

PLANNING COMMITTEE: 12th May 2020
DEPARTMENT: Planning Service
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING: Peter Baguley

APPLICATION REF: N/2019/1594

LOCATION: Furze Court, Hunsbarrow Road

DESCRIPTION: Installation of brick built bin enclosures adjacent to 4-24 Furze Court with access path

WARD: Delapre & Briar Ward

APPLICANT: Northampton Partnership Homes
AGENT: N/A

REFERRED BY: Director of Planning and Sustainability
REASON: Council owned land

DEPARTURE: No

APPLICATION FOR DETERMINATION:

1 RECOMMENDATION

1.1 **APPROVAL** subject to the conditions as set out below and for the following reason:

The proposed development would have no undue adverse impact on the street scene or on the amenities of adjoining occupiers and would thereby comply with the National Planning Policy Framework, Policy S10 of the West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy and saved policy E20 of the Northampton Local Plan.

2 THE PROPOSAL

2.1 The current application seeks permission for the installation of brick built bin enclosures adjacent to Furze Court with an access path to create a crossover for bin collection.

3 SITE DESCRIPTION

3.1 The application site comprises an area of green space located adjacent to an existing block of flats at Furze Court.

3.2 The local area is predominantly residential with a mix of bungalows and blocks of flatted development.

4 PLANNING HISTORY

4.1 None.

5 PLANNING POLICY

5.1 Statutory Duty

Section 38(6) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires a planning application to be determined in accordance with the Development Plan unless material planning considerations indicate otherwise. The Development Plan for the purposes of this application comprises the adopted West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy (2014), Northampton Local Plan (1997) saved policies.

National Policies

5.2 **National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)** sets out the current aims and objectives for the planning system and how these should be applied. In delivering sustainable development, decisions should have regard to the mutually dependent social, economic and environmental roles of the planning system. The NPPF should be read as one complete document. However, the following section is of particular relevance to this application:

- Section 12 - Achieving well designed places.

5.3 West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy (2014)

The West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy (JCS) provides an up to date evidence base and considers the current Government requirements for plan making as it has been prepared in full conformity with the NPPF. Policy of particular relevance is:

- Policy S10: Sustainable Development Principles

5.4 Northampton Local Plan 1997 (Saved Policies)

Due to the age of the plan, the amount of weight that can be attributed to the aims and objectives of this document are diminished, however, the following policy is material to this application:

- Policy E20- Northampton Local Plan.

5.5 Supplementary Planning Documents

Planning out Crime in Northamptonshire SPG 2004
Northamptonshire County Parking Standards 2016
Northampton Parking Standards 2019

6 CONSULTATIONS/ REPRESENTATIONS

6.1 **Environmental Health** – No comments to make.

7 APPRAISAL

7.1 The issues to consider are the impact on visual amenity and on the amenities of adjoining residential occupiers, as a result of the proposed bin store.

Visual Amenity and Street Scene

7.2 The proposed bin store would be functional in appearance to accommodate 3 Euro Bins and have been proposed to be finished in brickwork to match the existing flats. The proposed bin enclosures would be approximately 2m in height and 5m in width and 1.25m wide. Owing to the scale and siting of the bin enclosures, it is considered that it would not appear unduly prominent or be an

incongruous feature in the streetscene and would be in keeping with the overall character of the area. As such, it is not considered that this enclosure would be detrimental to visual amenity and would have any adverse impact on the streetscene. The proposed development would comply with guidelines in the NPPF and saved policy E20 of the Northampton Local Plan.

Impact on adjoining occupiers

- 7.3 The bin store with an access path would be located adjoining the block of flats and would serve the local residents. The bin enclosures would be located at some distance and given the scale of the structure, it would not unduly affect the occupiers of these flats.

8 CONCLUSION

- 8.1 The proposed bin enclosures would have no undue adverse impact on the street scene or on the amenities of adjoining and nearby occupiers. The proposal would comply with the guidelines outlined in the NPPF, policy S10 of the West Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy and saved policy E20 of the Northampton Local Plan.

9 CONDITIONS

1. The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

Reason: To comply with Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

2. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans: BH-PL- 008.

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt and to accord with the terms of the planning application.

10 BACKGROUND PAPERS

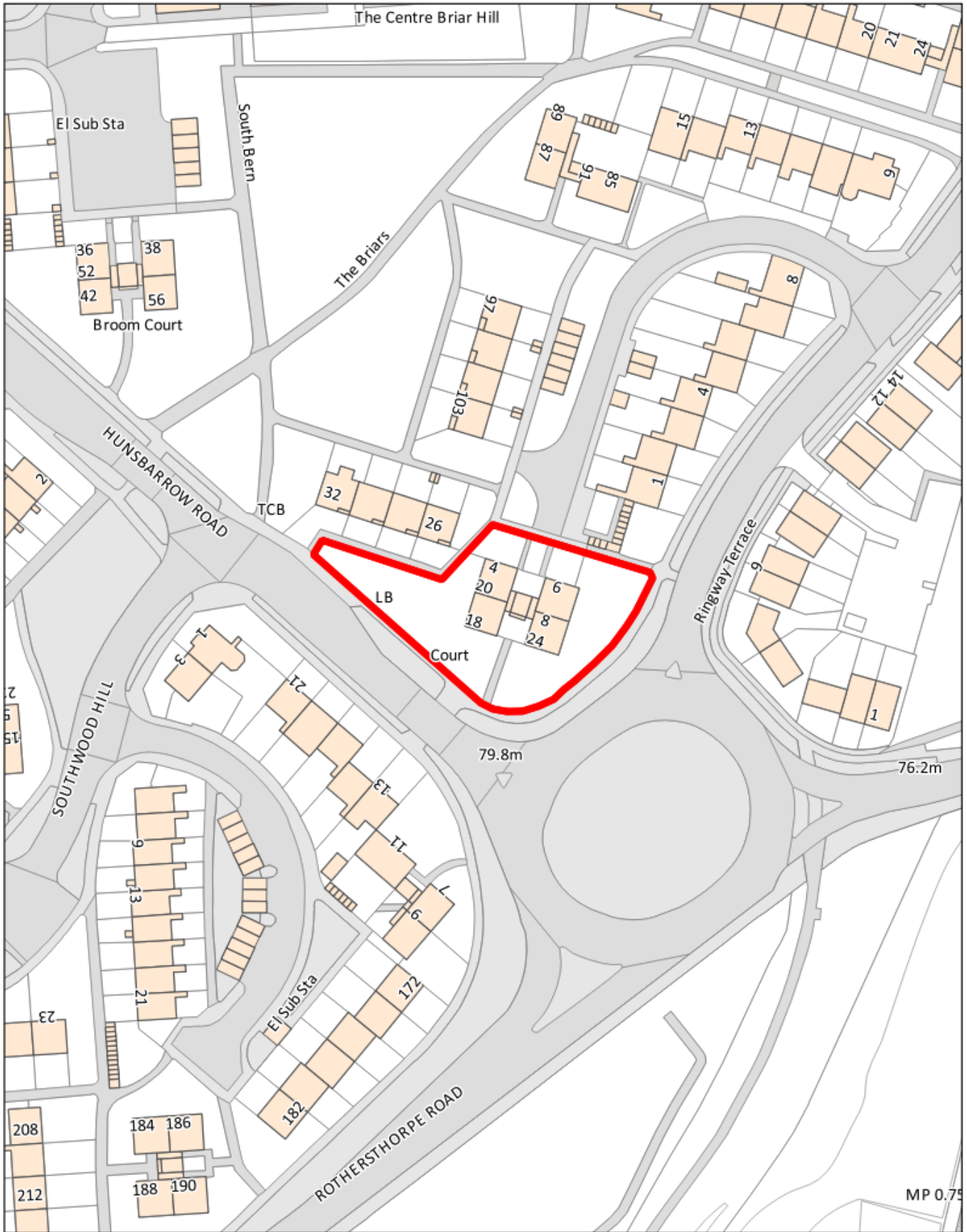
- 10.1 N/2019/1594.

11 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 11.1 The development is not CIL liable.

12 SUMMARY AND LINKS TO CORPORATE PLAN

- 12.1 In reaching the attached recommendations regard has been given to securing the objectives, visions and priorities outlined in the Corporate Plan together with those of associated Frameworks and Strategies.



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