

Plans Inspected

10/00416/L - Lift at UEA to serve ITCS building

This looks to be a very good and ingenious solution, sensitive to its surroundings.

10/00169/F - Woodhill Rise

Erection of 4 No. new affordable dwellings

A good scheme, spaciouly laid out and eco-friendly.

10/00427/F- Sub store, Barrett Road

Erection of 6 No flats with associated site works (including new access onto Martineau Lane)

The Committee were happy with this scheme although felt it would be a shame to lose the 'rural' character of Martineau Lane. There was some discussion regarding the rake of the roof.

It is important to keep the entrance low key so hedge and lane qualities are maintained.

10/00337/F - Wedgewood Guest House, 42-44 St Stephen's Road

Change of use from hotel and annex (Class C1) to house in multiple occupancy (Sui Generis) comprising thirteen bedrooms and associated works to cycle of refuse storage.

No objection but it is hoped that the blue stained glass panels in the windows will be preserved.

10/00362/F & 363/L - 69 Newmarket Road

Replacement of windows on main house; demolition of existing triple garage and summer house at rear; erection of two-storey studio living accommodation and new double garage (both to be used in association with main house) including car parking and bin storage.

A good-looking scheme but it would possibly have been a better option to incorporate the garage into the studio to retain the garden. This should not be an opportunity for the properties to be sold off separately in the future. It could set a precedent on this special Georgian terrace by separating off the 'mews' and back garden from the front range, and thereby increasing housing density.

10/00410/F - 5 Ampthill Street

Replacement of conservatory to rear and the installation of eight photo voltaic panels on the roof of the existing dwelling.

No objections if these are not too obvious and on the back of the property.

10/00487/F - 9 Plumstead Road East

First floor extension at side over existing and front extension to garage/store

There is a planned two metre projection of the store (garage) to the front of the house which unbalances the symmetry of the building with its neighbour.

09/01326/F - 32 St Faith's Lane

Conversion of ground floor from veterinary surgery (Class D1) to part of a private residence (Class C3) in combination with first floor flat plus conversion of ground floor waiting room to garage.

Members were pleased that the property was converting back into a house but the garage doors should be more appropriate to the period of the property (as in the photograph).

10/00485/F - St John's House, 33 King Street

Removal of render and replacement with architectural cladding panels to Rose Lane and King Street elevations.

No objection if the recladding saves the building for a new tenant.

10/00222/F - 88 Catton Grove Road

Creation of 2 No 1 bedroom flats, formation of 1 No large retail shop from 2 No smaller retail shops and first floor extension for additional office, storage and staff amenity facilities and associated external works.

An odd development. The shop fronts are not improved and it is a very piece-meal plan.

10/00339/F - The Canary, 107 Watling Road

Demolition of existing public house and erection of 24 dwellings consisting of 10 No. three bed houses, 10 No. two bed houses and 4 No two bed apartments with associated parking and landscaping.

Members understood that a new landlady had revived the fortunes of this public house (news report in EEN last week) and are concerned that if it is demolished a community facility will be lost and there will be no focal point for the community. It is certainly a large site.

10/00611/F - 498 Earlham Road

Erection of two storey extension to the side of the dwelling and the erection of a single storey extension to the rear of the dwelling.

MA read out a letter received from the neighbour of this property objecting to it being turned into a "student hostel" which is what has happened to the other half of this semi-detached property. Although the extension will even up the façade it is against the Society's principles to over develop sites. There will also be a problem with car parking, with a probable total of 14 student rooms between the two properties. Earlham Road is steadily losing its pleasant Art Deco facades and therefore its special character thanks to a lack of Conservation policy.

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