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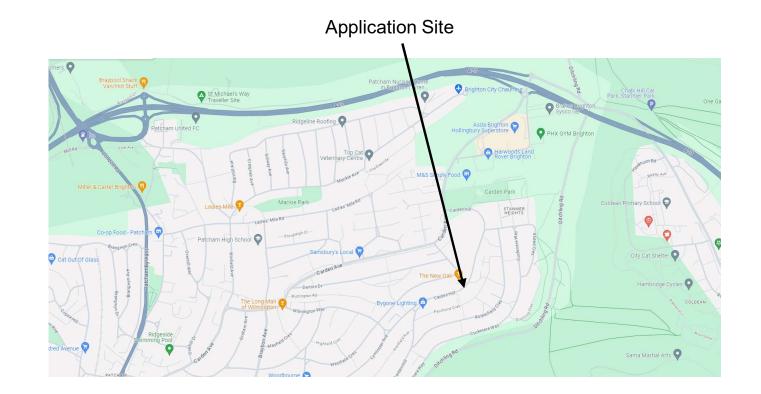


Application Description

 Demolition of existing two storey prefabricated former Library building and the construction of a part three, part four storey residential building providing 9no. flats (C3) with bin and cycle store, Car Club parking and amenity space.

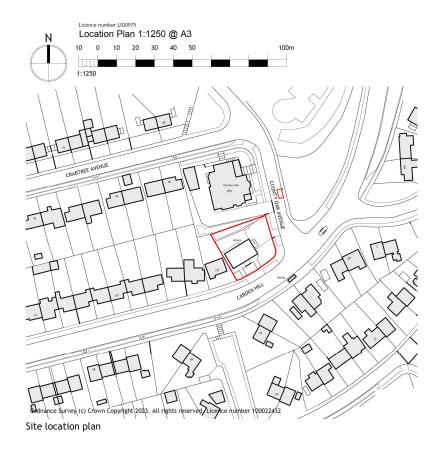


Map of application site





Existing Location Plan





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Proposed Location





Aerial photos of site

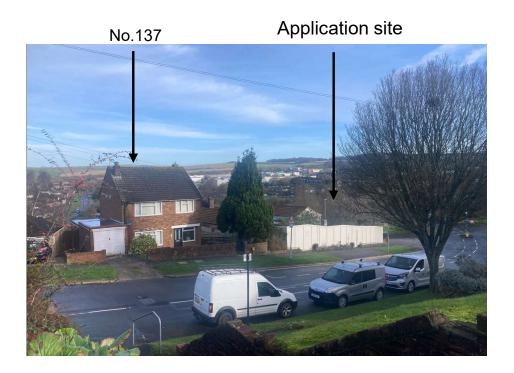




3D Aerial photo of site



Street photos of the site





Images taken from Carden Hill



Other photos of site





Images taken from County Oak Avenue



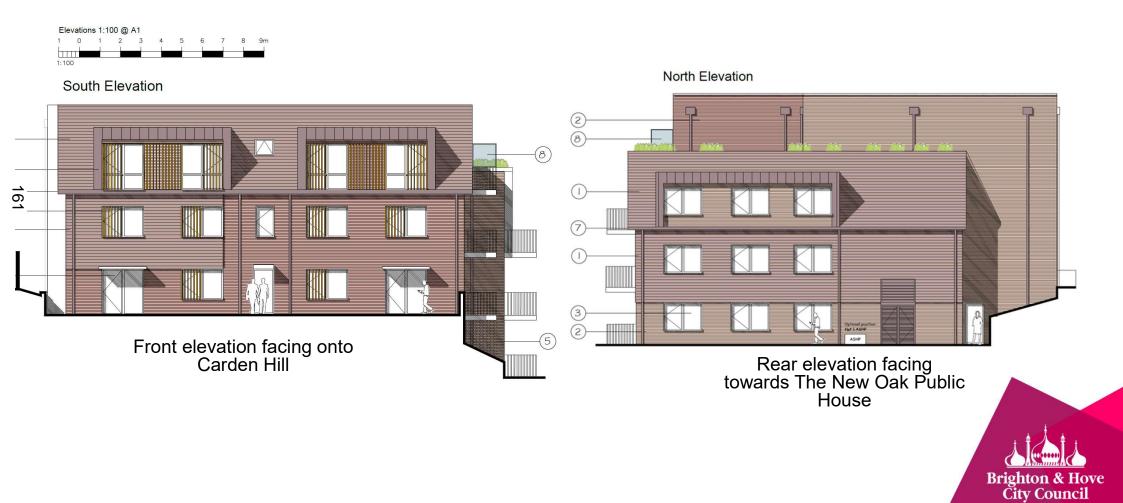
Existing Elevations







Proposed Front and Rear Elevations



Proposed side elevations



Facing onto County Oak Avenue

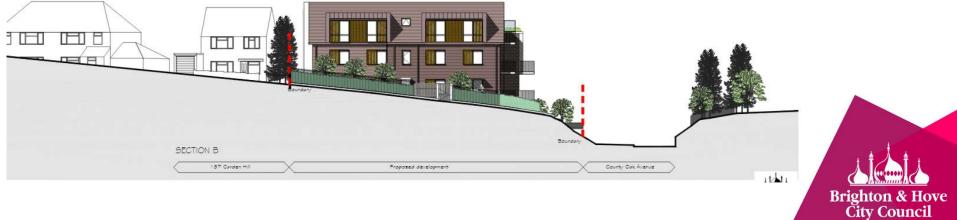


Facing onto No.137 Carden Hill



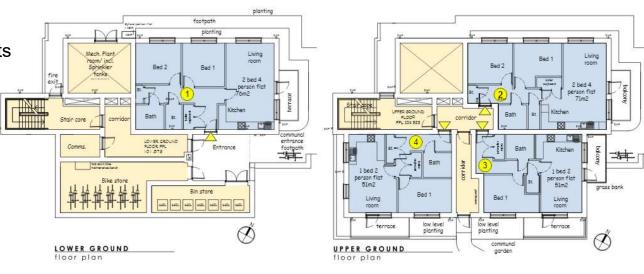
Proposed Contextual Elevations



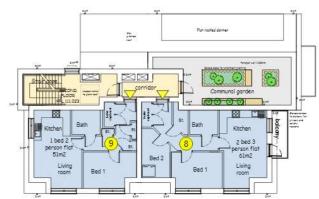


Proposed floor plans

Total: 9no residential units 5 x one-bedroom flats 4 x two-bedroom

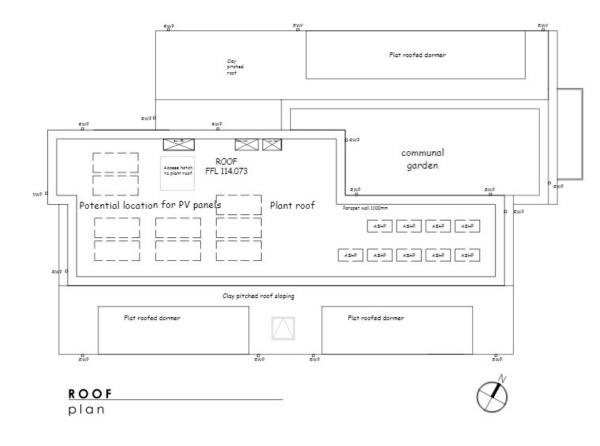








Proposed roof plan





Proposed Visuals





View looking north east from Carden Hill



Elevated corner of Carden Hill and County Oak Avenue





Front view from Carden Hill

Representations

6 Objections:

- Inappropriate height of development
- Overdevelopment of the plot
- Flats are not in keeping with the area
- Overshadowing
- Overlooking from balconies
- Loss of view
- Loss of light
- Highways impact
- Lack of parking
- Disruption during construction
- Loss of existing tree
- Impacts on nature



Key Considerations in the Application

- Principle of development
- Design, character and appearance
- Impact on neighbouring amenity
- Standard of accommodation for future occupiers
- Affordable housing provision
- Highways Impact
- Impacts on ecology and trees



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Head of terms

Affordable Housing

Provision of 20% of the dwellings on site as affordable housing.



Conclusion and Planning Balance

- Existing building is locally listed but lost justified for demolition as not viable to restore.
- Site is allocated for housing, benefits of 9 residential units outweighs the harm from the loss of the existing building.
- Design of the proposals responds positively to the character of the wider area.
- Acceptable standard of accommodation for future occupiers provided.
- No significant harm to the amenities of neighbouring properties.
- Would secure 20% affordable housing (100% provided but can only justify securing a policy-compliant 20%).
- Subject to conditions, the impacts on ecology, trees, drainage and highways is considered acceptable.

Recommend: Minded to Grant

