LONDON BOROUGH OF ENFIELD Date: 23rd February 2021 PLANNING COMMITTEE **Contact Officer:** Report of Ward: Andy Higham Head of Planning **David Gittens Enfield Highway** James Clark Ref: 20/03211/RE4 Category: Full Planning Application LOCATION: Durants Park, Hertford Road, Enfield, EN3 7ED **PROPOSAL:** Full planning application a flood alleviation scheme involving diversion of water flow from existing surface water sewer to new wetland area in south-eastern corner of the park; excavation works to create wetland basins, retention of resultant spoil on site to create raised wildflower meadows to north of the wetlands together with provision of footpath and amenity area.

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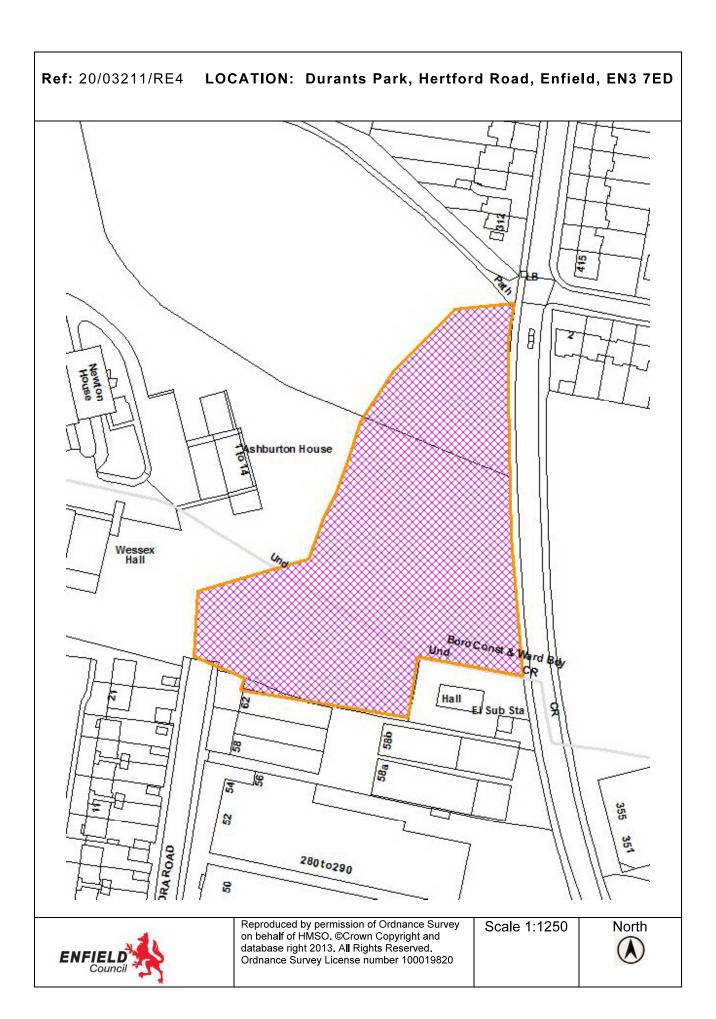
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See applicant details

RECOMMENDATION:

That in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992, planning permission be deemed GRANTED subject to the following conditions.

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1.0 Note for Members

1.1 The application is reported to the Planning Committee because the applicant for the development is the Council and in accordance with the scheme of delegation, is reported to the Planning Committee for determination.

2.0 Recommendation:

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Informative

Written schemes of investigation will need to be prepared and implemented by a suitably qualified professionally accredited archaeological practice in accordance with Historic England's Guidelines for Archaeological Projects in Greater London. This condition is exempt from deemed discharge under schedule 6 of The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015.

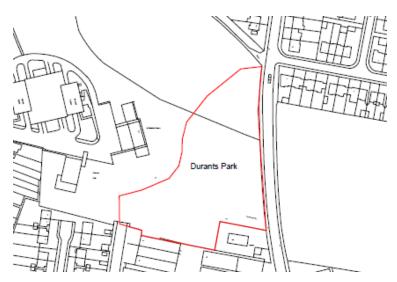
3.0 Executive Summary:

- 3.1 The report seeks approval for a flood alleviation scheme involving a 0.85 hectare portion of Durants Park adjacent to the eastern boundary of the Exeter Estate. The scheme includes flood storage areas, a new footpath and a revised landscape appearance.
- 3.2 The proposed flood alleviation scheme involves the diversion of water flow from existing surface water sewer to new wetland area in south-eastern corner of the park; excavation works to create wetland basins, retention of resultant spoil on site to create raised wildflower meadows to north of the wetlands together with provision of footpath and amenity area
- 3.3 The principle reasons for recommending approval are.

- i) To prevent flash flooding via retaining of surface water runoff on site and filtering pollutants from road services
- ii) To deliver Improvements to biodiversity and the landscaping of this section of Durants Park, through the planting of new tress and wildflower meadows.
- iii) To benefits current and future users of the site, with particular reference to residents of the Exeter Estate, adjacent to the site and a new pedestrian path be constructed to provide better connectivity to Alma Road from the Exeter estate.

4.0 Site and Surroundings:

- 4.1 Durants Park is located in the north east of the borough to the east of Hertford road and to the west of the Brimsdown Railway Line. The area of Durants Park, the subject of this planning application, is 0.85 hectares located to the extreme south-east of the park, flanked to the east by Alma Road, Alexandra Road and industrial units to the south, Exeter Road estate to the west and parkland to the north.
- 4.2 The site is designated Metropolitan Open land, Local Open Space and a local heritage asset consistent with the rest of the wider Park. The site is not within a designated Flood Zone but is within a medium to high surface water risk area.
- 4.3 The site has no structures and is not actively use, proving an area of wild grass, with a light tree covering to the north and south of the site. The location plan and aerial images below illustrates the site.





5.0 Proposal:

- 5.1 The proposal involves the creation of a flood alleviation scheme involving the diversion of water flow from the existing surface water sewer to a new wetland area in south-eastern corner of the park; excavation works to create wetland basins, retention of resultant spoil on site to create raised wildflower meadows to north of the wetlands together with provision of footpath and amenity area. In more detail:
 - Divert flow from a surface water sewer which currently flows through the southern boundary of the park
 - Formation of three wetland cells covering an area of 1300m2 store
 - Approximately around 3000m3 of flood water
 - New Footpath
 - Treat diffuse urban pollution from surface runoff
 - Enhance landscaping and diversity, creating varied habitats

6.0 Relevant Planning History:

6.1 No planning or enforcement history exists on site

7.0 Consultation:

Public Response

7.1 Consultation letters were sent to 172 neighbouring properties (21 days expired 31st October 2020) and a press advert was placed in the local newspaper (12/10/2020). A site notice was also displayed adjacent the site on the

22/10/2020. In response, one comment has been received raising an objection to the development, the concerns of which are summarised below:

- This area has Japanese knotweed, which has been registered and at this time being treated with a chemical spray, which seems after first and second treatment it is still producing shoots and leaves.



Statutory and Non-Statutory Consultees:

7.2 <u>Internal Consultations:</u>

7.2.1 Transportation & Transport

No objection

7.2.3 Environmental Health

 No objection subject to application of conditions to contamination, monitor dust and other potential disturbance resulting form works.

7.3 External Consultees

7.3.1 Metropolitan Police – Secure by Design

No objection

7.3.2 Sport England

- No Objection,

7.4 Officer comments

The consultees are supportive of the development and provide no objection to the scheme subject to application of appropriate conditions.

8.0 Relevant Policies

8.1 NPPF (Adopted February 2019)

| Section 8 | Promoting healthy and safe communities Para 96-101 |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| Section 14 | Meeting the Challenge of Climate Change flooding and coastal |
| | Change, Para 155-163 |
| Section 15 | Conserving and enhancing the natural environment, |
| | Para 174-177 |

8.2 <u>London Plan (2016)</u>

| Policy 2.18 | Green Infrastructure: the multi-functional network of Green and open spaces |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Policy 3.2 | Improving health and addressing health inequalities |
| Policy 5.12 | Flood Risk Management |
| Policy 5.13 | Sustainable drainage |
| Policy 6.10 | Walking |
| Policy 7.2 | An inclusive development |
| Policy 7.3 | Designing out crime |
| Policy 7.4 | Local character |
| Policy 7.8 | Heritage assets and archaeology |
| Policy 7.17 | Metropolitan Open space |
| Policy 7.18 | Protecting open space and addressing deficiency |
| Policy 7.19 | Biodiversity and access to nature |
| Policy 7.21 | Trees and woodlands |
| Policy 7.30 | London's canals and other rivers and waterspaces |

8.3 The London Plan – "Publication" (December 2020)

Following an Examination in Public into the submission version of the Plan and modifications, in December 2019 the Mayor published his Intend to Publish London Plan. On 13 March 2020, the Secretary of State issued Directions to change a number of proposed policies.

In response, the Mayor sent a letter to the Secretary of State on 9 December advising that he intends to approve a new draft London Plan on 21st December and send to the Secretary of State shortly after. The Mayor has advised that this will be a new, stand-alone publication version of the Plan and has been prepared to address the Secretary of State's previous directions.

The Secretary of State has 6 weeks in which to respond (or can request a further extension of time). The Mayor can only publish the Plan after the Secretary of State has given his approval.

The Secretary of State sent a response to the Mayor on 10 December confirming amendments to the original 11 directions issued in March 2020 and issuing 2 further directions. He also invited to the Mayor to re-submit the London Plan to

him. The Mayor has sent the Secretary of State the Publication London Plan December 2020.

The Secretary of State has up to 6 weeks to decide whether he is content for the Mayor to formally publish the Publication London Plan (or request a further extension of time) Once the Mayor has formally received confirmation from the Secretary of State that he is content for his Publication London Plan to be published, the Mayor will proceed with the final steps to publish his London Plan.

In line with paragraph 48 of the NPPF, the weight attached to this Plan should reflect the stage of its preparation; the extent to which there are unresolved objections to relevant policies; and the degree of consistency of the relevant policies in the emerging Plan to the NPPF.

Whilst the published London Plan (2016) remains part of Enfield's Development Plan, given the advanced stage that the Intend to Publish version has reached, significant weight can be attached to it in the determination of planning applications (although there is greater uncertainty about those draft policies that are subject to the Secretary of State's Direction). The following policies are considered particularly relevant:

| GG1 | Building | Strong a | and Inclusiv | e Communities |
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- GG2 Making the Best Use of Land
- GG3 Creating a Healthy City
- D2 Infrastructure Requirements for Sustainable Densities
- D4 Delivering good Design
- D5 Inclusive Design
- D8 Public realm
- D11 Safety, security and resilience to emergency
- G6 Biodiversity and access to nature
- G7 Trees
- SI1 Improving air quality
- SI5 Water Infrastructure
- SI12 Flood Risk Management
- SI13 Sustainable Drainage

8.4 Core Strategy

| CP11 | Recreation, leisure, culture and Arts |
|------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CP21 | Delivering sustainable water supply, drainage and sewerage infrastructure |
| CP28 | Managing Flood Risk through development |
| CP29 | Flood Management Infrastructure |
| CP30 | Maintaining and improving the quality of the built and open environment |
| CP34 | Parks, Playing fields and other open spaces |
| CP35 | Lee Valley Regional Park and Waterways |
| CP36 | Biodiversity |

| DMD 37 | Achieving high quality and design-led development |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| DMD 44 | Conserving and Enhancing Heritage assets |
| DMD 59 | Avoiding and reducing Flood Risk |
| DMD 60 | Assessing Flood Risk |
| DMD 61 | Managing surface water |
| DMD 62 | Flood Control and Mitigation Measures |
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| DMD 71 | Protection and enhancement of Open space |
| DMD 72 | Open Space provision |
| DMD 76 | Wildlife Corridors |
| DMD 79 | Ecological Enhancements |
| DMD 80 | Trees on development sites |
| DMD 81 | Landscaping |
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8.6 Other Relevant Policy and Guidance

National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) Enfield's Local Flood Risk Management Strategy (2016). Heritage Strategy SPD

9.0 Assessment

- 9.1 The main considerations of the development are the following,
 - Principle of flood mitigation measures
 - Impact on the character and landscape of Durants Park

Principle of Flood Mitigation Measures:

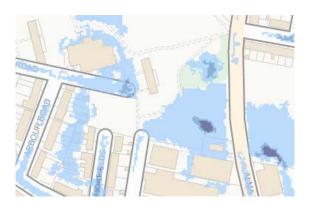
9.2 The adopted NPPF (February 2019) provides strategic guidance on the provision and need of flood defences especially in light of climate change. Paragraphs 149 of the NPPF states:

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9.3 Paragraphs 155 to 165 of the NPPF principally deal with new development and the implications to flood risk of the site. Local plan policies CP28 (Core Strategy) and Policies DMD 59 and DMD 60 (Development Management Document)

- provide defined guidance relating to retro-fit changes to a landscape to protect existing built development from flooding.
- 9.4 The location has been identified for wetland development on account of the highly urbanised nature of the catchment area and the suitability for wetland development. The site is already within a medium to high risk of surface water flooding and current provides limited amenity value. The wetland would have multiple benefits of diverting surface water from the surface sewage system, preventing flash flooding within the location, providing enhanced biodiversity and creating a visually attractive setting for existing residents.
- 9.5 In addition, the wetlands would also provide an environment to deal naturally with pollutants from vehicles which build up on the roads and are washed into the surface water network. Wetlands filter runoff, breaking down pollutants and help to improve the quality of surface water discharging into rivers.





9.6 In summary, the proposed wetland scheme is small scale but would provide 3000m² of water capture capacity to reduce flooding and provide notable other benefits to the site.

Impact on the character and landscape of Durants Park:

- 9.7 The site is located in the south-eastern corner of Durants Park and is largely residue land with limited value beyond retaining open character to the location. Light mature tree coverage is apparent but ultimately the site would benefit from an uplift in its appearance together with a new pathway connecting the Exeter Road Estate to Alma Road, permitting greater connectivity to the eastern segment of the park.
- 9.8 No trees would be lost as part of the wetland development and only modest land reformation changes would be undertaken on site. However, the wetland would introduce seven (7) new trees to the site, wildflower meadows and native water borne plants.

9.9 In conclusion, the landscaping works to facilitate the wetlands scheme is supported as they will provide an attractive and visually interesting Parkland area with the encouragement of a wider level of biodiversity on site. There is a good level of detail in the planning application including levels throughout the site. However, it is considered that conditions are required securing further landscaping details new lighting for security on the pathway throughout the park.

Amenity:

9.10 It is considered the scheme would have no discernible impact on the amenities of surrounding residential and commercial propoerties which lie adjacent to the site. The site is already open with no forms of enclosure. No fencing or enclosure is proposed as part of the wetland development retaining unfettered access.

Biodiversity

The applicant had submitted a Biodiversity Report (Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (Comprising an extended Phase 1 Habitat) prepared by GS Ecology). The report concludes the site is predominantly amenity grassland, park with limited scope of species. It also acknowledges the proposed wetland will create new wildlife friendly habitats within this particular section of Durants park. The proposal will therefore have a significant benefit for biodiversity in the location.

Miscellaneous

- 9.11 The wetland development would deposit excavated soil within the site area to create partially raised areas and undulating landscape. In order to ensure that the soil is suitable for reuse a condition has been attached requiring samples to be taken to confirm no contamination and that the soil it is suitable for reuse. In this regard, Durants Park has not been used recently or historically for industry of any kind, nevertheless, as a precaution such a condition is considered applicable to the development.
- 9.12 The applicant has also submitted a construction management plan (CMP) to confirm how the wetlands shall be serviced during construction in terms of storage and comings and goings of heavy machinery and vehicles.. More detail is required, pertaining to onsite storage, wheel washing locations and primary entry and exits to the site (assumed to be from Alma Road). A condition to secure these additional details is recommended and it is felt this will minimise disruption. The Construction Management Plan (CMP) will need to be written in accordance with the Mayor of London's supplementary planning guidance and shall be required prior to commencement of development. The CMP shall also include but not limited to 'the Control of Dust and Emissions During Construction' detailing how dust and emissions will be managed during the construction work

10.0 Conclusion

10.1 The merits and special significance of the development to prevent future flooding of residential properties and subsequently provide a rich biodiversity environment open to the local community have bene considered and the proposal is

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For the duration of the works the vibration level generated from piling operations on any site shall be monitored on a continuous basis using a suitable accelerometer. The peak particle velocity level generated from piling activities shall not exceed 1mm/s at the foundations of the nearest residential premises. Results of the highest daily measured peak particle velocity shall be recorded and forwarded to the Pollution, Licensing & Planning Enforcement Team at the end of each working week.

Informative

Written schemes of investigation will need to be prepared and implemented by a suitably qualified professionally accredited archaeological practice in accordance with Historic England's Guidelines for Archaeological Projects in Greater London. This condition is exempt from deemed discharge under schedule 6 of The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015.

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This planning statement is submitted in support of the planning application for Durants Park Wetlands.



Figure 1: Plan showing the location of the proposed wetlands within Durants Park

Background

Durants Park and the surface water sewers which flow through it sit within the Salmons Brook catchment. This is characterised as a highly urbanised catchment with a large proportion of impermeable areas generating runoff and hence a rapid or 'flashy' response to rainfall. Using constructed wetlands to manage surface water flood risk was highlighted in Enfield's Local Flood Risk Management Strategy (2016).

Several constructed wetlands schemes have been delivered by Enfield Council's Watercourses Team across the borough, such as Firs Farm, Town Park and Broomfield Park. Due to the highly urbanised nature of the catchment, pollutants from vehicles build up on the roads and are washed into the surface water network. Wetlands filter runoff, breaking down pollutants and helping to improve the quality of surface water discharging into rivers.

Enfield Council's Watercourses Team are proposing to construct a wetland in the south-east corner of Durants Park (see figure 1). The area of park where wetland features are proposed is currently open grassland.

Proposal

The proposed wetland will divert flow from a surface water sewer which

currently flows through the southern boundary of the park. The proposals will consist of three wetland cells covering an area of $1300m^2$ and will store around $3000m^3$ of flood water, the plans also include footpaths and an amenity area.

Constructed wetlands manage surface water runoff, helping to treat diffuse urban pollution and provide flood storage. The Durants Park proposals will greatly improve the amenity value of this area of the park and enhance biodiversity by creating varied habitats.

Consultations

A feasibility study has been conducted for this site. This included geological investigations, archeologically investigations, and utility searches and identification.

In addition, the designs have been guided by arboricultural, biodiversity and hydraulic considerations and are due to be presented to interested parties through further consultation. The design will be agreed with the Parks Operations team prior to finalisation.

Landscaping Works

To minimise financial costs, and also the environmental impact of the scheme on surrounding areas, it is proposed to re-use most of the excavated material within Durants Park. Some of this material will be used to landscape areas to the north of the wetlands, creating raised wildflower meadows. Drawing LBE142-001 RevA provides further information relating to the proposed earthworks.

