

Knowsley Council
Regeneration and Economic Development Directorate.
Delegated Planning Report

<u>APPLICATION NO:</u>	17/00710/NMA	<u>CASE OFFICER:</u>	Mark Quinn
<u>WARD:</u>	Whiston & Cronton	<u>PARISH:</u>	Whiston Town Council

LOCATION: A&E Unit - Whiston Hospital, Dragon Lane, Whiston

PROPOSAL: APPLICATION FOR A NON-MATERIAL AMENDMENT FOLLOWING GRANT OF PLANNING PERMISSION 17/00710/FUL (ERECTION OF SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION TO A & E DEPARTMENT TO FORM NEW RECEPTION/WAITING AREA TOGETHER WITH GP CLINIC) - AMENDMENT SOUGHT FOR REMOVAL OF EXTERNAL WINDOW TO FRONT ELEVATION AND REPLACEMENT WITH A DOOR

Site Description

This application relates to Whiston Hospital, Dragon Lane, Whiston. This amendment relates to the A & E department.

Proposal

In 2018 planning permission was granted for a single storey extension to A & E department (ref 17/00710/FUL) to form new reception/waiting area together with GP clinic. It is now proposed to change a window to the GP clinic to a single leaf door.

Consultations

Whiston Town Council - No Comments Received

Representations

Not Applicable

Planning History

None relevant.

Relevant Policy

Paragraph 11 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) states that planning decisions should apply a presumption in favour of sustainable development. This means approving development proposals that accord with an up-to-date development plan without delay; or where the development plan is absent, silent or out of date planning permission should be granted unless the application of policies in the NPPF that protect areas or assets of particular importance provides a clear reason for refusing the development proposed; or any adverse impacts of doing so would significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits,

when assessed against the policies in the NPPF taken as a whole.

Paragraph 12 of the NPPF clarifies that the presumption in favour of sustainable development does not change the statutory status of the development plan as the starting point for decision making. Where a planning application conflicts with an up-to-date development plan, permission should not normally be granted. Local planning authorities may take decisions that depart from an up-to-date development plan, but only if material considerations in a particular case indicate that the plan should not be followed.

The development plan in Knowsley comprises the Saved Policies of the Replacement Unitary Development Plan, the Core Strategy Local Plan and the Joint Waste Local Plan. The following policies are relevant to the determination of this application.

KNOWSLEY LOCAL PLAN: CORE STRATEGY

CS2 - Development Principles

CS19 - Design Quality and Accessibility in New Development

National Planning Policy Framework

Assessment

The alteration from a window to a single leaf door would result in a minor change to the front elevation of the extension. There would be no adverse impacts on the design or appearance of the building.

The proposed amendment would be in accordance with Local Plan policy CS19 and is considered to be non material.

Conclusion

The amendment is acceptable in terms of design and appearance and is considered to be non- material.

Recommendation

That the non material amendment be granted.

SCHEDULE 1

Date Received	Ref. No	Version	Drawing/Document Title
07/09/2022	PL-A-100-01	-	LOCATION PLAN
11/08/2022	114413-PL-A-250-02	C	PROPOSED PLAN
11/08/2022	114413-EL-A-250-01	C	EXISTING AND PROPOSED ELEVATIONS

Signed Case Officer:

Mark Quinn

**Signed Authorising
Officer:**

Alan Kilroe

Date:

3 October 2022

Informatives

1. The proposed development lies within a coal mining area which may contain unrecorded coal mining related hazards. If any coal mining feature is encountered during development, this should be reported immediately to the Coal Authority on 0345 762 6848.

Further information is also available on the Coal Authority website at:
www.gov.uk/government/organisations/the-coal-authority

