



Appeal Decision

Site Visit made on 9 March 2021

By Paul Thompson DipTRP MAUD MRTPI

an Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State

Decision date: 9 April 2021

Appeal Ref: APP/B1930/W/20/3258233

Land adjacent to Dalton House, Dalton Street, St Albans, AL3 5QQ

- The appeal is made under section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 against a refusal to grant planning permission.
 - The appeal is made by Mr Burns (Burns Acquisitions Limited) against the decision of St Albans City and District Council.
 - The application Ref 5/20/1026, dated 4 May 2020, was refused by notice dated 17 July 2020.
 - The development proposed is part demolition of Office Building and Erection of 3 No. Dwellings with associated works.
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Decision

1. The appeal is dismissed.

Procedural Matter

2. I am aware of the complaint made in relation to the reasoning provided for the previous decision in 2019¹ relating to this site, with particular regard to whether or not a wall is curtilage listed. While that appeal and the other appeals that preceded it² in 2014 and 2015 are capable of being a material consideration in the determination of this appeal, I have made my determination afresh in light of the evidence before me and arrived at my own conclusions in respect of this and the other matters relevant to this appeal.

Main Issues

3. The main issues are: -
 - whether the wall that abuts Dalton Street is situated within the curtilage of the Grade II listed building, Bleak House³, and thereby should be considered as part of the listed building;
 - if the wall is within the curtilage of the listed building, whether the proposal would preserve the listed building, and any features of special historic interest that it possesses, including its setting, the effect of the proposed development on the setting of the Grade II listed wall, railings and gate piers to Dalton House, and the extent to which it would preserve or enhance the character or appearance of the St Albans Conservation Area, including the effect on trees therein or otherwise protected by a Tree Preservation Order.

¹ Appeal Ref: APP/B1930/W/18/3212516, determined 2 September 2019.

² Appeal Refs: APP/B1930/A/13/2206681, determined in 2014; APP/B1930/A/14/2228207 and APP/B1930/E/14/2228209 (linked), determined 26 March 2015.

³ The listed building is now known as Dalton House.

Reasons

Curtilage of the listed building

4. The appeal proposal includes a wall that abuts Dalton Street, to the east of the listed building now known as 'Dalton House'. The wall would be demolished and replaced by a new wall and the appellants dispute that the wall should be considered as part of the listed building.
5. Section 1(5)(b) of the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (the Act) states that any object or structure within the curtilage of the listed building which, although not fixed to the building, forms part of the land and has done so since before 1 July 1948 shall be treated as part of the listed building.
6. Although the wall is not expressly identified in the list description, this factor is not determinative as to whether it is listed; whether the building is 'curtilage listed' as per Section 1(5)(b) of the Act is a matter of fact and degree based on the evidence before me. Case law has established a number of tests which should be taken into account by a decision taker in defining the extent of curtilage. These comprise the physical layout of the listed building and the building in question, their ownership past and present, and their use or function past and present specifically whether the building was ancillary to the purposes of the listed building at the date of listing. These tests are also set out in Historic England Advice Note 10⁴.
7. As Dalton House was listed in 1950, prior to 1 January 1969, when the law relating to curtilages first came into effect, the Council has adopted the advice outlined in the Advice Note and determined the situation at this point in relation to the tests outlined above. I have therefore taken a similar approach.
8. The land forming the appeal site was clearly part of the Dalton House estate prior to 1948, as confirmed by the conveyancing paperwork for the estate dated 1874. However, the appellants' Historic Building Appraisal⁵ (HBA) suggests that the plot may have been absorbed into the estate as early as 1840. The extension of the estate land to include the site is linked to the Victorian expansion of St Albans through terraced housing around Dalton and other streets radiating from Folly Lane and Catherine Street. It is also entirely plausible, given that the wall was erected in the 19th Century, that it was erected around the same time.
9. The aerial photograph from 1928 shows mature planting behind the wall, which appears to suggest that the wall had been in situ for some time beforehand, and that the planting formed part of a garden area to Dalton House. The wall is also depicted in a pen and ink drawing from 1959 shown in the HBA, and the land behind it in use as a garden on a separate photograph from 1967. There is therefore no substantive evidence before me to suggest that the wall had been replaced by the point the House was listed in 1950 or by 1969.
10. The division of the site into a separate parcel of land continued to be shown on later ordnance survey maps, including those dated 1878, 1880, 1898, 1924 and 1939. This is likely to be as a result of the presence of the separately listed wall between at least part of the site and the House. The evidence before me

⁴ Listed Buildings and Curtilage (published in 2018).

⁵ Produced by the Built Environment Advisory and Management Service, dated May 2016.

suggests that the land remained with the House until 2012, when it was formally separated from it due to the House returning to residential use and the office building being constructed in the site. The subdivision of land on the maps does not therefore appear to have been an indication of ownership.

11. The nature of the use of the land and its connectivity to the wider estate has fluctuated over time, as evidenced by various images provided as part of the appeal. The 1967 photograph and an undated photograph in the Council's Conservation Area Character Statement (CACS) both show the listed wall to be higher but part replaced by mesh fencing serving the netball/tennis court within the site. Furthermore, images in the Council's Officer Report from 2009 and the supporting statement⁶ for a 2002 application at the House show a partly open boundary, with a break in the listed wall formed to provide access to parking in the site for the office use of Dalton House.
12. Having regard to all of the above, it is unclear when the listed wall was first altered to facilitate access between the House and the site, but there is a clear association between the two. The space within the site was as equally as important as the wall to Dalton Street in defining what constituted the estate following the Victorian expansion of St Albans.
13. I do not doubt the connection between Dalton House and the separately listed wall, railings, and gate piers, as these enclose the formal entrance, emphasise the status of the House beyond its estate and provide a clear defensible boundary to Catherine Street. However, their presence did not preclude the expansion of the estate beyond to include the appeal site or its enclosure to provide a defensible boundary to Dalton Street.
14. The fact that the site may have formed a separate area of land used as a garden and for other purposes, is therefore not determinative in this case, particularly as there appear to have been physical connections between, albeit to a more limited extent. Furthermore, there is nothing to suggest that the House, land, and wall were not under joint ownership at the time of listing or when the curtilage law came into effect.
15. Overall, in the light of the evidence before me, the ownership, physical layout and the use and function of Dalton House and the land to its east is as such that the wall abutting Dalton Street is within the curtilage of the listed building. I therefore conclude that the wall should be considered as part of the listed building as set out in the Act.

The Proposal

16. The proposed development would principally relate to a short terrace of two-storey houses, each with a basement and accommodation in the roof space. The basement level would be partly formed from the lower ground floor level of the existing office building situated within the site, but extended west to provide a lower level patio. The house at Plot 1 would also include an additional flat roofed single storey side projection with a basement beneath.
17. The appellants have suggested in their Statement of Case that only part of the existing wall would be removed but, in the absence of a demolition plan, I have based the extent of proposed demolition on the proposed east elevation. This shows that the existing boundary wall to Dalton Street would be demolished in

⁶ CgMs Consulting Supporting Statement, dated July 2002, and stamped with Reference: 5/02/1505/LB.

its entirety and rebuilt, reusing the existing bricks, partly as a taller wall to the corner with Catherine Street, part lower to a height similar to the terraced houses to the north and part with railings atop adjacent to the site access, which would be widened.

18. The proposed houses would be constructed of facing brickwork laid in a Flemish bond, under a slate roof with clipped eaves and brick chimney stacks. Windows would be timber conservation-style sash, with glazing bars, and doors to the street would be timber panelled.

Significance and setting of the listed buildings and conservation area and the amenity contribution of trees

19. The appeal site concerns an area of land to the east of Dalton House, a Grade II listed, and adjoins Dalton Street and Catherine Street, within the St Albans Conservation Area (CA). It is occupied by a flat roofed single storey office building⁷ with a basement served by glazed light wells. The majority of the remainder of the site is a gravel-surfaced car park but there are two Corsica Pine trees situated close to the northern boundary of the site, protected by a Tree Preservation Order (TPO), and two London Plane trees sited in the southwestern corner, protected by their presence within the CA. The site is enclosed at Dalton Street by the curtilage listed wall referred to above and by a tall mature laurel hedge along Catherine Street, which also wraps around along the western boundary. Meanwhile to the frontage of Catherine Street and along the western boundary of the site are the separately listed wall, railings, and gate piers, which is a Grade II listed building.
20. Dalton House, formerly known as Bleak House features architectural detailing that is especially refined and befitting of its status as one of the oldest buildings in the area, a former country house, and later the administrative headquarters of St Albans Hospital. The house is set back from Catherine Street, behind a wide pavement; the separately listed wall, railings and piers, which is back planted by a laurel hedge; and a deep formal courtyard with a central landscaped space.
21. The central block of Dalton House is of early-18th Century origin and two-storeys with a basement and attic rooms served by square dormers set with an M-shaped, high-pitched and hipped clay tiled roof. The roof is behind a raised brick parapet and a white painted modillioned cornice above five bays of tall vertically sliding sash windows at first floor and an elaborate designed and finished centrally positioned Prostyle Tuscan porch at ground floor. The windows are primarily topped with brick arches with curved decorative features but the central window above the door has a shouldered, moulded brick architrave.
22. The wings to either side of the central block are detailed to an equally high standard but are later additions. The right wing is lower in height but also M-shaped and of late-18th Century origin, with modillioned detailing carried into the eaves of its hipped roof around to the side, where it adjoins the appeal site. There are also later single storey extensions to rear, with basements, but the purpose of these is not known.

⁷ This was granted permission in 2012.

23. Despite modern extensions to the rear of listed building, its significance today is derived from its architectural and historic interest, as a notable Georgian former country house, with classical proportions and detailing.
24. In terms of the wall to Dalton Street, which I have determined to be curtilage listed, it is tall and of some length, stretching from the corner of the street to just short of the terraced houses to the north, where a gated opening provides access into the site. It is of red brick construction with a canted plinth projecting forward of the principal walling but back of regularly spaced buttresses. Atop the wall are oppositely canted bricks arranged beneath a course of bricks and triangular shaped bricks, some of which have been lost at the southern end.
25. The expansion of the estate and erection of the wall are both evidence of attempts to protect the status of the House within the locale by creating a definitive and defensible boundary to the humbler terraced housing to the east in Dalton Street. Therefore, despite the access formed through it, the loss of some brickwork and evidence of water damage and leaning, the function, form and appearance of the wall continue to make a positive contribution to the significance of the listed building.
26. The separately listed wall, railings and gate piers to Dalton House are those to the eastern frontage of the courtyard of the house and the return toward the house. The railings are cast iron and sit above a low red brick wall laid in Flemish bond, with a stone coping. Either end of the wall is framed by piers with pineapple finials atop, the left being of stone and the right of brick. As referred to above, the return section of the wall appears to have been altered in height and design, part of which relates to the entrance through for parking previously accommodated within the site. Notwithstanding these alterations, the wall is still significant for the contribution made to the enclosure of the frontage of Dalton House, which increases its stature in the locality.
27. Given that the appeal site was not originally part of the estate of Dalton House and it has had numerous uses, the setting of the listed buildings has changed over time. However, until the hard surfacing of the formal games court and the office building were constructed, the site largely remained open and free of built development. The presence of the office building has reduced the undeveloped qualities of the land, but it is a low structure, the scale of which hunkers down behind the curtilage listed wall. This ensures that the height and design of the wall remain prominent within its immediate surroundings.
28. The mature planting between the site and Dalton House reduces the visibility between them and from surrounding streets. I am mindful that vegetation is ephemeral and, in any event, the House can still be appreciated over the wall and planting, across the site, as it was when the two walls were in situ to a similar height. The front façade and roof of the building, as well as the individual elements of the flank wall of the eastern wing and its roof form above are also all prominent.
29. The site and its relationship to the east of the house is also prominent in views from surrounding streets, including Catherine Street, Gombards and Folly Lane. The scale of existing development within the site and its undeveloped qualities thereafter therefore form an integral part of the setting of Dalton House. Together with the formal entrance courtyard to the front of the House, the site and the trees situated within it provide a verdant setting which emphasises the

importance and landmark qualities of the House, which contributes to its understanding and significance, including its phasing and history. However, given the principal relationship of the separately listed wall, gates and piers with the House, the curtilage listed wall and the site make a more limited contribution to the setting of that building.

30. The site is situated within Character Area 7k⁸ of the CA, which is close to the city centre. The CACS for the character area suggests that the streets are largely organised in a grid with a north south axis, radiating from Catherine Street and Folly Lane, in order to take advantage of level ground. The buildings are generally residential in character and arranged into pairs and terraces of houses situated close to the street, but Catherine Street is a secondary shopping street, comprised of small retail units.
31. The significance of the CA is principally derived from the contribution made by the architectural and townscape quality of the buildings and spaces within. This is perhaps best illustrated by the exceptionally high proportion of buildings that are locally listed in the character area and the coherent use of brick in their construction. Dalton House forms the centrepiece of the character area, as it is the most imposing and architecturally significant building and the prominence of historic boundary wall enclosures brings great variety to the street scene.
32. I accept that the site is not open but it is, for the most part, undeveloped and the low scale of the existing office building within the site maintains open outlook from nearby streets above the curtilage listed wall and across the site, particularly toward Dalton House. The undeveloped qualities of remainder of the site, beyond the office building, also maintain the historical physical separation between the House and the humbler terraced housing in Dalton Street. The prominent location of the appeal site and the open views available across it; the notable length and design of the curtilage listed wall; and the height, visual prominence and aesthetic value of the trees within the site, all make positive contributions to the character and appearance of the CA and, thereby, its understanding and significance.

Effect of the proposal on the setting and significance of the listed buildings, and character and appearance of the St Albans Conservation Area

33. The proposed two-storey mass of the terrace would be sited further from Catherine Street than the 2019 appeal scheme so would provide greater visibility across the southeast corner of the site. Nevertheless, the proposal would still significantly and permanently erode the well-preserved open views across the site above the wall and office building and irrevocably divorce Dalton House from land historically associated with its grander setting, that which separates it from the humbler townscape to the east. Dalton House would therefore no longer dominate the northern frontage of Catherine Street between Dalton Street and Normandy Road and would be situated behind the new houses situated within the humbler townscape east of it. The physical presence and prominence of the proposed built development would therefore be harmful to the setting of Dalton House.
34. The proposed terrace of houses has largely been designed to reflect the architectural characteristics of the existing terraced houses in Dalton Street and would be positioned close to the street like the terrace to the north.

⁸ Folly, Lane, Garden Fields & The Old Hospital

However, the terrace would be significantly deeper than the existing terrace to the north and the scheme considered at appeal in 2019, which incorporated perpendicular rear projections set down from the ridge. The proposed terrace would incorporate a combined roof with a flat top along the position of the ridge. The overall size and scale of the proposal would set it apart from the existing terraces found within the locality, which have a narrower roof span and conventional pitched roof with a ridge. The proposal would therefore appear as a prominent addition to the street scene, which would fail to integrate with the existing terraced houses nearby and would be harmful to the character and appearance of the CA.

35. While a wall would continue to be present along Dalton Street and this would utilise existing brickwork, it would, for the most part, be significantly lower and perforated by multiple entrances to serve the houses. It is also unclear from the application drawings whether the taller section of the wall would match the existing wall. Paragraph 194 of the National Planning Policy Framework (the Framework) advises that significance can be harmed or lost through the alteration or destruction of those assets and that this should have a clear and convincing justification. In this instance, there is no substantive evidence before me to suggest that the wall is in such a state of disrepair that it needs to be demolished. In light of this, I consider that no clear or convincing justification has been advanced for the loss of the built fabric of the curtilage listed wall. The replacement walling would therefore not mitigate against the loss of significance to the listed building that would occur as a result of this historic enclosure being demolished in its entirety.
36. Conversely, given the relationship of the proposal with the separately listed wall, railings and piers, these would continue to be visible through the frontage courtyard of Dalton House and from Catherine Street. The setting of this building would therefore not be harmed by the proposal.
37. Despite my findings in relation to the setting of the listed wall, railings and piers, the proposal would result in the loss of the curtilage listed wall and the erosion of the important outlook across the site and the space around Dalton House. It would also be of a size, scale and siting that would appear discordant in relation to the existing adjacent terrace. The proposed development would therefore have a significantly detrimental effect on the significance and setting of Dalton House and the character and appearance of the CA and, thereby, their understanding and significance as heritage assets.

Effect on trees

38. The trees within the site are annotated on the application drawings, but the standard broadly round annotations do not reflect the varied canopy spread of these trees, particularly as the canopies of the closest eastern Corsica Pine and London Plane trees appear to lean toward and are in closer proximity of the existing office building than presented on the drawings.
39. The extent of the proposed lower ground floor would be increased in order to accommodate patios. This is likely to require significant groundworks within the Root Protection Area (RPA) of the trees. Furthermore, the office building is lower than the canopy of the trees, but there is greater potential for the much taller houses to come into closer contact with the trees.

40. The number of dwellings would be one less than the previous scheme and the garden to Plot 1 would be significantly in excess of that required by the Council's guidance⁹. However, due to additional accommodation to the south of that house, the London Plane trees would dominate its garden, including the patio and the smaller space remaining to the south of the house.
41. I note the findings of Inspector for the 2019 appeal in relation to the northern part of this plot, but the physical arrangement of the proposal is different to the previous scheme with the patio area being at a lower level. This immediately constrains the amount of light that would penetrate into this space and it is likely that it would be in shadow for a large part of the day. I also do not dispute that it is good practice to manage trees, particularly to ensure their health in the long term, and that sensitive works should not compromise the visual amenity of trees, but there are no details before me of the proposed management works or how these could affect the trees.
42. Given the potential risk to the trees and the uncertainty surrounding the nature and extent of works that would be required, I am not persuaded that it would be appropriate to protect against the removal or works to the London Plane trees through a controlling planning condition. In particular, such a condition may be ineffective in the face of pressures from occupiers in respect of nuisance from leaf litter and shadowing or perceived or actual hazards to the houses in high winds. This is one of the principal reasons that buildings, especially residential properties, are not sited in close proximity to trees.
43. Notwithstanding the above, given that the access and driveway proposed to serve the development would be similar to the existing, it is unlikely that there would be any harm caused to the Corsica Pine trees adjacent to it. I am also satisfied that there is sufficient space within the wider site, clear of the trees, to accommodate parking were the spaces closest to the access to the substation required to be maintained clear. The additional risk to trees from these aspects would therefore be limited.
44. Based on the evidence before me, there is a significant prospect that the ground works required to implement the proposal would have a harmful effect on the RPAs and the long-term health and growth potential of the trees within the site. Furthermore, the risk to the trees from potentially harmful works or removal are not just generalised fears but realistic and specific concerns that would harm the character and appearance of the CA and the setting of Dalton House.

Public Benefits and conclusions on the second main issue

45. The statutory duties in Sections 66(1) and 72(1) of the Act are matters of considerable importance and weight. Paragraph 192 of the Framework states that the desirability of sustaining and enhancing the significance of heritage assets and putting them to viable uses consistent with their conservation should be taken into account in determining applications. Paragraph 193 of the Framework also advises that when considering the impact of development on the significance of designated heritage assets, great weight should be given to their conservation. Furthermore, I have already noted the requirements of paragraph 194 above.

⁹ Advice Leaflet 1 (Design and Layout of New Housing) (November 1998).

46. The proposal would be harmful to the special historic interest of the Grade II listed Dalton House, including the loss of its curtilage listed wall and the function that this and the site have within its curtilage and setting; and the character and appearance of the CA, including through the potential loss of trees within the site. This would have a negative effect on the significance of these designated heritage assets. In my view the harm that I have identified, including the potential loss of historic built fabric, would equate to less than substantial harm to the significance of these assets. In such circumstances, paragraph 196 of the Framework identifies that this harm should be weighed against the public benefits of proposals, which includes the securing of optimal viable use of listed buildings.
47. The 2020 HDT results indicate that delivery in the District over the previous three years is 63% of the housing required. While the Council has been able to demonstrate increased delivery from 2019, the appellants have indicated that the Council's five-year supply of deliverable housing land (5YHLS) is no greater than 2.6 years, which the Council do not dispute.
48. The appeal scheme would help to address this significant housing supply deficit and, being a small scheme, with a net provision of three dwellings, it could be built-out relatively quickly. The contribution to the supply and mix of housing would be modest in its extent but, given the magnitude of the Council's 5YHLS deficit, the national requirement to boost the supply of housing, and because the District is constrained by Green Belt, the proposal would help to reduce the pressure for further built incursions on undeveloped, Green Belt land. These would therefore be important social and environmental benefits.
49. The Framework gives substantial weight to the value of using suitable brownfield land within settlements for homes. I also recognise that the proposal could be said to make more efficient use of the site and it would be sited in an accessible location, close to the services and facilities in the city centre. However, the Framework is clear that making efficient use of land should include taking into account the desirability of maintaining an area's prevailing character and the importance of securing well-designed, attractive and healthy places.
50. I appreciate that the proposal would provide improved visibility to the site access, which would be achieved by widening the existing access.
51. The proposed development could provide net gains for biodiversity, through planting of the gardens of the proposed plots but, given the uncertainty surrounding the impact on the trees within the site, it is doubtful whether these environmental benefits would materialise.
52. There would be short-term benefits to the local and wider economy from the direct and indirect employment associated with construction works; and future occupants would be likely to support local services through spending and participation. These would all constitute benefits in social and economic terms but would be limited in scale and kind due to the magnitude of the proposed development.
53. Taking the above together, the public benefits I have outlined above would not justify allowing development that would fail to preserve the special historic interest of the Grade II listed Dalton House, including through loss of its curtilage wall and to its setting, and fail to preserve or enhance the character

and appearance of the St Albans Conservation Area, including the amenity value provided by trees within the site. Therefore, in accordance with paragraphs 193 and 196 of the Framework, considered together, I conclude that the public benefits do not outweigh the great weight to be given to the less than substantial harm that I have identified.

54. I therefore conclude that the proposal would fail to preserve the special historic interest of the listed building, Dalton House, including its setting; and fail to preserve or enhance the character or appearance of the St Albans Conservation Area, including the trees within the site. Hence, the appeal proposal would fail to satisfy the requirements of the Act, paragraphs 192, 193 and 194 of the Framework and conflicts with the landscape and tree preservation, design and heritage aims of Policies 69, 70, 74, 85 and 86 of the Council's Local Plan¹⁰

Planning Balance

55. The Framework states that applications for planning permission should be determined in accordance with the development plan, unless material considerations indicate otherwise. The Framework is a material consideration.
56. The development plan for the area comprises the Council's Local Plan, which predates the current Framework. However, the Framework makes it clear that existing policies should not be considered out-of-date simply because they were adopted or made prior to the publication of the Framework. Due weight should be given to them according to their consistency with the Framework. Other than refer to inconsistencies of the Council's policies with the Framework, the appellants have not identified any specific policies that are affected by the age of the Local Plan.
57. I note that the Framework does not directly refer to the preservation of trees, but it also does not exclude such an approach. Therefore, the Council's policies, particularly Policies 69, 70 and 74 of their Local Plan are not inconsistent with the Framework, which seeks to achieve well-designed places, including with respect to appropriate and effective landscaping. I therefore afford the conflict of the proposal with these policies significant weight.
58. Despite the absence of a balancing exercise in relation to heritage harms in Policies 85 and 86 of their Local Plan, these policies are generally otherwise consistent with the heritage aims of the Framework. However, for this reason, I only afford considerable weight to the conflict of the proposal with these policies.
59. Clearly, given that the Council cannot demonstrate 5YHLS, paragraph 11 of the Framework would be engaged. However, I am mindful that in light of my findings in relation to heritage matters, paragraph 11d) i) of the Framework would apply. Accordingly, as the application of policies in the Framework that protect areas or assets of particular importance provide a clear reason for refusing the proposed development, the presumption in favour of sustainable development does not apply.
60. I have already identified the benefits of the appeal scheme as part of the assessment of public benefits in undertaking the necessary balancing exercise in relation to the heritage asset. Furthermore, the absence of harm in respect of other considerations which comply with the policies of the development plan,

¹⁰ City and District of St Albans District Local Plan Review (Adopted 30 November 1994).

including the principle of the development, would neither weigh for nor against the appeal scheme.

61. In terms of harm, the proposed development would not comply with development plan policy in respect of harm to the special historic interest of the Grade II listed Dalton House, including through loss of its curtilage wall and to its setting, and the character and appearance of the St Albans Conservation Area, including the amenity value provided by trees within the site.
62. Overall, I find that the adverse impacts of the proposal are matters of significant and overriding weight against the grant of planning permission. The proposal would also not amount to sustainable development under the terms of the Framework. Consequently, the proposal would therefore conflict with the development plan and there are no other considerations, including the Framework, that outweigh this conflict.

Conclusion

63. For the reasons given, I conclude that the appeal should not succeed.

Paul Thompson

INSPECTOR