

Regeneration and Economic Development Department

APPLICATION NO: 21/00275/FUL

APPLICANT: Hennessey

WARD AFFECTED: Halewood South

DEVELOPMENT: ERECTION OF TWO STOREY SIDE EXTENSION AND PART TWO STOREY/PART SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION

LOCATION OF SITE: 4 Elwyn Drive, Halewood, L26 0UY

KNOWSLEY LOCAL PLAN ALLOCATION –

Primary Residential Development - Primary Residential Development

RELEVANT POLICIES

Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy (2016):

CS2 - Development Principles

CS19 - Design Quality and Accessibility in New Development

Knowsley Replacement Unitary Development Plan (2006):

H5 - Development within Primarily Residential Areas

H8 - Extensions and Alterations to Residential Properties

TECHNICAL CONSULTATIONS:

Halewood Town Council - No Comments Received

NEIGHBOUR NOTIFICATION:

This application has been publicised by letters sent to 6 neighbours. No representations have been received.

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The Local Planning Authority has acted positively and proactively in determining this application by assessing the proposal against all material considerations, including planning policies and any representations that may have been received and subsequently determining to grant planning permission in accordance with the presumption in favour of sustainable development, as set out within the National Planning Policy Framework.

ISSUES AND ASSESSMENT:

PROPOSAL

The application is for the erection of a two storey side extension and part two storey/part single storey rear extension to the semi-detached property at 4 Elwyn Drive in Halewood. The proposal would provide a new garage/utility room and extended kitchen/dining area at ground floor level and a fourth en-suite bedroom at first floor level.

The first floor element of the proposed two storey side extension would be set back 0.5m from the principal elevation of the property, whilst the ground floor element would sit in line with the principal elevation. The extension would project approximately 2.2m at the side and would measure 7.7m in length. The development would also have a pitched roof which would measure approximately 5.3m in height to the eaves and 7.4m to the ridge.

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The proposed two storey rear extension would extend approximately 3.0m from the rear elevation of the property and would measure 3.1m in width. It would have a pitched roof measuring 5.3m in height to the eaves and 6.3m to the ridge. The two storey extension would step down to single storey as it extends across the rear elevation of the property. The single storey extension would also project 3.0m at the rear and would measure 5.1m in width. The development would have a lean-to roof with a maximum height of 3.5m.

RELEVANT PLANNING HISTORY

None.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

The site is identified as land for primarily residential development and a domestic extension would therefore be acceptable in principle, subject to compliance with local planning policy and guidance. The application complies with policies CS2 and CS19 of the Local Plan Core Strategy (2016) and saved policies H5 and H8 of the UDP (2006), together with the Householder Development SPD (2016).

These policies and guidance require that new development demonstrates a high standard of design, which does not adversely affect the character of the property or street scene; maintains a good standard of amenity for all existing and future occupants; avoiding overlooking and overshadowing, as well as an unacceptable overbearing impact; and that adequate parking and garden space would remain for use by residents of the extended property.

DESIGN

The first floor element of the proposed two storey side extension would be set back from the principal elevation of the property and as this elevation is already staggered, the proposed set back would be sufficient to prevent terracing with the adjacent neighbouring property. The development would also be faced in materials to match the existing property and would be in keeping with the scale and appearance of the property. It would not be detrimental to the character of the street scene and is therefore acceptable with regards to design.

RESIDENTIAL AMENITY

The proposed two storey side extension would sit immediately adjacent to the shared boundary with No. 6 Elwyn Drive. There are no habitable windows on the gable wall of No. 6 which would face towards the extension and the first floor windows proposed on the side elevation of the extension would be obscurely glazed. As such, the proposal would not appear unduly overbearing in relation to No. 6 and would not adversely affect the privacy of occupiers.

The proposed development would extend 3.0m at the rear and would comply with the Householder Development SPD which generally supports two storey extensions rear of up to 3m and single storey rear extensions of up to 4m. Subsequently, the development would not significantly affect the outlook or levels of light to No.'s 2 and 4. It is considered that there are no other properties that would be affected by the proposal given their sufficient distance from development.

HIGHWAYS

The plans show that the existing level of parking at the property is two spaces and that the proposal would retain the existing level of parking. With regard to the Council's parking standards, only one space can currently be accommodated within the curtilage of the property.

The proposal would increase the number of bedrooms at the property from three to four and the Householder Development SPD states that 4+ bedroom properties should provide a maximum of three in-curtilage car parking spaces. The front of the property is entirely hard-surfaced and therefore, there is no additional space that can be created to accommodate another parking space. However, given that the Council's parking requirements are maximum standards, on balance, the existing level of parking is acceptable.

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OTHER ISSUES

None.

CONCLUSION

The proposal would be acceptable in terms of design, residential amenity and highways. The proposal also complies with the relevant Core Strategy, Replacement UDP policies and guidance in the NPPF and is therefore recommended for approval.

RECOMMENDATION:

That planning permission will be granted subject to the following condition(s):-

- 1) The development must be begun not later than the expiration of three years beginning with the date of this permission.

Reason: In order to comply with the requirements of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

- 2) The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the approved plans and documents listed in Schedule 1.

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt.

- 3) The materials to be used on the external surfaces of the extension hereby permitted shall match those of the existing building in type, size, colour and texture.

Reason: In the interests of visual amenity and to comply with Saved Policy H8 of the Knowsley Replacement Unitary Development Plan, adopted in June 2006, Policy CS19 of the Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy, adopted January 2016, and the National Planning Policy Framework.

- 4) The first floor en-suite window, bedroom window and landing window shown on plan '028-004' received 30 May 2021, shall be fitted with obscure glazing and shall be retained as such thereafter.

Reason: In the interests of privacy having regard to Policies CS2 and CS19 of the Knowsley Local Plan Core Strategy, adopted January 2016 and policy H8 of the Knowsley Replacement Unitary Development Plan, adopted in June 2006.

SCHEDULE 1

Date Received	Ref. No	Version	Drawing/Document Title
30/03/2021	028-001	-	LOCATION PLAN
30/03/2021	028-004	-	PROPOSED SITE PLAN AND FLOOR PLANS
30/03/2021	028-005	-	PROPOSED ELEVATIONS

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