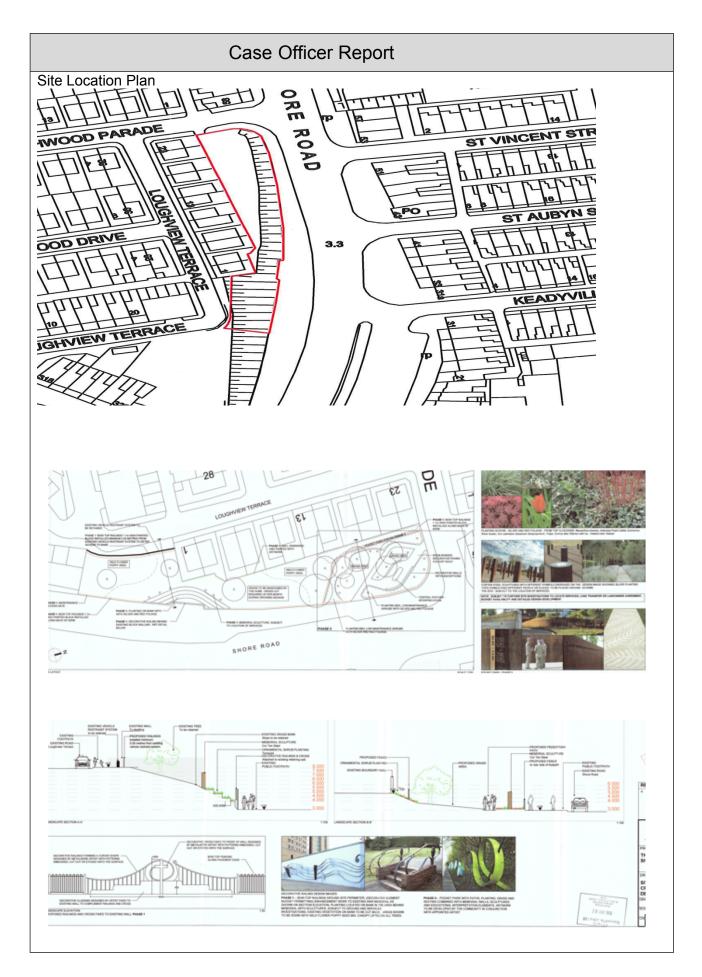
Development Management Officer Report Committee Application

Summary			
Committee Meeting Date: 14 February 2017			
Application ID: LA04/2016/1351/F			
Proposal: Proposed open space development, providing a design green space including new planting and interpretative artwork accessible in part by pedestrian surfaces.	Location: Land between 14 Shore Road and No's 1-23 Loughview Terrace Belfast Bt15 3PY		
Referral Route: Belfast City Council Interest			
Recommendation:	Approval		
Applicant Name and Address: The Hubb Community Resource Centre Jim Crothers 30 St Aubyn Street Belfast BT15 3QF	Agent Name and Address: Groundwork NI 63-75 Duncairn Gardens Belfast BT15 2GB		
Executive Summary:			
The application seeks permission for proposed development of open space, providing a designed green space including new planting and interpretative artwork accessible in part by pedestrian surfaces.			
Area Plan The site is not zoned for any specific use in the Belfast Metropolitan Area Plan 2015 (BMAP).			
 The main issues to be considered are: The effect of the proposal upon the character and appearance of the area. Impact on the living conditions on the neighbouring properties. 			
The proposal conforms to the area plan zoning and planning policy. The proposed open space development is considered acceptable and unlikely to adversely impact on the character of the area.			
Consultees offered no objections and no representations were received regarding the proposal.			
It is recommended that the application is approved subject to conditions as set out in the report.			



1.0	Description of Proposed Development	
	The application seeks permission for proposed development of open space, providing a designed green space including new planting and interpretative artwork accessible in part by pedestrian surfaces.	
2.0	Description of Site The site is located on land between 14 Shore Road and 1-23 Loughview Terrace, Belfast. The land is an existing area of open space with a small memorial area. The site is not zoned for any specific use in the Belfast Metropolitan Area Plan 2015 (BMAP).	
Planning Assessment of Policy and other Material Considerations		
3.0 3.1	Site History There is no planning history on the site Adjacent to the site - Z/2010/1074/F Lands at corner of Shore Road and Skegoneill Avenue on Loughview Terrace- Proposed Housing Association development of 4no apartments and 5no townhouses with associated parking and open space- Permission Granted 02/03/2011	
4.0	Policy Framework	
4.1	Belfast Metropolitan Area Plan 2015	
4.2	Strategic Planning Policy Statement for Northern Ireland Planning policy statement 8- Open Space, Sport and Outdoor	
5.0	Statutory Consultees None	
6.0	Non-Statutory Consultees Transport NI – No objection Environmental Health- No Objection	
7.0	Representations None	
8.0	Other Material Considerations None	
9.0	Assessment	
9.1	 The key issues in the assessment of the proposed development include: The effect of the proposal upon the character and appearance of the area. On the living conditions on the neighbouring properties. 	
	The application seeks permission for proposed open space development, providing a design green space including new planting and interpretative artwork accessible in part by pedestrian surfaces.	
9.2	Strategic Planning Policy Statement for Northern Ireland The development is in keeping with the above policy in that it will not cause demonstrable harm to interests of acknowledge importance. It is compatible with its surroundings and does not unacceptably affect the existing land use.	

9.3	Principle of Development		
	The proposal comprises the development of an existing area of open space. The		
	proposals will not compromise the existing use of the land or result in the loss of existing		
	open space and therefore the principle of the development is considered acceptable.		
9.4	Design		
0.7	The proposal is to be located on existing open space located between Shore Road and		
	Loughview Terrace. The existing land has become overgrown and untidy. The proposal		
	includes a planting scheme throughout the site including flowers and grassed areas.		
	Bow top railings 1.1m in height are proposed around the site perimeter, memorial		
	sculptures, memorial walls with inscriptions and art work including a central feature are		
	also proposed. Materials to be used include coreten steel, brick and patterned concrete		
	and resin bonded decorative paving. An existing tree on the site is to be retrained along		
	with existing vehicle restraint system along part of the northern boundary.		
0.5	Impact on the Character of the Area/Amerity		
9.5	Impact on the Character of the Area/Amenity		
	The proposal will contribute positively to the character of the area, enhance the quality of		
	the environment and provide a valuable asset for the community. The proposal will have		
	no negative impact on the surrounding area or the amenity of adjoining residents and will		
	make a significant environmental improvement to an existing open space.		
0.0	Concultations		
9.6	Consultations		
	Transport NI was consulted and offered no objection to the proposal.		
	Environmental Health was consulted and offered no objection to the proposal.		
9.7	Publicity		
9.7	The application has been neighbour notified and advertised in the local press and no		
	representations have been received.		
10.0	Summary of Recommendation:		
10.0	Having regard to the policy context the proposal is considered acceptable and planning		
10.1	permission is recommended subject to conditions.		
11.0	Conditions		
11.1	As required by Section 61 of the Planning Act (Northern Ireland) 2011, the development		
	hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of 5 years from the date of this		
	permission.		
	Reason: Time Limit.		
12.0	Notification to Department (if relevant) N/A		
13.0	Representations from elected members:		
	None		
Neiahb	Neighbour Notification Checked Yes		

ANNEX		
Date Valid	21st June 2016	
Date First Advertised	15th July 2016	
Date Last Advertised		
The Owner/Occupier, Apartment 2,1A St. Vin The Owner/Occupier, Flat A,49 Shore Road, The Owner/Occupier, Skegoneill Post Office, 3PG,	Skegoneill, Belfast, Antrim, BT15 3QL, kegoneill, Belfast, Antrim, BT15 3QH, Skegoneill, Belfast, Antrim, BT15 3QL, Skegoneill, Belfast, Antrim, BT15 3QL, neill, Belfast, Antrim, BT15 3PG, neill, Belfast, Antrim, BT15 3PL, neill, Belfast, Antrim, BT15 3QL, Skegoneill, Belfast, Antrim, BT15 3QL, neent Street, Skegoneill, Belfast, Antrim, BT15 3QL, neent Street, Skegoneill, Belfast, Antrim, BT15 3QG,	
Date of Last Neighbour Notification	7th July 2016	
Date of EIA Determination	N/A	

ES Requested	No

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Proposal: Proposed Housing Association development of 4no apartments and 5no townhouses with associated parking and open space.

Address: Lands at corner of Shore Road and Skegoneill Avenue on Loughview Terrace, Belfast, Decision:

Decision Date: 02.03.2011

Summary of Consultee Responses

Transport NI – No objection Environmental Health- No Objection

Drawing Numbers and Title

Drawing No. 01 Type: Site Location

Drawing No. 02a Type: Proposed plans

Notification to Department (if relevant)

Date of Notification to Department: Response of Department: