Application Ref: NP/22/0096/FUL

Case Officer

Carys Vaughan Mrs G Griffin

Applicant Agent

Mr Hywel Rees

Proposal

Proposed one bedroom owner/managers accommodation

above cafe

Site Location

Beach House Cafe, Gas Lane, Tenby, Pembrokeshire,

SA70 8AG

Grid Ref

SN13250111

Date Valid

11-Feb-2022

Target Date

14-Sep-2022

This application is being presented to the Development Management Committee due to the objection of Tenby Town Council.

Consultee Response

PCNPA Access Manager: No objection PCNPA Park Direction: No objection **Dwr Cymru Welsh Water**: Observations Natural Resources Wales: No objection

PCC - Transportation & Environment: No objection PCNPA Planning Ecologist: Conditional Consent

PCNPA Tree and Landscape Officer: Conditional Consent

PCNPA Buildings Conservation Officer: No adverse comments

Tenby Civic Society: Conditional Consent – 'No objections; additional floor makes for a better design. We welcome the residence added and its addition to surveillance of the car parks. We would not object if rear dormers were proposed instead of velux; more internal light and would add the Minor injuries unit car park to surveillance of the Buts Field car park which appears to lack a surveillance camera. A condition restricting a permission to residential use seems necessary'

Tenby Town Council: Recommend Refusal – 'Members feel the scale and massing of this proposal constitutes over-development of the site'.

Public Response

A site notice and neighbour notification letters were posted in accordance with requirements of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Wales) Order 2012.

A site notice was erected on the site by the Applicant (with evidential photos submitted to the Authority on the 11 March2022). No public third party responses have been received

Policies considered

Please note that these policies can be viewed on the Policies page Pembrokeshire Coast National Park website – Local Development Plan 2 - Pembrokeshire Coast National Park

LDP2 Policy 01 - National Park Purposes and Duty

LDP2 Policy 08 - Special Qualities

LDP2 Policy 11 - Nationally Protected Sites and Species

LDP2 Policy 14 - Conservation of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park

LDP2 Policy 29 - Sustainable Design

LDP2 Policy 30 - Amenity/

LDP2 Policy 48 - Affordable Housing

Constraints

Special Area of Conservation - within 500m Site of Special Scientific Interest - within 50m Tree Preservation Order Contaminated Land LDP Allocation Biodiversity Issue Rights of Way Inland - within 50m Ancient Monument - within 500m Potential for surface water flooding LDP Centre:60pc aff housing;30 units/ha Recreation Character Areas Low Coal Risk Affordable Housing Submarkets Seascape Character Areas Within Site of Special Scientific Interest consult NRW / Planning Ecologist 20m Landscape Character Area Special Area of Conservation - within 50m

Officer's Appraisal

Introduction

This is an application for the raising of the roof and a small two storey side extension to allow for a one bedroom managers flat/accommodation to be created.

Site description and description of development

The application site is located within Tenby. The building is currently 'The Beach House Café' located on Gas Lane at the entrance of one of Tenby's main Car Parks.

The current proposal seeks planning permission to raise the roof of the existing café and provide accommodation within it for the owner/manager of the café.

The proposal involves increasing the height by 2.2m to 1.5 storey, construction of an extension to the north and east elevations to provide an external staircase and access to the first floor with 2 no. pitched roof dormers within the front elevation.

Materials would match those as existing.

Planning History

The site has a planning history that is material to the determination of this planning application:

NP/14/0133 - One bedroom owner/manager accommodation above existing single storey café - Approved

Key Issues

Applying the planning policy context provided above, the nature of the development, site, planning history and representations made in relation to the application the following are considered to represent the main material considerations in determining this proposal:

- · Principle of development
- · Siting and design
- Amenity and privacy
- Access and parking
- · Drainage/Water issues
- · Other matters

Principle of development

The application site is located within the Centre Boundary for Tenby, as defined by the Local Development Plan (LDP) therefore the principle of creating living accommodation is acceptable subject to all other planning considerations.

The proposed manager's accommodation would be a new dwelling, at paragraph 6 of the Authority's Supplementary Planning Guidance on Affordable Housing it states that managers dwellings would be exempt from providing a contribution to affordable housing provided its use is controlled through an appropriate planning condition.

Scale, siting and design.

Policy 8 of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Local Development Plan (LDP) is a strategy policy which refers to the special qualities of the National Park and lists priorities to ensure that these qualities will be protected and enhanced.

Policy 14 of the LDP seeks the conservation of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park, resisting development that would cause significant visual intrusion, be insensitively or unsympathetically sited within the landscape, and/or fail to harmonise with, or enhance the landform and landscape character of the National Park.

Policy 29 of the LDP requires all development proposals to be well designed in terms of place and local distinctiveness.

The proposed creation of a managers dwelling by the raising of the roof is considered to be of a suitable design, scale and siting which will not have an adverse impact upon the character of the host building nor on the wider landscape. The development is of a scale and form that is considered a suitable addition to the existing building.

The development will have an acceptable impact on the character and appearance of the original building and will not cause an unacceptably detrimental impact to the special qualities of the National Park. As such, the development complies with policies 8, 14 and 29 of the LDP and can be supported.

Amenity and Privacy:

Policy 30 seeks to avoid incompatible development and significant adverse impact upon the amenity enjoyed by neighbouring properties, particularly where the development is an inappropriate use, is of a scale incompatible with its surroundings, development leads to an increase in traffic, noise, odour or light or the development is visually intrusive.

The managers' accommodation will be within the existing building. There are no residential properties within close proximity to the application site. The application site is an existing café and as the accommodation is for someone working at the business its impact from the café beneath is considered acceptable. A small area of amenity space is available for parking and use by the resident of the flat to the north of the site. The hospital to the rear and other neighbouring properties are set at a distance that could not be affected by the proposal.

The proposed development is not considered to give rise to any adverse impact on amenity.

Access and parking.

The highways authority have raised no objections to this application as the plans show that the site will have its own parking space with two cycle racks. The site is located at the edge of an adjacent carpark and within walking site of local amenities

Biodiversity.

To comply with Planning Policy Wales (2021) and the Environment (Wales) Act 2016 planning authorities are expected to ensure every development positively contributes to biodiversity.

Following consultation, the Authority's Ecologist and Natural Resources Wales did not object. The applicant has provided a bat box on the site of the property to enhance local biodiversity which is welcomed and therefore the application is considered to comply with the Local Development Plan, Planning Policy Wales and the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

Drainage/Water issues

Policy 32 of the LDP requires development to incorporate sustainable drainage systems for the disposal of surface water on site. Welsh Water has raised no objection to the proposal subject to a condition concerning surface water drainage.

Conclusion

The proposed extension is of a simple modest design and scale with parking area. The proposal is considered to be appropriate in design, would offer no amenity issues to neighbouring properties and, subject to conditions restricting its use to tie with the business, tree protection issues and highways the proposal is recommended for approval.

Recommendation

APPROVE, subject to the following conditions:

1. The development shall begin not later than five years from the date of this decision.

Reason: Required to be imposed pursuant to Section 91 (1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

2. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans and documents:

Location plan

Proposed site plan

Proposed section A-A

Proposed elevation 1

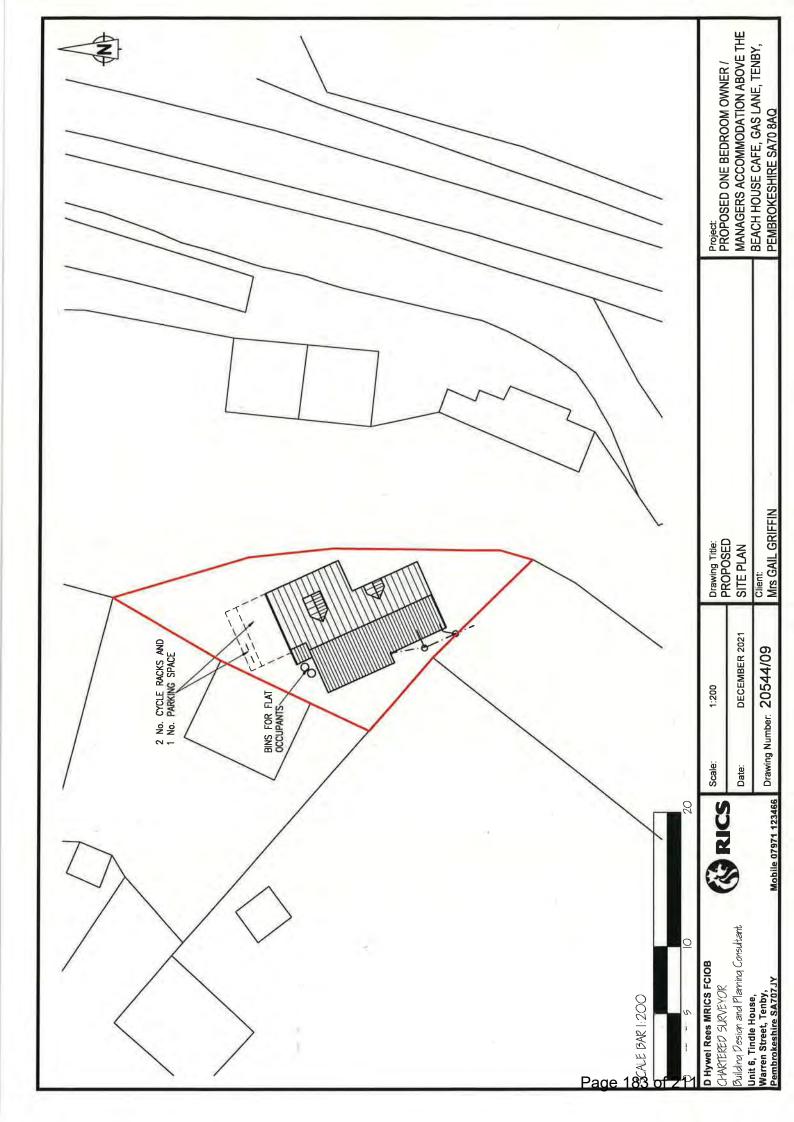
Proposed elevation 2
Proposed elevation 3
Proposed first floor
Proposed ground floor

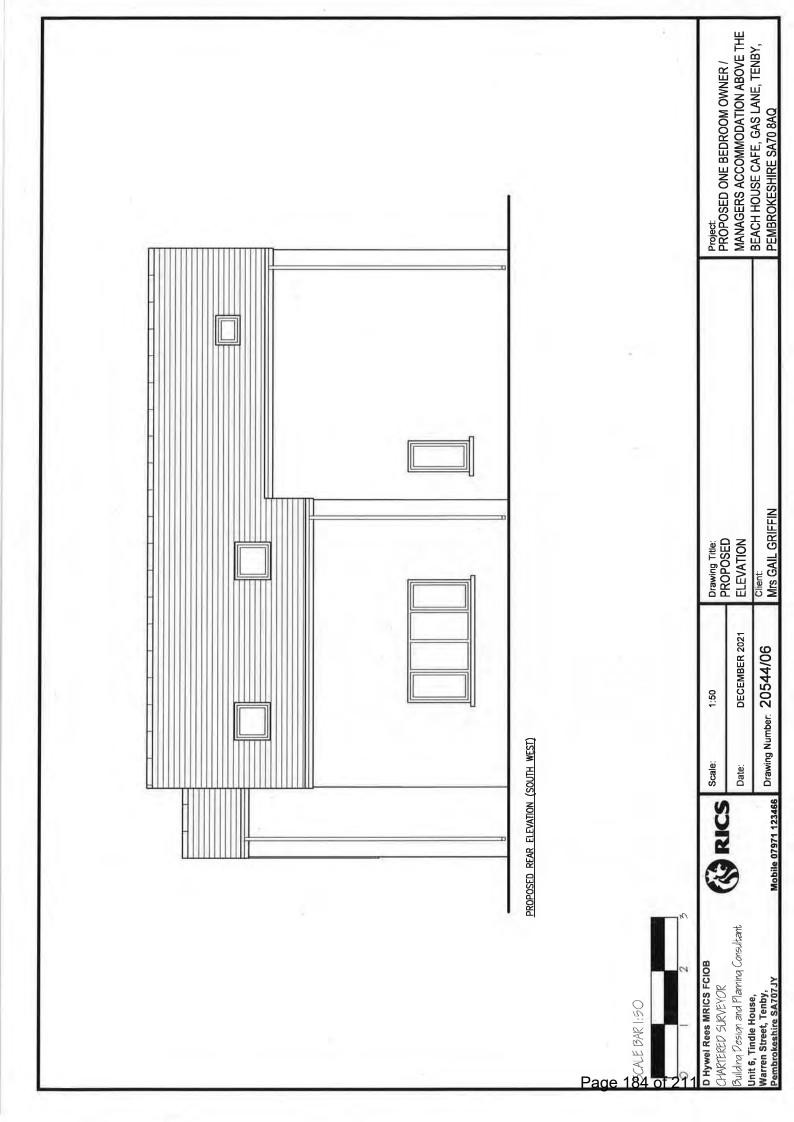
Reason: In order to be clear on the approved scheme of development in the interests of protecting visual amenity and the special qualities of the National Park. Policy: Local Development Plan 2 – Policies 1 (National Park Purposes and Duty), 8 (Special Qualities), 14 (Conservation of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park) and 29 (Sustainable Design).

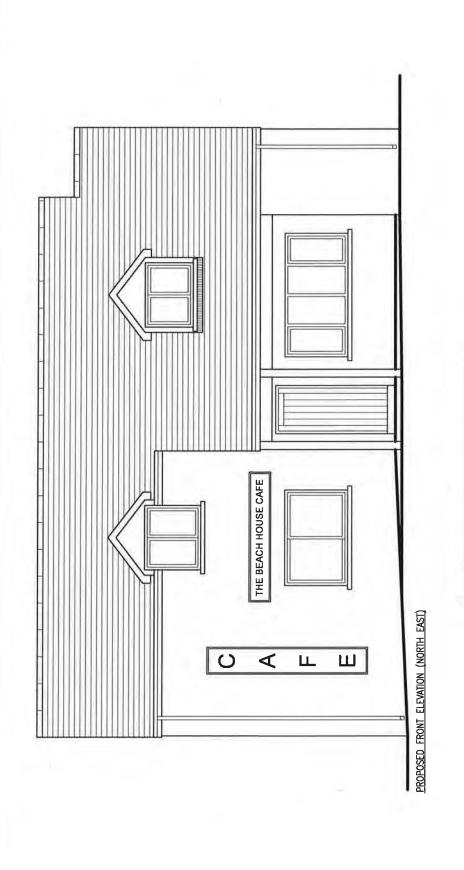
- 3. The materials to be used in the construction of the external surfaces of the extension shall match those used in the existing building. Reason: To ensure a proper standard of development and appearance in the interests of conserving the amenities and special qualities of the area. Policy: Local Development Plan 2 – Policies 1 (National Park Purposes and Duty) and 14 (Conservation of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park).
- 4. The residential unit hereby approved shall not be occupied other than by a person solely or mainly employed in the management and operation of the cafe.

Reason: The development would not be supported as an independent use due to the relationship between the cafe and residential accommodation - Policy 30 - Amenity.

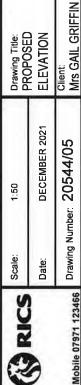
5. The off-street parking facilities (for all vehicles, including cycles) shown on the plan hereby approved shall be provided before the building is first occupied, and thereafter retained for that purpose.
Reason: To ensure the satisfactory provision of parking facilities and in the interest of highway safety and the amenity of the area. Policy: Local Development Plan 2 - Policy 60 - Impacts on Traffic.







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PEMBROKESHIRE SA70 8AQ

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