDLANDS, DY1 3AP		
Proposal	ERECTION OF SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION		
Recommendation Summary:	APPROVE SU	JBJECT TO A 106 AGREEMENT	

SITE AND SURROUNDINGS

The application premises consist of a 1960s block of shops with flats over. The site is set back from the footway with a small forecourt. Above the shops appear to be a couple of flats. The site adjoins an exhaust and tyre centre to the south with a car park to the east (rear).

PROPOSAL

The planning application consists of a single storey lean to extension on the rear of the shop to provide a kitchen area. The floor space of the extension would be approximately 12m². The extension would be constructed of brick with tile to the roof.

HISTORY

APPLICATION	PROPOSAL	DECISION	DATE
No.			
DY/65/475	Retail Shop On Ground Floor And	Granted	03/08/65
	One Bedroom Flat On 1st And 2nd		
	Floors.		
CC/76/286	Change Of Use To Cafe.	Refused	24/05/76

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

3 No representations received

OTHER CONSULTATION

4 None

RELEVANT PLANNING POLICY

Unitary Development Plan

DD1 Urban Design

DD3 Design of Retail Development

DD6 Access and Transport Infrastructure

DD7 Planning Obligations

CR1 Hierarchy of Town Centres

CR9 Edge of Centre and Out of Town Development

Supplementary Planning Guidance/Documents

Parking Standards and Travel Plans Supplementary Planning Document
Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document

ASSESSMENT

- 5 The main issues are
 - Principle
 - Design
 - Neighbour Amenity
 - Access and Parking
 - Planning Obligations

Principle/Policy

The site is outside of the town centre boundary as defined by the adopted Unitary Development Plan. However, the development is considered to be acceptable from

a planning policy (Planning Policy Statement 6 – Town Centres and Retail Development) point of view as the proposed development is at 12m² well under the 200m² threshold for the applicant to submit a retail impact assessment or a sequential test.

<u>Design</u>

The design of the extension is plain and simple and as such is considered to be acceptable in context of the 1960s building on which it is located.. Public views of the extension would be limited as it is screened by the main building and other buildings from Wolverhampton Street. There would some views from St James's Road near to the church, however, these would be distant and part mitigated by existing planting.

Neighbour Amenity

- The proposed development would not have a harmful impact on neighbour amenity, as the single storey nature would not materially affect the flat above by way of light or overbearing impact.
- The extension would be approximately 45m from the nearest houses on St James's Road, including an intermediate car park, and again is not considered to pose any harm to neighbour amenity.

Access and parking

Due to the small scale nature of the extension, the proposed development would not lead to additional on site parking.

Loss of Planting

There is an area of planting to the rear of the existing building. This would have to be partly removed to accommodate the extension. However, the planting is mostly immature scrub and therefore its removal cannot be reasonably resisted.

Planning Obligations

- The proposed development has a requirement to provide planning obligations to mitigate against the consequential planning loss to the existing community. Should permission be granted a S106 Agreement would be required in respect of the following contributions.
 - Transport Infrastructure Improvements £154.29
 - Management and Monitoring Charge £250.00
 - Total Offsite Contribution equates to £404.29
- 13 Contributions are not required towards public realm, as the proposed floor space is well below the 100m² threshold as set out in the adopted Supplementary Planning Document.

CONCLUSION

The proposed development is acceptable in principle, causes no harm to neighbour amenity and is of acceptable design. Consideration has been given to policies DD1 Urban Design DD3 Design of Retail Development DD6 Access and Transport Infrastructure DD7 Planning Obligations CR1 Hierarchy of Town Centres and CR9 Edge of Centre and Out of Town Development of the Dudley Unitary Development Plan.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the application be approved subject to:

- a) The development shall not be commenced until a scheme for the submission and approval of a planning obligation to guarantee the provision of a contribution to transport infrastructure and a Management and Monitoring charge totalling £404.29 has been submitted to and agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.
- b) The Scheme shall include the method, timing and arrangements including a means to guarantee a financial payment, increased through index linking from the first April each subsequent year, in accordance with the Council's planning obligations policies.
- c) The following conditions, with delegated powers to the Director of the Urban Environment to make amendments to these as necessary

Reason for approval

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The decision to grant planning permission has been taken with regard to the policies and proposals in the adopted Dudley UDP (2005) and to all other relevant material considerations.

The above is intended as a summary of the reasons for the grant of planning permission. For further detail on the decision please see the application report.

The development hereby permitted shall be built in accordance with the approved plans numbered AW 3023/09 unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Conditions and/or reasons:

- 1. The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.
- 2. Development shall not commence until an arrangement for the provision of transport infrastructure improvements has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall include the method, timing and arrangements to comply with the Council's policies for the provision of the infrastructure required in connection with the proposed development.
- 3. No part of the development hereby permitted shall be commenced until a schedule of all materials to be used on the roof of the building has been submitted to and approved in writing by the District Planning Authority and thereafter the development shall only be constructed in accordance with these details.
- 4. The facing brick to the development hereby approved shall match the facing brickwork of the existing building.

