

**Northumberland and Newcastle Society (N&N)  
Planning submissions January 2023 (North Tyneside Council)**

Application Reference	Application Type	Location Details	Proposal
<a href="#">22/02216/FUL</a>	Full Application	Site Of Former West House Grasmere Court Killingworth	New build housing, consisting 22no. units: Mixture of 1 & 2 bed flats, 2 & 3 bed houses with associated car parking and landscaping
<b>Planning Officer</b>	Maxine Ingram		
<b>Comment</b>	<p><b>The Northumberland and Newcastle Society (N&amp;N) supports grant of planning approval for this application subject to the comments below.</b></p> <p>The proposed plans for an infill of much needed social housing in Killingworth makes good use of a currently unused brownfield site. Although the designs are a little bland, they are however, in keeping with many of the properties in the immediate vicinity. It is pleasing to see the use of photovoltaics incorporated into the actual roof structures rather than having to be retro-fitted to a tile or slate roof at a later date. With the addition of air source heat pumps in the proposed specification, these installations will assist the council in reaching their ambitious targets for carbon zero in the borough by 2030.</p> <p>With a focus on environmental issues, the use of permeable paving, installation of a water attenuation system and a sustainable urban drainage system, is to be applauded, however we would like to see at least one tree or sizable shrub planted in all the front gardens facing the estate road. North Tyneside council has for some time been encouraging all residents to plant trees, so it would be an ideal opportunity to include this measure as part of the conditions of approval.</p> <p>Locating house bin stores next to windows seems odd and could be better placed at the rear of the properties. If no side access from rear gardens is available to the front where refuse / recycling collections are made a better solution is provision of neat stores at the front. This is evident locally for people faced with this problem resulting in an inconsistent approach to the quality and security of refuse and recycling material.</p> <p>The high fencing at the rear could also be improve possibly with a mix of brick walling and timber which would probably be more durable. Minor issues apart, we feel that this is a good scheme and would support the application.</p>		
<a href="#">22/02159/FUL</a>	Full Application	Royal Hotel 13 - 17 East Parade Whitley Bay NE26 1AP	Alterations to external finishes incl works to existing dormer, rainwater goods, replacement fenestration, new balconies & uplights, replacement / repair of existing shopfronts / lighting to shopfront columns, new boundary treatments & front landscaping, internal works include separating existing ancillary restaurant from the hotel (change of use to Use Class E)
<b>Planning Officer</b>	Julia Dawson		
<b>Comment</b>	<p><b>The Northumberland and Newcastle Society (N&amp;N) supports grant of planning approval for this application.</b></p> <p>We note the attention to detail applied to this application and we commend the clarity of documents, images and explanation provided. The Society believes this scheme makes significant improvements to the external appearance of the building. Whilst we would like to see provision of green</p>		

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	outside space, permeable surfaces and elements of biodiversity we acknowledge these measures are not apparent in the existing site.
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