

Plans Inspected

10/01732/F – 1-5 & 6 Sovereign Way

Conversion from office to Healthcare Centre on first floor, extension of vertical core to form passenger lift and lobby on south elevation including new glazed entrance canopy, related external alterations including new windows and doors and renewal of existing roof and fascia.

The interior design we find is cramped and does not pay due regard to patients' privacy, in that the reception area is overlooked and overheard. However, we have no concerns re exterior.

10/01854 - 4 Nelson Street

Conversion of ground floor from shop (Class A1) to flat (one bedroom) including alterations to front and rear elevations.

It is good that this building is being used but more attention should be paid to the apportionment of the windows and there are concerns regarding car parking.

10/01737/F – Thorpe House, 79 Thorpe Road

Partial redevelopment of car park and demolition of rear extension to provide residential development comprising 12 No flats (2 No one bedroom and 10 number two bedrooms) with associated residential car parking, cycle and refuse stores and amenity area and retaining a reduced level of car parking for employment use.

This is uninspiring, merely following the pattern of previous development nearby. The opportunity to put in an interesting contemporary design on a good site has been missed.

10/01945/F – 28th Norwich Road Scout Group, Gloucester Street

Residential redevelopment of site to remove scout hut and provide 3 No three bedroom dwellings and 3 on-site parking places.

If the local vernacular is being reproduced here, surely the fenestration pattern on the ground floor should match neighbouring windows? The parking access seems somewhat awkward.

10/01873/F – Rear of 154-156A Newmarket Road

New house, access and parking (amendment to design and siting of previous scheme allowed at appeal)

This appears to be an interesting scheme, making good use of the site and surrounding street scene.

10/01156/F – Beckham Place, Edward Street

Demolition of existing industrial units and the erection of 9 No three bed houses and 5 No four bed houses, together with 245sqm of office space (Class B1)

We applaud this excellent application.

10/01969/F – Land and Buildings rear of 2 Durham Street

Demolition of out-buildings and the erection of 1 No two storey two bedroom town house.

This scheme has been seen previously - report in Minutes Sept 2008. We said then that it was ***‘a great shame to demolish one of Norwich’s interesting little brick and tile stable/workshops. The proposed newbuild could be far more in context with its neighbours if it were built on the site of the present very basic flat-roofed garages to the left.’*** This is still our opinion, and we think the City Planners should be conserving and protecting such buildings.

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