CRAIGIEBUCKLER AND SEAFIELD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Planning Officer's Report

01 August 2023

Planning Matters

Reference	211528/DPP
Application Validated	Tue 26 Oct 2021
Address	Site Of Former Treetops Hotel 161 Springfield Road Aberdeen AB15 7SA
Proposal	Residential development of 77 units comprising 44 houses and 33 flats (6 storey block), associated roads and parking, drainage infrastructure, open space and landscaping
Status	Pending
Appeal Status	Unknown
Appeal Decision	Not Available
Local Review Body Status	Not Available
Local Review Body Decision	Not Available

The Treetops planning application for 77 units (44 houses & 33 flats) including a six-storey block of flats has been approved after a site visit by the planning committee on Thursday 8th June by 6 votes to 4.

The affordable housing requirement at Braeside Primary School (application 221310) was also approved.

The Senior Planner, Matthew Easton was contacted as to why a decision notice has not been published on the council website – he confirmed that "The decision of the planning committee was a 'willingness to approve', subject to the signing of a legal agreement between the Council and the developer to secure financial obligations and other matters. The permission is not issued until the legal agreement is complete. The drafting of the agreement can often take several months and in this case the agreements for both the Treetops and Braeside sites will need to be agreed for the permissions to be issued. Once the legal agreements complete and registered the planning permissions will then be granted and decision notice published.

The changes between the initial and the finalised proposals are -

Reduction in number of units from 89 (35 houses and 54 flats) to 77 (44 houses and 33 flats), resulting from replacement of the two flatted blocks on the western (rear) boundary of the site with townhouses. The parking associated with the flats is also removed, with the gardens of the proposed town houses now facing the rear boundary instead. The six storey block of flats in the north west corner is still proposed. These layout changes relate to the rear part of the site, with the remainder of the site only having minor layout adjustments and being fundamentally the same as initially proposed.

- The affordable housing requirement is now proposed off-site at the former Braeside Primary School (see application 221310/DPP). Treetops is now proposed as 100% open-market housing.
- The planning committee met to discuss the planning application along with the former Braeside Primary School development on 01/06/23 and it was decided that site visits to both sites will take place on 08/06/23 and immediately after the site visits a decision will be made on the two planning applications.



Final Layout



Initial Layout





Plot 1 Plat 5 Plot 2 Plot 3 Plot 4 Street Section C-C



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Position and size of trees indicative in this drawing. Levels beyond boundary lines indicative as no sumery was taken within private property grounds.

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Former Treetops Hotel Site, Aberdeen

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Planning Application Summary with Decisions

Date	Planning Application Number	Address	Description	Туре	ACC Status	Decision Date	Decision
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			Installation of replacement of domestic	Detailed Planning			Approved
10/02/2023	230167	22 Rubislaw Park Crescent Aberdeen AB15 8BT	garage to rear	Permission	Approved	17/03/2023	Conditionally
20/02/2023	230197	Thornlea 14 Seafield Road Aberdeen AB15 7YT	Works to Multiple Protected Trees as per schedule of works	Works to Tree in Conservation Area	Approved	09/03/2023	Approved Unconditionall
22/03/2023	230312	74 Craigiebuckler Avenue Aberdeen AB15 8SU	Erection of 1.5 storey extension with front/rear dormer extension and erection of garage to side; erection of single storey extension and decking to rear	Detailed Planning Permission	Withdrawn	13/06/2023	Withdrawn by Applicant
23/03/2023	230369	The James Hutton Institute Countesswells Road Aberdeen AB15 8QH	Works to 1 Protected Tree; T1 (36) - Beech - Fell as heavily diseased	Works to Tree Preservation Order	Approved	10/04/2023	Approved Conditionally
04/04/2023	230406	10 Burnieboozle Crescent Aberdeen AB15 8NP	Works to Protected Tree; T1 - Lime - Removal of any new growth around the base of the tree and any overhanging branches into property	Works to Tree Preservation Order	Approved	20/04/2023	Approved Conditionally
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27/04/2023	230505	6 Countesswells Crescent Aberdeen AB15 8LP	Erection of single storey extension to rear	Permission	Approved	06/06/2023	Conditionally
03/05/2023	230503	19 Kepplestone Avenue Aberdeen AB15 7XF	Formation of pitched roof over existing garage to side	Detailed Planning Permission	Approved	20/06/2023	Approved Conditionally
31/05/2023	230666	4 Macaulay Walk Aberdeen AB15 8FQ	Erection of single storey extension with decking to rear	Detailed Planning Permission	Approved	27/07/2023	Approved Conditionally
13/06/2023	230724	26 Macaulay Drive Aberdeen AB15 8FL	Works 2 Protected Trees; T1 & T2 - Beech - Remove damaged branches from storm	Works to Tree Preservation Order	Approved	28/06/2023	Approved Conditionally
			Replacement of roof to an existing	Detailed Planning			Approved
21/06/2023	230754	12 Craigiebuckler Drive Aberdeen AB15 8ND	conservatory to rear	Permission	Approved	25/07/2023	Conditionally
29/06/2023	230801	13 Pinewood Place Airyhall Aberdeen AB15 8LT	Formation of dormers to front and rear; erection of garage to side and formation of front driveway; erection of decking with external steps to rear	Detailed Planning Permission	Pending		
11/07/2023	230791	Cunningham Building Macaulay Drive Aberdeen AB15 8QH	Change of use from class 7 (hotels and hostels) to class 10 (no-residential institutions) with associated fencing and landscaping works Erection of 1st floor extension to rear and	Detailed Planning Permission Detailed Planning			
26/07/2023	230891	39 Seafield Crescent Aberdeen AB15 7UT	formation of dormers to side	Permission Detailed Planning	Pending		
27/07/2023	230913	13 Pinewood Place Airyhall Aberdeen AB15 8LT	Erection of single storey side extension	Permission	Pending		

Planning Applications as per weekly planning list June/July 2023:

Reference	230724/TPO		
Application Validated	Tue 13 Jun 2023		
Address	26 Macaulay Drive Aberdeen AB15 8FL		
Proposal	Works 2 Protected Trees; T1 & T2 - Beech - Remove damaged branches from storm		
Status	Approved		
Decision	Approve Conditionally		
Decision Issued Date	Wed 28 Jun 2023		

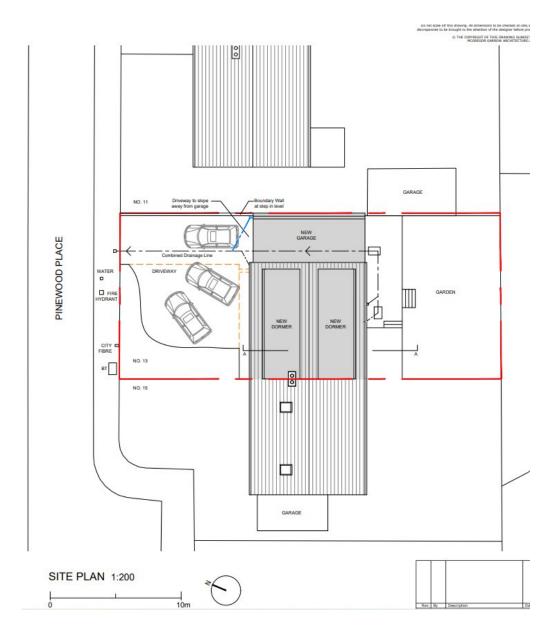


Reference	230754/DPP
Application Validated	Wed 21 Jun 2023
Address	12 Craigiebuckler Drive Aberdeen AB15 8ND
Proposal	Replacement of roof to an existing conservatory to rear
Status	Pending
Appeal Status	Unknown
Appeal Decision	Not Available
Local Review Body Status	Not Available
Local Review Body Decision	Not Available
Application Validated Date	Wed 21 Jun 2023
Expiry Date	Mon 17 Jul 2023
Permission Expiry Date	Not Available
Determination Deadline	Sun 20 Aug 2023
Local Review Body Decision Date	Not Available





Reference	230801/DPP			
Application Validated	Thu 29 Jun 2023			
Address	13 Pine	13 Pinewood Place Airyhall Aberdeen AB15 8LT		
Proposal		on of dormers to front and rear; erection of garage to side nation of front driveway; erection of decking with external rear		
Status	Pending			
Appeal Status	Unknow	n		
Appeal Decision	Not Ava	ilable		
Local Review Body Status	Not Ava	ilable		
Local Review Body Decision	Not Ava	ilable		
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Expected Decision L	.evel	Not Available		
Case Officer		Esmond Sage		
Community Council		Craigiebuckler And Seafield		
Ward		Hazlehead/Queen's Cross/Countesswells		
District Reference		Not Available		
Applicant Name		Mr Mark Stuart		
Agent Name		Ron McGregor		
Agent Company Nar	ne	McGregor Garrow Architecture		
Agent Address		12 Laverock Road Newburgh Ellon AB41 6FN		
Environmental Assessment Requested		No		
pplication Validated Date	Thu 29 Jun 2023			
Expiry Date	Mon 24 Jul 2023			
Permission Expiry Date	Not Available			
Determination Deadline	Mon 28 Aug 2023			
Local Review Body Decision Date	Not Available			





Reference	230791/DPP		
Application Validated	Tue 11 Jul 2023		
Address	Cunning	ham Building Macaulay Drive Aberdeen AB15 8QH	
Proposal	Change of use from class 7 (hotels and hostels) to class 10 (no- residential institutions) with associated fencing and landscaping works		
Status	Pending		
Appeal Status	Unknown		
Appeal Decision	Not Available		
Local Review Body Status	Not Available		
Local Review Body Decision	Not Available		
Application Type		Detailed Planning Permission	
Expected Decision Level		Not Available	
Case Officer		Alex Ferguson	
Community Council		Craigiebuckler And Seafield	
Ward		Hazlehead/Queen's Cross/Countesswells	

District Reference		Not Available
Applicant Name		Bright Horizons Family Solutions Ltd
Agent Name		John Handley
Agent Company Na	ne	John Handley Associates Ltd
Agent Address		65A Leamington Terrace Edinburgh EH10 4JT
Environmental Assessment Requested		Νο
Application Validated Date	Tue 11 Jul 2023	
Expiry Date	Thu 10 Aug 2023	
Permission Expiry Date	Not Available	
Determination Deadline	Sun 10 Sep 2023	
Local Review Body Decision Date	Not Available	

Application for planning permission for change of use and internal alterations of existing HMO/Hostel (class 7) to children's nursery/day centre (class 10) to allow extension of existing nursery facility into whole building; and associated minor alterations to external yard and garden areas

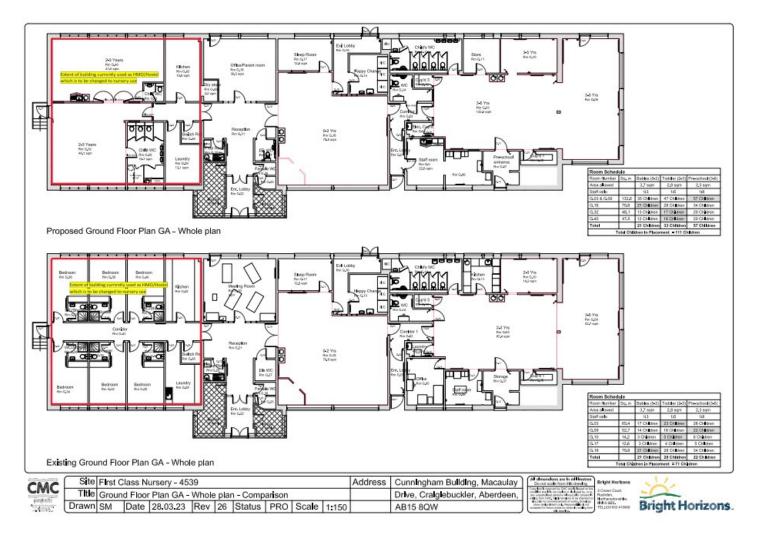
This application was submitted via the eplanning portal (online reference: 100631829-001) and seeks permission to change the eastern part of the building from its existing HMO/Hostel (class 7) use to a children's nursery/day centre (class 10) use. This change would allow the existing nursery facility to occupy the whole building. In addition to the change of use and internal alterations to facilitate the extended nursery operation, minor alterations to the external yard and garden areas are also proposed. No external alterations to the building are proposed.

The building is associated with the James Hutton Institute, a scientific research educational facility which is located to the south west of the Cunningham Building. The eastern end of the building extends to 150 sqm and currently consists of 6 bedrooms, a kitchen and laundry area which has been used as a hostel for visitors to the research institute and has operated as a House in Multiple Occupancy (HMO) for a number of years. As noted above, the remainder of the building currently contains a children's nursery operated by Bright Horizons as one of its First Class Day Nursery and Preschool centres. To the north, east and south west of the application site are a range of storage, office, research and educational buildings associated with the James Hutton Institute. To the south of the site is a local nature reserve and pond with established housing (Macaulay Gardens) further to the south beyond an established woodland area. Further established residential development is located to the north west of the site off Macaulay Drive. Vehicle and pedestrian access to the building is taken from Macaulay Drive, which connects onto Countesswells Road to the south. The building is currently served by a car parking area to the west of the building which has capacity for 20 spaces which will remain as currently provided.

Photographs showing the location of the building and the surrounding area are provided below.



Aerial photograph showing extent of building that requires a change of use



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Proposal	Erection side	Erection of 1st floor extension to rear and formation of dormers to side		
Status	Pending			
Appeal Status	Unknown			
Appeal Decision	Not Available			
Local Review Body Status	Not Available			
Local Review Body Decision	Not Available			
Application Type		Detailed Planning Permission		
Expected Decision Level		Not Available		
Case Officer		Sam Smith		
Community Council		Craigiebuckler And Seafield		
Ward		Hazlehead/Queen's Cross/Countesswells		

District Reference		Not Available	
Applicant Name		Mr & Mrs G McCallan	
Agent Name		Steven Lawrence	
Agent Company Nar	me	LAS Architecture	
Agent Address		Upper Balblair Studio Midmar Aberdeenshire AB51 7NA	
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Application Validated Date	Wed 26	Jul 2023	
Expiry Date	Fri 18 A	ug 2023	
Permission Expiry Date	Not Ava	ilable	
Determination Deadline	Mon 25	Sep 2023	



Reference	230913/	230913/DPP		
Application Validated	Thu 27 、	Thu 27 Jul 2023		
Address	13 Pinev	wood Place Airyhall Aberdeen AB15 8LT		
Proposal	Erection	of single storey side extension		
Status	Pending			
Appeal Status	Unknow	n		
Appeal Decision	Not Available			
Local Review Body Status	Not Available			
Local Review Body Decision	Not Available			
Application Type		Detailed Planning Permission		
Expected Decision Level		Not Available		
Case Officer		Esmond Sage		
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