

Northumberland and Newcastle Society (N&N)

Planning and Development Team (P&D) Planning comments – May 2024

Application Reference	Application Type	Location Details	Proposal
North Tyneside Council Applications			
24/00455/FULM	Full Application Major	Land South Of Neptune Road Wallsend Tyne And Wear	The construction and operation of a plant for manufacturing green hydrogen. The development would include a main building to house the plant equipment, wastewater treatment plant, hydrogen purification plant, a control room/office, driver welfare facilities, tanks and cooling systems, a new substation and parking facilities
Planning Officer	Rebecca Andison		
Comments	<p>The Northumberland and Newcastle Society (N&N) submits the following comment in respect of this scheme.</p> <p>The Society recognises the importance of the UK's transition to wider use of renewable energy options and equally the need for this region to be placed at the forefront of renewable technologies.</p> <p>Green hydrogen production is likely to make a valuable contribution to the overall mix of sustainable energy options and whilst this technology appears to be in its infancy, nonetheless having this capability on Tyneside is welcome.</p> <p>The proposed site has an existing permission for industrial use and we would expect the scheme to be carefully assessed to reflect its residential and environmental impact.</p>		
24/00618/FUL	Full Application	Former Rosehill Social Club Angle Terrace Wallsend Tyne And Wear NE28 7BQ	Erection of 8 No. affordable 2 & 3 bedroom dwellings with gardens on site of former Rosehill Social club, including access road, parking spaces and landscaped areas
Planning Officer	Rebecca Andison		
Comments	<p>The Northumberland and Newcastle Society (N&N) supports grant of planning approval for this scheme.</p> <p>The Society acknowledges the need for and advocates for provision of good quality affordable housing locally and nationally. We understand this site has been subject of previous applications for preparatory works, given the social club buildings have been redundant and vacant for some time.</p> <p>As a generic principle the Society enthusiastically supports reuse of brownfield sites for residential development and we consider this scheme represents a reasonable and appropriate use accordingly. In view of increased residential use, the scheme should carefully consider parking issues associated with this increase.</p>		

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	We note the proposed dwelling units are of a functional, contemporary design and we would expect the elevational treatment applied to the new buildings to respect the local environment.		
24/00576/LBC	Listed Building Consent	Grand Hotel Grand Parade Tynemouth Tyne And Wear NE30 4ER	Remodelling of existing function suite on first floor to 5no. hotel rooms including two family suites
24/00575/FUL	Full Application	As above	As above
Planning Officer	Rebecca Andison		
Comments	<p>The Northumberland and Newcastle Society (N&N) submits the following comment in respect of this scheme.</p> <p>The Society acknowledges the rationale for this scheme in adding accommodation units to the building which is an existing, established hotel. Given the status of the building as a prominent, valued designated heritage asset we would expect historic fabric to be treated with great care and respect in facilitating this scheme.</p>		
24/00508/FUL	Full Application	St Pauls Church Hall Kings Drive Whitley Bay Tyne And Wear NE26 2JT	Change of use from existing commercial unit into 1no. 5 bedroom residential dwelling. Demolition of low significance volume to the rear of the existing building to create new amenity and external garden spaces. Associated upgrades to external landscaping. Introduction of new rooflights, refurbishment and replacement of existing windows
Planning Officer	Julia Dawson		
Comments	<p>The Northumberland and Newcastle Society (N&N) submits the following comments in respect of this scheme.</p> <p>The Society notes this building has been subject of previous repurposing and as a generic principle we enthusiastically support the conversion of vacant commercial buildings for residential use. Whilst we generally oppose demolition of structurally sound buildings, we do recognise this can be justified where compelling grounds exist and the demolition is proportionate to the outcome, we believe this is such a case.</p> <p>St Pauls Church Hall is not a designated heritage asset, however it is a building of historic significance and this is acknowledged within the detailed application. We welcome the applicant's appreciation of the qualities of this building and the detail presented within the application. Part 1 of the design and access statement (D&A) helpfully shows photographic images of different elevations, however it appears the views are not correctly referenced and this is confusing.</p>		