Costs Decision

Site visit made on 24 May 2022

by C Shearing BA (Hons) MA MRTPI

An Inspector appointed by the Secretary of State

Decision date: 20/06/2022

Costs application in relation to Appeal Ref: APP/L5240/W/21/3279454 211 Wickham Road, Croydon CR0 8TG

- The application is made under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, sections 78, 322 and Schedule 6, and the Local Government Act 1972, section 250(5).
- The application is made by Mr A Soora for a full award of costs against the London Borough of Croydon Council.
- The appeal was against the refusal of planning permission for demolishing of ancillary storage outbuilding area attached to the shop situated at the rear garden of 211 Wickham Road CR0 8TG and the erection of a detached building consisting of 1 No, three bedroom 4 Person self-contained unit and 3 Nos, 1 bedroom, 1 Person selfcontained unit.

Decision

1. The application for an award of costs is refused.

Reasons

- Planning Practice Guidance advises that costs may be awarded where a party has behaved unreasonably, and the unreasonable behaviour has directly caused another party to incur unnecessary or wasted expense in the appeal process.
- 3. While the applicant has submitted a claim for costs, there has not been an allegation of unreasonable behaviour, nor has a case been put forward that the expenses that are set out in the claim have been incurred unnecessarily. As a result, I cannot find that unreasonable behaviour resulting in unnecessary or wasted expense to the applicant, as described by the Planning Practice Guidance, has occurred.

Conclusion

4. Consequently, the application for an award for costs is refused.

C Shearing

INSPECTOR