# Report of Handling for Application 24/01671/FUL

ADDRESS:	321 Great Western Road	Item 3	
		18th February 2	025
PROPOSAL:	Erection of outbuilding store to rear of restaurant (Retrospective).		

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DATE OF ADVERT:	23 August 2024		
NO OF REPRESENTATIONS AND SUMMARY OF ISSUES RAISED	<ul> <li>23 August 2024</li> <li>Four letters of objection were received against the proposal. The grounds of objection are as follows:         <ul> <li>Impact on fire safety/ evacuation routes.                 Response: This is a Building Standards issue and it is not a material planning consideration.</li> <li>Lack of detail for the proposed use of the building/ food hygiene risk Response: This is a consideration for Public Health and it is not a material planning consideration.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Land ownership.         <ul> <li>Response: This is not a material planning consideration</li> </ul> </li> <li>Impact on the communal backcourt.         <ul> <li>Response: Agreed, this would lead to an unacceptable reduction of the residential backcourt and is contrary to the Development Plan as explained in the 'Other Comments' section of this report.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Design         <ul> <li>Response: Agreed, the current design would negatively impact the special</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
	character of the surrounding conservation area.		
PARTIES CONSULTED AND RESPONSES	None required.		
PRE-APPLICATION COMMENTS	No pre-application advice was sought.		

EIA - MAIN ISSUES	NONE
CONSERVATION (NATURAL HABITATS ETC) REGS 1994 – MAIN ISSUES	NOT APPLICABLE
DESIGN OR DESIGN/ACCESS STATEMENT – MAIN ISSUES	NOT APPLICABLE
IMPACT/POTENTIAL IMPACT STATEMENTS - MAIN ISSUES	NOT APPLICABLE
S75 AGREEMENT SUMMARY	NOT APPLICABLE
DETAILS OF DIRECTION UNDER REGS 30/31/32	NOT APPLICABLE
NPF4 POLICIES	The National Planning Framework 4 (NPF4) is the national spatial strategy for Scotland up to 2045. Unlike previous national planning documents, the NPF4 is part of the statutory Development Plan and Glasgow City Council as planning authority

	must assess all proposed development against its policies. The following policies considered relevant to the application:					
	Policy 1 Tackling the Climate and Nature Crisis Policy 2 Climate Mitigation and Adaptation Policy 7 Historic Assets and Places					
	The City Development Plan consists of high-level policies with statutory supplementary guidance providing further information or detail in respect of the policies. The following are considered relevant to the application:					
CITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN POLICIES	1 37					
	DP 1 and CDP2 are overarching policies which must be considered for all development proposals.					
OTHER MATERIAL CONSIDERATIONS	Glasgow West Conservation Area					
REASON FOR DECISION						

## Comments

	Development Management	
	07/00328/DC   Use of premises as extension to restaurant with outside seating area (with original restaurant at 315 Great Western Road and extension operating with Refreshment Licence)   Grant, subject to conditions on 23.04.2007	
	13/00528/DC   Alterations to shopfront   Grant, subject to conditions on 10.05.2013	
Planning History	13/01128/DC   Display of two illuminated fascia signs   Grant, subject to conditions on 05.07.2013	
	18/02048/FUL   Erection of flue to rear of property   Grant, subject to conditions on 29.11.2018	
	Enforcement	
	21/00676/EN   Vent installed to rear of tenement that terminates at flat level   Pending	
	23/00401/EN   Vents   Pending	
	24/00186/EN   Outbuilding and flue   Pending	
Site Visits (Dates)	The application was assessed using the photographic schedule provided by the applicant. The planning officer is familiar with the site and the surrounding area.	
Siting	The application site is a restaurant (Class 3) located at the ground floor level of a three-storey blond sandstone tenemental block. The site occupies a corner position with frontages on both Great Western Road and Barrington Drive. The site shares a rear backcourt with the flatted dwellings located above.	
	The site is located within Glasgow West Conservation Area and in Ward 11 – Hillhead.	
Design and Materials	The proposal is a retrospective application for the erection of an outbuilding in the backcourt area. The outbuilding occupies circa 3.6 sqm and is located directly adjacent to a flying staircase leading to the first floor. It is constructed of a grey metal cladding with some black metal frames around the edges.	
Daylight	N/A	
Aspect	N/A	
Privacy	N/A	

Adjacent Levels	N/A		
Landscaping (Including Garden Ground)	N/A		
Access and Parking	N/A		
Site Constraints	Glasgow West Conservation Area		
	CDP1 & SG1 Placemaking Principle		

- CDP1 seeks a holistic, design-led approach to development. SG 1 Part 1 states placemaking priorities in the Historic Environment are:
- a) Protecting and enhancing the unique character of historic buildings, structures and settings:
- b) Promoting new development of the highest design and material quality which respects and integrates with the existing historic environment.

In respect to alterations to shops and commercial property, SG1 Placemaking Principle Part 2 sets out guidance relating to the development.

#### **Rear Alterations or Extensions -** The following guidance applies:

- a) commercial premises should not extend into existing backcourts (see Definition), where this would lead to an unacceptable reduction in the area of the backcourt and a consequent reduction of residential amenity;
- b) there should be no door access from a commercial unit into a backcourt or communal garden, where this would allow noise and commercial activity into the exclusively residential part of the tenement; and
- c) the introduction of outdoor seating areas to the rear of food and drink premises can also have adverse impacts on the amenity of neighbouring residents. This issue is addressed in policy relating to food and drink uses.

#### Officer's Comments

The erection of the outbuilding in the communal backcourt directly goes against this aspect of the policy as it would have an adverse impact on the residential amenity. The presence of the outbuilding would lead to an unacceptable reduction in the residential amenity. The development is therefore contrary to the policy.

#### **CDP9 and SG9 Historic Environment**

CDP 9 Historic Environment and its supplementary guidance SG9 specifically target the historic environment and alteration to listed buildings. SG9 has specific guidance for development affecting properties located on conservation areas.

Garages, sheds and outbuildings should be located to the rear of the property or where least open to public view. The structure should be subsidiary in scale and sympathetic in design and should respect the character of the Listed Building and/or Conservation Area.

#### Officer's Comments

The outbuilding materials and design are at odds with the character of the surrounding Glasgow West conservation and do not contribute to preserve and enhance the special character and interest of the Conservation Area.

In respect to b), the proposal will not preserve the special character of the surrounding conservation area by virtue of its design and materials.

In respect to c), material considerations which include objections have been addressed earlier in this report.

Overall, and for the reasons listed above it is recommended that the application is refused.

#### Recommendation

Refuse

Date:	10.10.2024	DM Officer	Constance Damiani
Date	16/10/2024	DM Manager	Mark Thomson

### **Reasons for Refusal**

- 01. The proposal was not considered to be in accordance with the Development Plan and there were no material considerations which outweighed the proposal's variance with the Development Plan.
- 02. For the reasons noted below, the development is contrary to Policy 7 Historic Assets and Places of the National Planning Framework 4, Policies CDP 1 The Placemaking Principle, CDP 9 Historic Environment and Supplementary Guidance SG 1 Placemaking Principle Part 2 and SG 9 Historic Environment of the adopted Glasgow City Development Plan.
- 03. The erection of the outbuilding would lead to an acceptable reduction in the area of the communal backcourt which would adversely impact the residential amenity; this is contrary to SG1 Placemaking Principle Part 2, Alterations to Shops and Commercial Properties, Rear Alterations or Extensions from the Glasgow City Development Plan.
- 04. By virtue of its design and materials, the outbuilding would have a negative impact on the special character and interest of the surrounding Glasgow West Conservation Area; this is contrary to Policy 7 Historic Assets and Places from the National Planning Framework and Policy SG9 Historic Environment from the Glasgow City Development Plan.