

**WANDSWORTH ACCESS ASSOCIATION
PLANNING SUB-GROUP**

Minutes of meeting held on 20th March 2009

Present:

Mr M Ellacott – WAA Chair (Access Auditor Consultant)

Mr J South – WAA Officer for the Deaf

Mrs J Ellacott – WAA Secretary

Mrs S Instrall – Wandsworth Borough Council (minute taker)

Apologies received from Mrs J Ryder – WAA Membership Secretary.

	Comments
1.	92 Bedford Hill SW12 – 2008/3123 Retention of wooden access ramp to front entrance of shop. Decided.
2.	Lyndon Lodge, 61 Princes Way SW19 – 2009/0030 Demolition of existing shed. Erection of two-storey building to provide movement resource centre including associated entrance and ancillary facilities/ office accommodation. Decided.
3.	Garden Tennis Club, 343 Wimbledon Park Road SW19 – 2009/0085 Re-establishment of former tennis court currently referred to as Court 4, including resurfacing with synthetic grass. Decided.
4.	Springfield University, 61 Glenburnie Road SW17 – 2009/0076 Installation of internal vertical access platform lift to provide access for disabled persons to first floor within entrance lobby. Decided.

5.	<p>Builders Yard, Magdalen Road SW18 – 2009-0169 Details of archaeological investigations pursuant to condition 9 of of appeal decision APP/H5960/A/08/2079438 (ref. 2008/1487) dated 27.10.08 for erection of a five storey building (top floor within roof) to provide a shop unit at ground floor and 38 flats (including 10 affordable units) above with basement and ground floor car parking, and replacement public toilet.</p> <p>Decided.</p>
6	<p>Tileman House, 131-133 Upper Richmond Road SW15 – 2008/5428 Demolition of existing buildings on site and erection of building of between eight and fifteen storeys to provide 94 flats (24 affordable), roof terraces and balconies together with 807sq.m. ground floor commercial floorspace (flexible use for A1 (shops)/A2 (financial and professional services)/A3 (cafe/restaurant use)/A4 (drinking establishments) or D1 (non-residential institutions); 1600sq.m. office floorspace (Class B1); basement car park of 74 spaces (plus 2 at surface level for car club). Amended plans received, alterations including reduction in height of rear (south) block to 10 storeys, reduction in 10 sq.m. of commercial floorspace.</p> <p>Would suggest installation of a flat phone with a loop system built into the wall in case of emergency and if the lift breaks down. Evacuation chairs provided on all mezzanine levels. In the refuse area to have two bins designated for people with disability. At each safety area to have an alarm system closest to that point which is connected to the main lobby area indicated when someone needs rescue, preferably 2-way.</p> <p>Disabled toilets to be colour co-ordinated – rails and seats to be blue especially if the tiling is white as well as toilet roll holders. Pull cords with light to enable the deaf to see that the cord has been pulled. Anti-slip flooring to be provided to the staircases as well as by the lifts and shaft.</p> <p>Corridors up and down should be 2-toned. Hallways down stairwells provided with an energy efficient dimmer switch to brighten up especially for people with epilepsy. By the lifts outside the doors, a handrail to provided for ambient users. Visitors cycle spaces – bay to provided for disability scooter.</p>

	<p>Within the dedicated flats for the disabled, electric switches and emergency switches to be located at wheelchair height and wiring (fuse boxes etc) at height for disability in a secured cupboard.</p> <p>In the walking area to the ramp to the car park a rail to be provided at wheelchair height or a twin-rail (1 for ambient and 1 for wheelchair). Disabled doorways to be 1000mm with vision panels on doors. Door entry system to be at wheelchair height. Glazier markings in office areas.</p>
7.	<p>147-151 Balham High Road SW12 – 2009/0251 Re-roofing of walkway (to be incorporated into existing store); construction of new rear entrance lobby leading to Bedford Hill.</p> <p>Toilets to be colour co-ordinated with blue rails and blue seats, pull cord to be provided with light for the deaf, anti-slip surface on entry and exit, glazier markings on doors and new entrance doors.</p> <p>Would suggest a radar key for the disabled toilet to ensure that there is no vandalism of the toilets with keys to be held at customer services. WAA advise that these keys are available from a company called RADAR.</p>
8.	<p>Burntwood School, Burntwood Lane SW17 – 2008/4790 Demolition of single-storey building and replacement three-storey building (fronting Burntwood Lane), demolition of two-storey building and replacement two-storey building (fronting Aboyne Road), together with refurbishments and recladding of existing buildings, demolition of single-storey building to east of site. New main entrance to east along Burntwood Lane. Car parking to east of site. (Outline application as part of the Building Schools for the Future project).</p> <p>Decided.</p>
9.	<p>87 St Johns Road SW11 – 2009/0117 New shopfront, two additional floors , to form 5 flats including roof terraces.</p> <p>Withdrawn.</p>

10.	<p>Southfields Community College – 2008/5592 Demolition of building behind a retained facade. Erection of four-storey building to provide ground floor retail unit with six flats above.</p> <p>Decided.</p>
11.	<p>Queenstown Road Railway Station SW8 – 2009/0172 Installation of disabled access ramp to front entrance, and various internal alterations to facilitate the creation of a cafe within the ticket office (LBC).</p> <p>Surface to the ramp area/lift shaft should be at flat level and newly tarmaced. Loop system to be provided in the lift shaft to be electronic and at wheelchair height with preferably a mirror provided which is not glass but shiny metal and anti-vandal proof. Better lighting to be provided around lift shaft and the ramp area should be well lit. Suggest that CCTV be installed near lift shaft and around the area. Anti-slip surface be provided on ramp with a twin rail going up either side with a grip surface at wheelchair height and at ambient height. Anti slip surface within the lift with the buttons inside and outside at wheelchair height.</p> <p>Signs to be installed indicating that there is a lift at the station at the top and bottom of the platform as well as a ‘help’ button be provided on the platform itself.</p>
12.	<p>Southfields Underground Station SW18 – 2009/0274 Details of materials pursuant to condition 1 of prior approval (ref.2008/2734) for alterations including new brick facade, and station entrance on Wimbledon Park Road and the provision of a new passenger lift.</p> <p>Decided.</p>
13.	<p>61 Longstaff Road SW18 – 2009/0281 Alterations including erection of single-storey rear extension, front and rear entrance ramps and new front gate and fence panel.</p> <p>Anti-slip surface to be provided to ramp.</p>

14.	<p>Balham Underground Station SW12 – 2009/0305 General internal and external refurbishment works to walls, floors and ceiling finishes. Cleaning and repairs entrance building, roof, windows, glass and canopy. Installation of passenger help points and signs.</p> <p>Passenger help point to be at wheelchair height with a hearing loop. Flooring going up to the station to be even. Station control room should be wheelchair accessible with a loop system.</p> <p>Suggest that all trip hazards be removed with signage flat against the wall. Anti slip surface be provided to stairwells. Smooth and anti-slip surfaces to the ramp.</p> <p>WAA would like to see a lift installed at the station as soon as possible.</p>
15.	<p>20 Ritherdon Road SW12 – 2008/5612 Change of use from estate agent to beauty salon; installation of decking and planters to forecourt; disabled access to front of shop and installation of air conditioning units to rear.</p> <p>Anti-slip surface to be provided to ramp with a rail to assist the person pushing a wheelchair.</p> <p>WAA would state that decking is unsuitable as it is slippery for wheelchairs especially in the snow unless an anti-slip surface is provided. Rail to be provided on decking with a button assistance point near the main door.</p> <p>Within the toilets the rails and seats should be blue with an emergency light pull cord in and outside in the event of someone being trapped inside and needs help. Surface should be anti-slip and the main door wide enough to take a wheelchair – 1000mm.</p>
16.	<p>Tooting Broadway Underground Station SW17 – 2009/0307 General internal and external refurbishment works to walls, floors and ceiling finishes. Cleaning and repairs entrance building, roof, windows, glass and canopy. Installation of passenger help points and signs.</p> <p>Passenger help point with hearing loop should be at wheelchair height. Control room should be adapted for wheelchair accessibility. Within the emergency area there should be a base area for people with a</p>

	<p>disability. Flooring should be anti-slip including the canopy area. Fire alarm should have a flashing light for the deaf. Emergency button on escalators to have light to indicate that button has been pushed.</p> <p>A sign should be erected to indicate that the station is unsuitable for wheelchair use and to ask for assistance.</p>
17.	<p>2-154 Whitlock Drive SW19 – 2008/5612 Conversion of redundant playgroup facilities into 3-bedroom flat, including new double glazed windows, entrance door and external ramp.</p> <p>Noticed that the inside cabinet within the door lessens turning circle and WAA would suggest that the service cupboard is not put just inside the entrance but located in a place with is accessible for wheelchair use. Electric meters to be fitted outside and not inside the building and at wheelchair height especially if person is using a card meter.</p> <p>Suggest that a shower area be built with a level access shower and ventilation system to take away dampness. Colour contrast fittings if using white tiling.</p> <p>Anti-slip surface to ramp outside. Door locks at wheelchair height at main door. Sockets, letter box, kitchen units also at wheelchair height.</p>
18.	<p>87 St Johns Road SW11 – 2009/0322 Alterations including new shopfront with seperate residential access; conversion of upper floors into 2 one bedroom flats including rear roof terraces.</p> <p>No Design and Access Statement provided.</p> <p>Recommend that main doors are 1000mm wide with glazier markers.</p>
19.	<p>Queenstown Road Railway Station SW8 – 2009/0458 Details of flooring materials in part compliance with Condition 3 of Listed Building Consent granted on the 8th January 2009 (ref:2008/4344) for internal alterations to Station including provision of passenger entry/exit barriers, relocation and installation of control equipment and ticket machines, replacement CCTV cameras and new disabled/staff toilet; new lighting and new doors to disused stairs and platform.</p> <p>Decided.</p>

20.	<p>Roehampton Hospital, Priory Lane SW15 – 2009/0304 Provision of playground area in association with adjacent day school.</p> <p>Within the play area WAA request to consider a disabled swing for children in wheelchairs. Soft ground to be provided under swings.</p>
21.	<p>1-20 Enterprise Way SW18 – 2009/0446 Demolition of existing buildings and erection of 7 buildings ranging in height between 6 and 18 storeys comprising 418 flats and 500m2 of commercial floorspace.</p> <p>Decided.</p>
22.	<p>Block 43-48 Jean House, Tooting Grove SW17 – 2009/0398 Construction of paved access ramp with steel hand rails and new steps to communal front entrance to block of residential flats.</p> <p>On the opposite side of the ramp there should be a rail at ambient height – 900mm. Surface stone work to be anti-slip but not as harsh as tactile with corduroy markings on paving slabs at top and bottom of ramp with corduroy markings on each step as well as anti-slip surface on top and bottom of steps.</p>
23.	<p>St Georges Grove SW17 – 2009/0523 Details pursuant to Condition 13 (lighting) of p.p. 2003/5059 dated 27 November 2006 for the erection of 310 residential key-worker and shared equity units in four & five-storey blocks, together with provision of a day nursery, shop and laundry facilities and erection 140 flats for private sale.</p> <p>Details application. Not discussed.</p>
24.	<p>Battersea Park/Albert Bridge Road SW11 – 2009/0509 Erection of a replacement temporary building from 1 July 2009 - 30 June 2011, to replace temporary buildings, to be used for the various purposes and events within the park.</p> <p>No comment.</p>
25.	<p>Bridges Wharf Heliport SW11 – 2009/0527 Details of landscapng, hard surface treatment, boundary treatment, refuse storage and external ventilation equipment pursuant to conditions 1, 2, 5, 6 and 7 of planning permission 2007/5435 dated 30th September 2008 for construction of a 16-</p>

	<p>storey building comprising residential, hotel and associated facilities, business centre, heliport terminal; construction of three-storey heliport building and riverside walk.</p> <p>No Design and Access Statement.</p>
26.	<p>207 Balham High Road SW17 – 2009/0467 & 2009/0486 Internal alterations and installation of a disabled access ramp to rear.</p> <p>Disabled toilet to be colour co-ordinated – blue seat and rail, pull cord with light, emergency light outside, alarms at wheelchair height with flashing light facility for the deaf. There should be an emergency health button in every bedroom linked to the main lobby area and all offices and conference room to classroom to have a loop system, or if not cost effective, to have a portable loop system.</p> <p>Main entrance door handle at wheelchair height. Suggest Stannah lifts on stairwells to allow freedom for disabled person to move around property. Would request a disabled area downstairs and not to put the disabled toilet upstairs. Disabled toilets to be suitable for wheelchair users.</p>
27.	<p>30 Lucien Road SW17 – 2008/5603 Construction of a concrete ramp in front garden and alterations to front porch.</p> <p>No comment.</p>
28.	<p>51-53 Mitcham Road SW17 – 2009/0506 Installation of new shopfront and entrance door.</p> <p>Consider electronic doors, push button or sensory open doors which would have wheelchair assisted button outside when doors are shut in Winter. Suggest that this button is not white, possibly red (in line with the design or the building). On the ramp inside, one side to have rail for people with walking difficulties and to aid security.</p>
29.	<p>Nightingale House, 105 Nightingale Lane SW17 – 2009/0496 & 2009/0498 Demolition of existing Arts and Crafts building; Balint Wing; Synagogue, Birchlands Wing, occupational therapy outbuildings and nurses bungalow. Erection of a two-storey extension (on the western part of the site) to provide a 40-bed specialist dementia care unit and associated facilities, with a replacement Synagogue. Erection of a two-storey building (on the southern</p>

	<p>part of the site) to provide 20 self-contained extra care suites. Associated works including refurbishment of existing concert room and landscaping works, including relocation of parking bays to provide 20 spaces (currently 29).</p> <p>Request to look at this application at the next meeting. Will need to see a Design and Access statement.</p>
30.	<p>Our Lady of Mount Carmel & St Joseph's RC Church, 8a Battersea Park Road SW11 – 2009/0497</p> <p>Details of site treatment, including boundary treatment; external materials; refuse storage; noise insulation, and facilities for people with disabilities, further to conditions 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of planning permission dated 26/06/04 (ref. 2004/1243) for erection of a four storey building to provide 2 retail units and 12 flats, and a two-storey annexe to provide new parish hall and meeting rooms with 6 parking spaces.</p> <p>No comment.</p>
31.	<p>159 Lavender Hill SW11 – 2009/0549</p> <p>Proposed table and chairs on pavement outside restaurant.</p> <p>No Design and Access Statement. Request that proposals do not intrude onto pavement and the area is barriered off and lit up at night. Rails should be flat based with no ridges.</p>