

Montpelier Conservation Group

Minutes of the General Meeting

21 December 2009

1) Minutes of the 16 November General Meeting

The minutes had been circulated by email and were accepted.

2) Matters arising

None

3) Letters sent or received by the Group

MCG = Montpelier Conservation Group, BCC = Bristol City Council

Colston Girls School – 09/01456/FB and 09/01457/LC

17.11.2009. BCC to MCG. Letter stating application had been withdrawn.

25.11.2009 – BCC to MCG. Notification of publication of Core Strategy document of Bristol Development Framework.

170-172 Cheltenham Road – 09/03842/F

24.11.2009 – MCG to BCC. Letter to comment on application and raise objections.

152 Cheltenham Road – 09/02806/F and 09/02905/LA

28.11.2009 – MCG to BCC. Letter to object to applications.

30.11.2009 – BCC to MCG. 2 letters to acknowledge objections.

07.12.2009 – BCC to MCG. 2 letters to notify refusals.

Corner of Dean Street and Bishop Street, St Pauls – A/09/2116008/NWF

24.11.2009 – BCC to MCG. Notification of appeal.

23-25 Picton Street – 09/03537/F and 09/03538/LA

09.12.2009 – MCG to BCC. Letter to object to application.

15.12.2009 – BCC to MCG. Letter to acknowledge objections.

16.12.2009 – BCC to MCG. Email indicating revisions to planning applications, including shaped wooden gates. MCG to respond.

117 Ashley Road – 09/03906/LA and 09/03907/F

09.12.2009 – MCG to BCC. Letter to object to application.

4) Planning Applications/Planning Decisions (not detailed above)

Brunswick Square Cemetery, Brunswick Square, St Pauls – 09/04515/FB and 09/04531/LA – 09.12.2009 –

Landscape works to improve existing public park. Repair of existing rubble stone wall, modification to height of existing rubble stone wall, excavations to re-expose base of 2 no. listed memorials and restoration of railings surrounding these memorials. No comment required.

20 Fairfield Road – 09/04857/LA – 16.12.2009 – Removal of sections of internal walls to kitchen, installing new floor access hatch over existing basement staircase, installing new door into existing opening into utility room, alterations to ground floor airing cupboard doors, removal of modern steps below staircase at ground floor level and installation of new section of timber flooring to form cloakroom. No comment required.

York House, Bond Street – 09/04210/F – 21.11.2009 – Conversion of existing vacant office block into 182-bedroom hotel. Conversion of two ground floor, retail units (one vacant and one occupied) into A3 use, separate from hotel operation. No comment required.

31-45 Lower Ashley Road – 09/04570/R – 22.11.2009 – New planning permission for extant planning permission (06/04740/P). Outline application for the erection of combined three/four storey building accommodating 24 flats with basement car/cycle parking accessed off Conduit Road and 420 square metres of office floorspace (Use Class B1) with ground floor cycle parking accessed off Gordon Road. No comment required.

51 Ashley Road – 09/04891/VD – 05.12.2009 – Dismantle to ground level one dead Maple. No comment required.

10 Sussex Place – 09/04865/VC – 05.12.2009 – Fell and remove one Buddleia. No comment required.

12 Sussex Place – 09/04864/VC – 05.12.2009 – Fell one Eucalyptus tree. No comment required.

105 Ashley Road – 09/04863/VC – 05.12.2009 – Fell one Elder tree, one Acer tree and reduce back the lateral branches by 20% of an Oak tree. Fell Acer, Elder and Buddleia saplings. No comment required.

Outside of 4 Ashley Road – 09/05001/Y – 12.12.2009 – Installation of broadband fibre cabinet on pavement outside the property. Letter to suggest investigating repositioning.

Colston Girls School – 09/05104/VP – 19.12.2009 – Pollard 8 hybrid Black Poplar trees as outlined in submitted arboricultural report. Trees protected by Tree Preservation Order number 124. Letter to complain about lack of planning application and supporting documents on BCC website.

5) Update on other meetings

CAP – 17.11.2009. Presentation of BCC draft graffiti policy.

CAP – 15.12.2009. Discussion on BCC draft graffiti policy (general consensus that the current policy should remain in force and that public consultation by email should not be adopted).

Colston Girls – 11.12.2009. Meeting with SKANSKA, architects and planning consultant to view revised plans prior to application submission early January. No public consultation or formal SCI planned.

6) AOB

Concerns expressed over the possible instability of stone walls in the area caused by owners and occupiers allowing plant growth on them. Leaflet to be drafted.

7) Date of next meeting

General Meeting 18 January 2010.