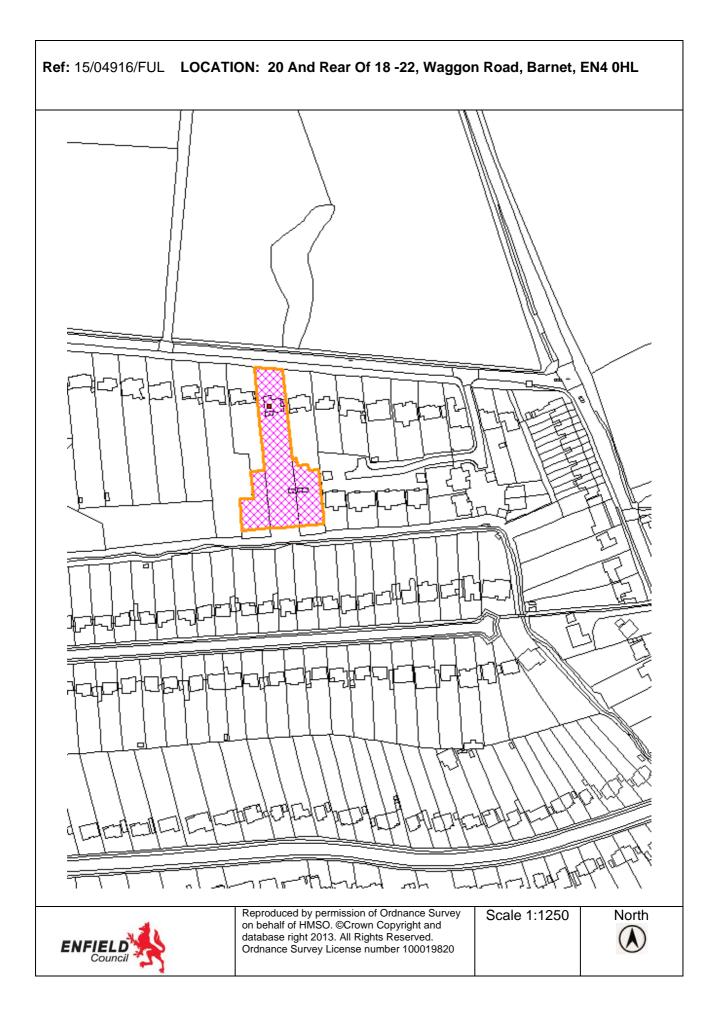
PLANNING COMMITTEE			Date: 19 December 2017	
<b>Report of</b> Assistant Director, Regeneration & Planning	<b>Contact Officer</b> Andy Higham David Gittens Kate Perry Tel: (		9 3853	Ward: Cockfosters
<b>Ref:</b> 15/04916/FUL			Category: Full Application	
LOCATION: 20 And Rear O	f 18 - 22, Waggon	Road,	Barnet, EN4 (	DHL
	ng houses with atta	ached g	arages and ro	house to provide 4 x 6-bed oms in roof, new access road received April 2017.
Applicant Name & Address: John Wood 20 Waggon Road Barnet EN4 0HL		Agent Name & Address: Drummond Robson 41 Fitzjohn Avenue Barnet EN5 2HN		
ADDENDUM: It is recommended that plann an appropriate s106	ing permission be	GRANT	ED subject to	conditions and the signing of
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## 1. Background

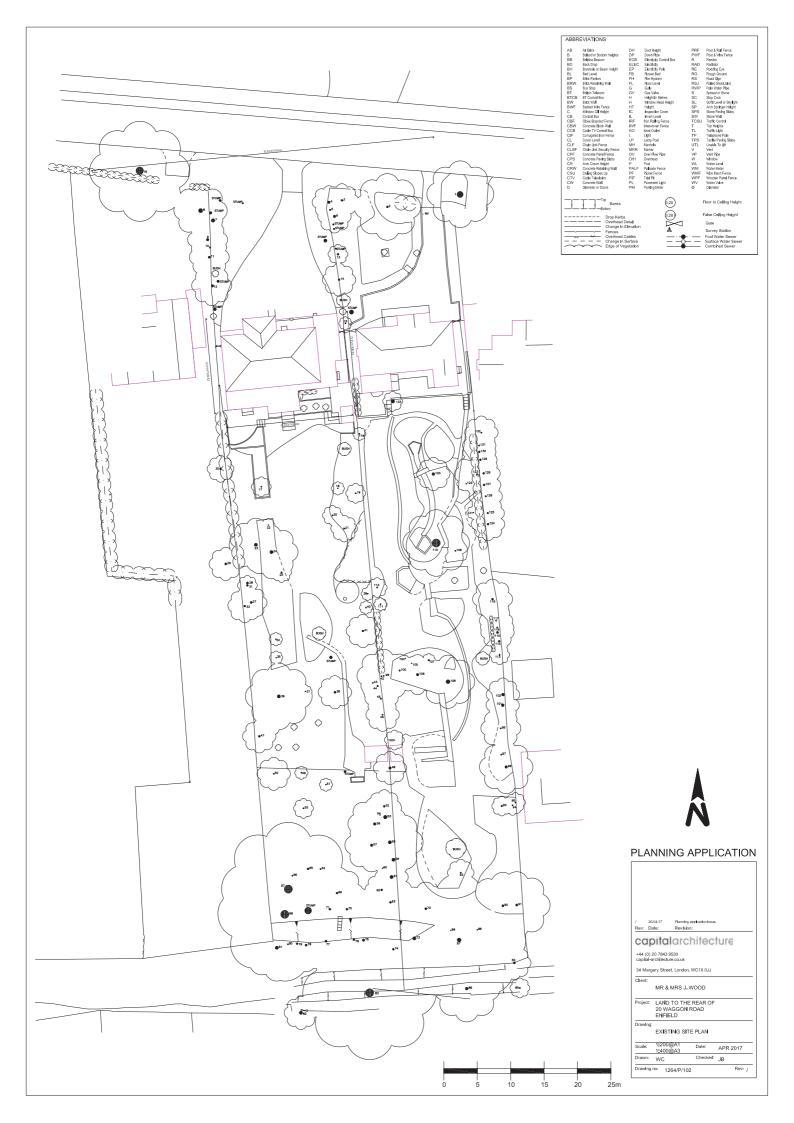
- 1.1 This application was originally reported to a meeting of the Planning Committee on 27 June 2017. At that meeting members resolved to defer the decision as they were concerned that the proposed development to provide 4 additional dwellings was to make no contribution towards Affordable Housing. The application was considered acceptable in all other respects. This update seeks to further explore the issues raised in relation to Affordable Housing.
- 1.2 Since the committee meeting the Council has had a further independent review of the applicants' Viability Statement paying particular regard to the existing land value and how it correlates to the ability of any scheme to comply with the Council's adopted policies including the Councils s106 SPD and the Mayoral / Council CIL. No additional information has been provided by the applicant and they confirmed that they wished their original viability document to be re-considered.
- 1.3 The review was undertaken by BPS Chartered Surveyors in October 2017, and provides an update to their first review of June 2016. The October review calculates that, based on the s106 SPD, an affordable housing contribution of £544,732 plus a 5% monitoring fee is applicable. However, they concur with the applicants' viability review that due to anticipated exceptional costs associated with the development (including the provision of an access road and the purchase of neighbouring land) the scheme cannot viably make any contribution. They note that according to the Viability Statement the proposal is in fact set to make a loss of £277,849 without providing a contribution to Affordable Housing.
- 1.4 It is considered that the remaining outstanding issue is the unknown costs involved in purchasing parts of the neighbouring gardens which are yet to be agreed. The viability assessment suggests a cost of £600,000 for the purchasing of the adjacent land on which this scheme depends. Whilst this figure is considered appropriate by BPS, they suggest it is likely to be the minimum cost.
- 1.5 However, no actual agreements in respect of this purchase have been made and therefore it is very difficult to place a precise figure on it. It is recognised that residual valuations are highly sensitive to changes in costs and values over time. In light of this it is recommended that the council should seek agreement to a deferred contributions mechanism, based on outturn costs and values, so that if improvements in viability result in a profit surplus being generated, this can trigger the payment of affordable housing contributions. This can be secured through a s106 agreement and would ensure that a contribution would be made (in line with the aims and objectives outlined in the National Planning Policy Framework 2012, Policy 8.2 of the London Plan 2016, Policy CP46 of the Enfield Core Strategy 2010, Policy DMD2 of the

Enfield Development Management Document 2014 and the Enfield s106 SPD) should a viable profit be generated from the proposals.

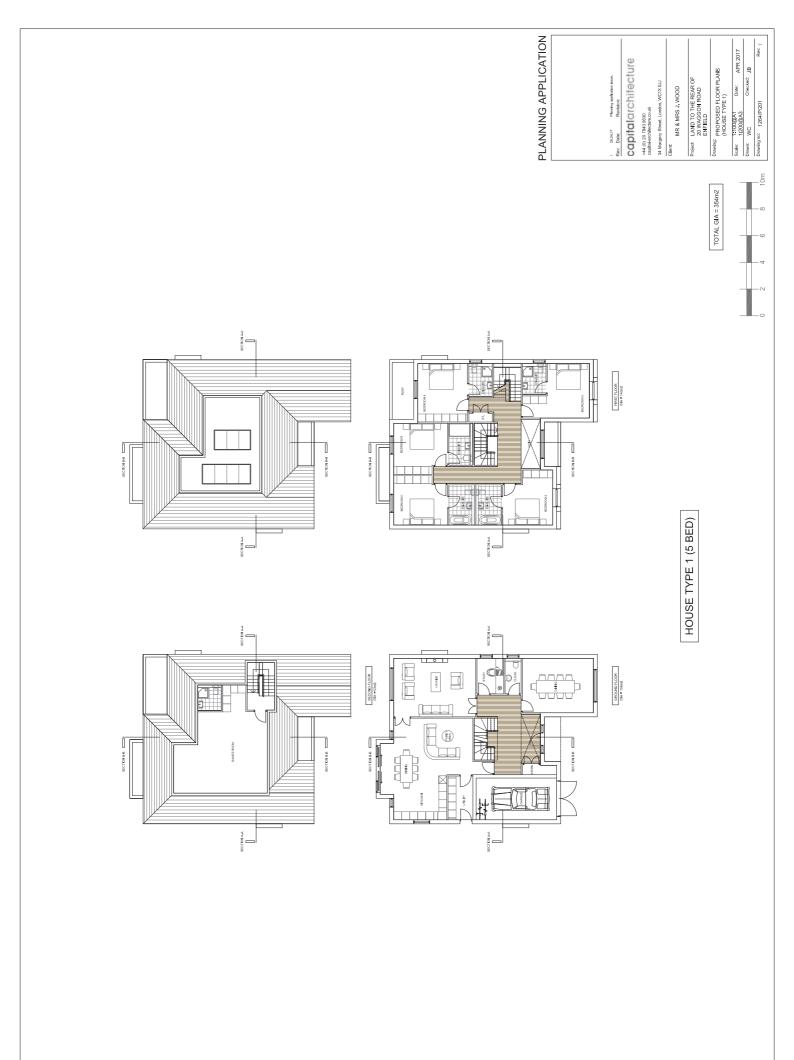
1.6 Given that the second viability review has not suggested a change in approach, Officers consider it appropriate to pursue this course of action and maintain the recommendation to grant planning permission as recommended when the application was reported to the Planning Committee in June 2017.

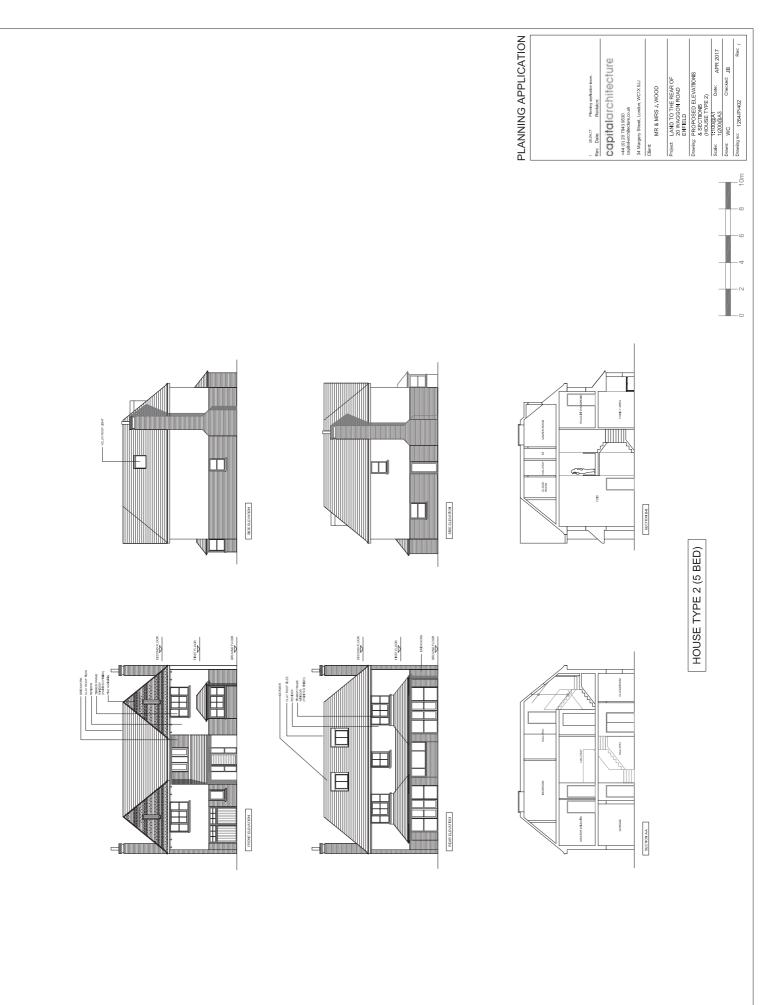
## 2. Recommendation

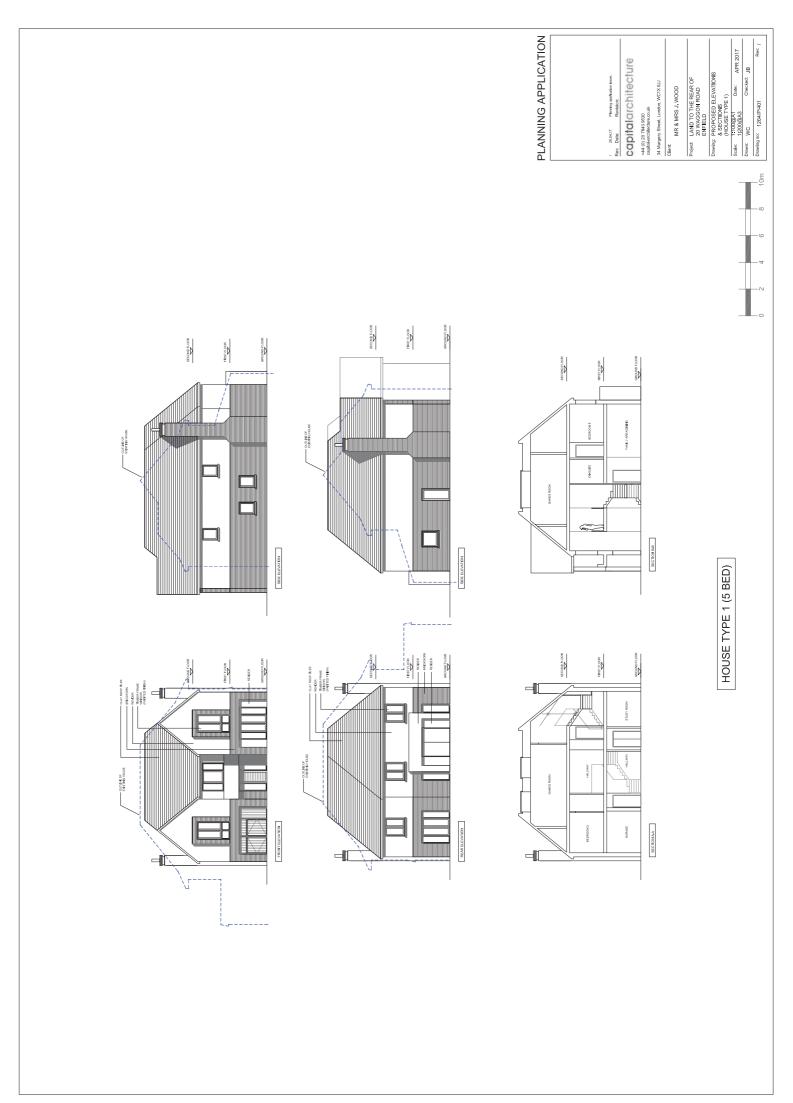
2.1 That planning permission be granted **GRANTED** subject to the conditions in the earlier report, and the signing of an appropriate s106.





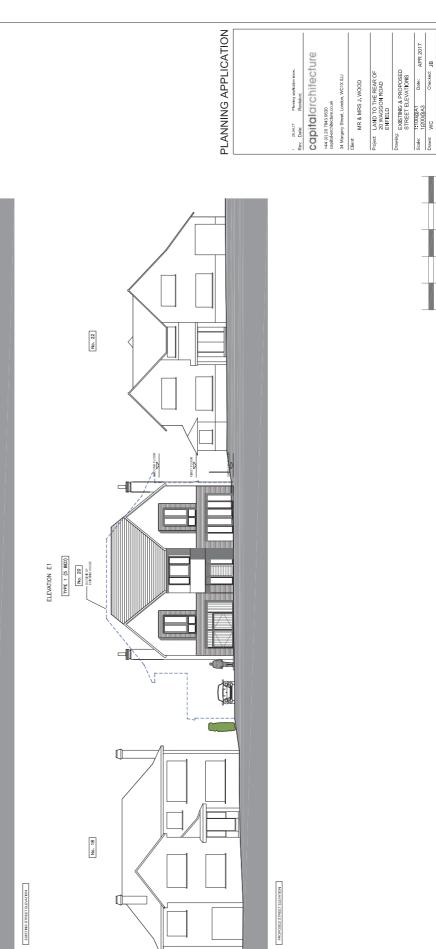










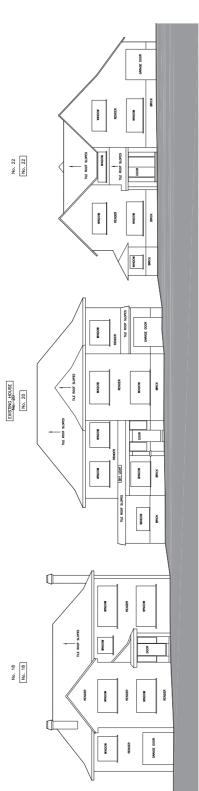


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