Committee:	PLANNING	
Date of Meeting:	13 January 2010	
Title of Report:	S/2009/1113 Park Haven Trust Liverpool Road South, Maghull (Park Ward)	
Proposal:	Removal of Condition 1 pursuant to planning permission S/2007/0464 approved 09/07/2007 to allow the surgery to remain on the site permanently	
Applicant:	NHS Sefton Community Health Services	

Executive Summary

This applications seeks a permanent consent for he docor's surgery at Parkhaven Trust which was approved on a temporary basis in 2007. The issues concern he principle of the use and highways considerations.

Recommendation(s) Approval

Justification

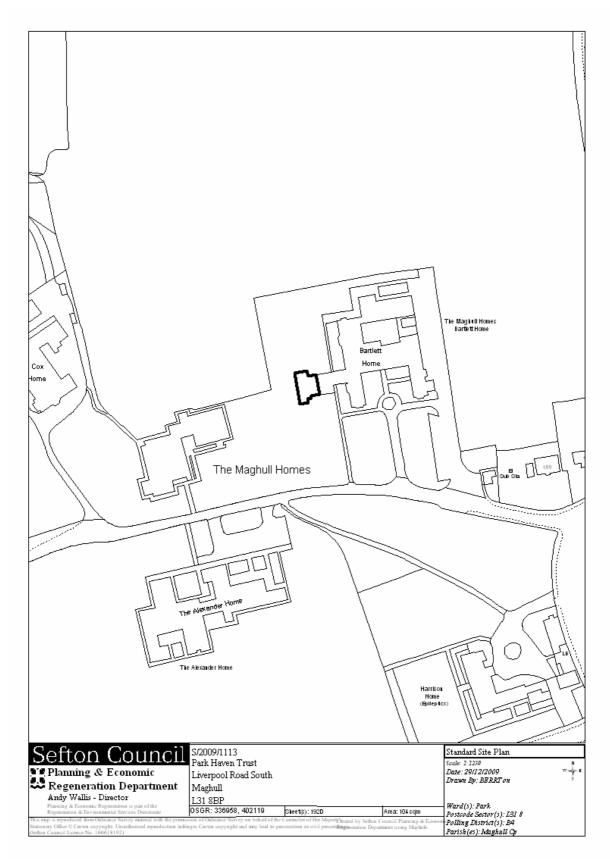
The proposed use would have no adverse impact on the greenspace function of the site and is considered an acceptable use in this location.

Financial Implications

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	2006/ 2007 £	2007/ 2008 £	2008/ 2009 £	2009/ 2010 £
Gross Increase in Capital Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton Capital Resources				
Specific Capital Resources				
REVENUE IMPLICATIONS				
Gross Increase in Revenue Expenditure				
Funded by:				
Sefton funded Resources				
Funded from External Resources				
Does the External Funding have an expiry date? Y/N When?				
How will the service be funded post expiry?				

List of Background Papers relied upon in the preparation of this report

History referred to Policy referred to



S/2009/1113

This application has been called in to committee by Councillor Robertson on behalf of

Councillor Blackburn and ward councillors.

The Site

This application concerns part of the existing Bartlett home within the Parkhaven Trust site at the junction of Sefton Lane and Liverpool Road south

Proposal

Removal of Condition 1 pursuant to planning permission S/2007/0464 approved 09/07/2007 to allow the surgery to remain on the site permanently

History

S/2009/0151 Layout of 6 additional parking bays for use by GP practice -approved 14/04/09

S/2009/0036 conversion of 5 bedrooms as extension of GP surgery Approved 23/02/09

S/2007/0464 Change of use for a temporary period from residential accommodation to a GP surgery -approved 09/07/07

S/2007/0244 11 car parking bays approved 15/05/07

Consultations

Highways Development Control-no objections

Neighbour Representations

Last date for replies: 30/12/09

Policy

The application site is situated in an area allocated as greenspace on the Council's Adopted Unitary Development Plan.

- AD2 Ensuring Choice of Travel
- CS3 Development Principles
- G1 Protection of Urban Greenspace

Comments

Planning permission for temporary reuse of part of an existing building within the Parkhaven Trust site for a doctors surgery period was granted in 2007, expiring on 30/06/2010. Parking spaces for this use were subsequently approved and a small addition to the surgery by conversion of additional rooms was approved in 2009. The surgery was initially required because of the loss of an existing doctors surgery locally and was needed urgently whilst longer term proposals were considered. The surgery has been operating successfully from

the site and the applicant now wishes to retain it permanently.

The surgery is be open 8am -8pm Mon -Fri and 8am -12am Sat .

The issues in this case concern the principle of the permanent use in this location within Greenspace and provision of parking /accessibity

The use of this existing building within the greenspace context of Parkhaven Trust is part of an overall programme of updating and reconfiguring uses on the whole site. Planning permission has been granted for sheltered housing for dementia care elsewhere within the wider site and this will involve demolition of some existing buildings within the site and an overall masterplan to improve the landscape context of Parkhaven Trust and provide more public access. The present application concerns an annexe to Bartlett house. Whilst the future proposals for the rest of this building are still under consideration it is likely that a proposal for redevelopment is likely to be submitted in the near future. This would leave the surgery in situ in the existing retained annexe. The use fits with the overall plan for Parkhaven Trust and is therefore considered appropriate as a permanent use which will have no adverse impact on the greenspace.

Highways Development control raise no objections as the provision of car and cycle parking has previously been dealt with. However, this application has been called in to Committee by Councillor Robertson on behalf of councillor Blackburn and ward councillors who are concerned about pedestrian accessibility across the junction of Sefton Lane and Liverpool Road South. This matter will be looked at and more information will be reported in late representations. However, the Director does not consider that it would be reasonable or proportionate for the applicant to pay for a traffic light controlled pedestrian crossing in this location as a condition of the present application. There is also a difficulty in requesting a highway contribution when no source for the balance of the cost can be identified.

Reasoned Justification

The proposed use would have no adverse impact on the greenspace function of the site and is considered an acceptable use in this location.

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