# Development Management Officer Report Committee Application

Summary		
Committee Meeting Date: 9 April 2019		
Application ID: LA04/2019/0436/F		
Proposal: Single storey side extension.	Location: 14 Brooke Park Belfast. BT10 0NG.	
Referral Route: Application by Elected Member		
Recommendation:	APPROVAL	
Applicant Name and Address: Mr & Mrs Garrett 14 Brooke Park Belfast BT10 0NG	Agent Name and Address: Mullan Architects Innovation Factory 385 Springfield Road Belfast BT12 7DG	

# **Executive Summary:**

Planning permission is sought for a single storey side extension.

The site is located at 14 Brooke Park Belfast and is located within a residential area characterised by two storey terraced and semi-detached dwellings.

No representations have been received in relation to the application.

The key issues to be considered are:

- The impact on the character and appearance of the area
- Impact on amenity

The proposed side extension adjoins an end of terrace dwelling therefore there is no impact on amenity of neighbours; there are a number of side extensions on the within the residential area therefore the proposal is in keeping with the character of the area.

## Recommendation.

Having regard to the policy context and other material considerations, the proposal is considered acceptable and planning permission is recommended subject to conditions.

# **Case Officer Report**

#### **Site Location Plan**



# Characteristics of the Site and Area

# 1.0 Description of Proposed Development

The proposal is for a single storey side extension. The extension is 3.9m wide, 7.4m deep and set approximately 0.3m behind the front building line. A window is proposed on the front elevation, with 2 smaller windows to the rear. The extension is to be finished in materials to match the existing dwelling.

## 2.0 Description of Site

The site is located at 14 Brooke Park, Belfast. The site is a two storey end terraced dwelling within a substantial plot with amenity space to front, side and rear. An area of hard standing is located forward of the building line with a 2m high close boarded fence enclosing an area of private amenity space to side and rear. The extension will be located in the area of garden to the side of the dwelling between the existing gable wall and boundary fence.

Plann	Planning Assessment of Policy and other Material Considerations		
3.0	Site History Site History  None Surrounding Site History  Z/2011/1320F- Permission granted for a rear extension and alterations to front of dwelling at 3 Brooke Park.		
4.0	Policy Framework		
4.1	Belfast Urban Area Plan 2001 (BUAP)		
4.2	(Draft) Belfast Metropolitan Area Plan 2015		
	Following the recent Court of Appeal decision on BMAP, the extant development plan is now the BUAP. However, given the stage at which the Draft BMAP had reached preadoption through a period of independent examination, the policies within the Draft BMAP still carry weight and are a material consideration in the determination of planning applications. The weight to be afforded is a matter of judgement for the decision maker.		
4.3	Strategic Planning Policy Statement for Northern Ireland (SPPS)		
4.4	Addendum to Planning Policy Statement 7- Residential Extensions and Alterations		
5.0	4.4.1 Policy EXT 1 (a, b, c, d)  Statutory Consultees Responses		
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5.1	None		
6.0	Non Statutory Consultees Responses		
6.1	None		
7.0	Representations		
7.1	The application has been neighbour notified and advertised in the local press. No comments have been received.		
8.0	Other Material Considerations		
8.1	None		
9.0	Assessment		
9.1	The site is located within the settlement development limit for Belfast as designated by the Belfast Metropolitan Plan 2015. The site is located within a residential area characterised by two storey terraced and two storey semi-detached dwellings of simila design and finishes.		
9.2	Under the SPPS, the guiding principle for planning authorities in determining planning applications is that sustainable development should be permitted, having regard to the development plan and all other material considerations, unless the proposed development will cause demonstrable harm to interests of acknowledged importance. The proposal will not result in demonstrable harm to the residential amenity of neighbours nor to the character and appearance of the existing property and surrounding area.		

9.3	The scale, massing, design and external materials are sympathetic with the built form and appearance of the existing dwelling and will not detract from the character and appearance of the area. The proposal complies with policy EXT 1 (a) of the addendum to Planning Policy Statement 7.	
9.4	The proposed extension is considered to be in accordance to Policy EXT1 of the addendum to PPS7 in that the proposal will not unduly affect the privacy or amenity o neighbouring residents.	
	None of the windows on the proposed extension present any overlooking issues. There is sufficient separation distance to prevent over dominance or overshadowing to an unacceptable degree.	
	The proposal complies with policy EXT 1 (b) of the addendum to Planning Policy Statement 7.	
9.5	The proposal will not result in the unacceptable loss or damage to, trees or landscape features which contributes significantly to the local environmental quality. The proposal complies with policy EXT 1 (c) of the addendum to Planning Policy Statement 7.	
9.7	Sufficient space remains within the curtilage of the property for recreational and domestic purposes. The proposal complies with policy EXT 1 (d) of the addendum to Planning Policy Statement 7.	
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ANNEX		
Date Valid	26 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	
Date First Advertised	19 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	
Date Last Advertised	19 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	
Details of Neighbour Notification (all addresses)		
10 Brooke Park,Belfast,Antrim,BT10 0NJ 12 Brooke Park,Belfast,Antrim,BT10 0NJ  Date of Last Neighbour Notification	19/03/2019	
Date of EIA Determination	N/a	
ES Requested	No	
Drawing Numbers and Title 01- Location Plan, Site Plan 02- Existing Plans & Sections 03- Proposed Plans  Notification to Department (if relevant) N/A		