

Application Number:	2017/1220/RG3
Site Address:	The Lawn, Union Road, Lincoln
Target Date:	27th January 2018
Agent Name:	None
Applicant Name:	Mr Simon Lawson
Proposal:	Installation of sculpture, comprising 5.5m high carved oak pole with quarry stone base

Background - Site Location and Description

The application is for the installation of a sculpture at the Lawn, Union Road. The proposal will be sited within the grassed area to the rear of the buildings, to the south of the car park. The site is located within the Carline Road No. 8 Conservation Area. The Lawn building is grade II* listed.

The sculpture comprises a 5.5m high carved oak pole supported by a 1.5m circular stone base, measuring 5.85m high in total. It was commissioned as part of the Charter of the Forest celebration, by the Woodland Trust and other organisations, marking the Charter for Trees, Woods and People. Lincoln has been nominated to receive the Champion Pole (the sculpture) which is currently being displayed within the grounds of Lincoln Castle and is intended to be moved to its permanent location at The Lawn in March or April this year.

The application is being presented to Members of the Planning Committee as the City Council is the applicant.

Site History

No relevant site history.

Case Officer Site Visit

Undertaken on 16th January 2018.

Policies Referred to

- Policy LP7: A Sustainable Visitor Economy
- Policy LP25: The Historic Environment
- Policy LP26: Design and Amenity
- National Planning Policy Framework

Issues

- Visual Amenity
- Character of the Conservation Area

Consultations

Consultations were carried out in accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement, adopted May 2014.

Statutory Consultation Responses

Consultee	Comment
Highways & Planning	Comments Received
Environmental Health	Comments Received
West End Residents Association	No Response Received
Principal Conservation Officer	No Response Received

Public Consultation Responses

No responses received.

Consideration

Visual Amenity and the Character of the Conservation Area

The principle of siting a sculpture in this location is considered to be acceptable, particularly as it would support the promotion of an event benefiting the visitor economy, in accordance with Central Lincolnshire Local Plan (CLLP) Policy LP7.

Officers have no objection to the scale, design or materials of the sculpture and it is considered that its location within the green space, an area bounded by trees, would be appropriate. It is therefore considered that the proposal would relate well to the site and surroundings and respect the existing landscape, as required by CLLP Policy LP26.

The Council's Principal Conservation Officer has advised that there is no objection to the proposal in terms of the effect on the adjacent Grade II* listed building and it is considered that the character and appearance of the conservation area would be preserved, in accordance with CLLP Policy LP25.

Application Negotiated either at Pre-Application or During Process of Application

No.

Financial Implications

None.

Legal Implications

None.

Equality Implications

None.

Conclusion

The sculpture would support the promotion of an event, benefiting the visitor economy, and would be in an appropriate location, relating well to the site and surroundings. The proposal would also preserve the character of the Carline Road Conservation Area, in accordance with the requirements of Central Lincolnshire Local Plan Policies LP7, LP25 and LP26 and guidance within the National Planning Policy Framework.

Application Determined within Target Date

Yes.

Recommendation

That the application is Granted Conditionally subject to the following conditions:

- Time limit of the permission; and
- Development in accordance with approved plans.