

**07/01296/FUL:** CONSTRUCTION OF MONUMENT TO COMMEMORATE WAR DEAD AT THE GREEN, THORNEY, PETERBOROUGH  
**VALID:** 28 AUGUST 2007  
**APPLICANT:** MR R S JARY  
**AGENT:** ABO (STRUCTURAL) LTD  
**REFERRED BY:** CLLR SANDERS  
**REASON:** VISUAL IMPACT  
**DEPARTURE:** NO

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## **1 SUMMARY/OUTLINE OF THE MAIN ISSUES**

The main considerations are:

- The siting, scale and design of the proposed memorial
- The impact on the Conservation Area and surrounding Listed Buildings

The Head of Planning Services recommends that the application is APPROVED.

## **2 BACKGROUND**

Members will recall that this matter was reported to the meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2007 when Members resolved to defer the matter to allow time for the Parish Council to carry out further public consultation. This covering report sets out the results of the public consultation. The original report is attached as Appendix 1.

## **3 UPDATE**

The Parish Council sent a questionnaire around the village which secured 236 responses, of which 145 were in favour of the proposal and 91 against. The proposal was discussed again by the Parish Council when the principle and alternative locations were discussed, but the strength of feeling by the Parish is that a further memorial is appropriate for those people who are not religious.

Since the previous report, the status of some of the policies in the Local Plan has changed and as such Members will note that reference to policy DA3 has been omitted from the recommendation.

## **4 CONCLUSIONS**

There is clearly a substantial body of opposition to this proposed memorial within the village; however there is a larger body of support, not least of which is the Parish Council, who own the site.

The fundamental planning issue here is whether this memorial will be detrimental to the character or amenity of the area, or the setting of the nearby listed buildings.

For the reasons given in the previous report, officers consider that the design, function and materials are appropriate in this setting and thus the proposal complies with Policies DA1, DA2, DA9, T1, CBE3 and CBE7 of the Peterborough Local Plan (First Replacement).

The Head of Planning Services recommends that this application is APPROVED subject to the following conditions:

- C1 The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.**  
Reason: In accordance with the provisions of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).
- C2 No development shall take place until samples of the stone and paving set materials to be used in the construction of the external surfaces of the monument and paving surround hereby permitted have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.**  
Reason: For the Local Authority to ensure a satisfactory external appearance, in accordance with Policies DA2 of the Peterborough Local Plan (First Replacement).
- C3 No development shall take place until details of the paving layout and the chain link fence hereby permitted have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.**  
Reason: For the Local Authority to ensure a satisfactory external appearance, in accordance with Policies DA2 of the Peterborough Local Plan (First Replacement).
- C4 Notwithstanding the approved plans the proposed plaque shall be positioned on the north elevation and not the west elevation as shown, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.**  
Reason: In the interests of Highway safety, in accordance with Policy T1 of the Peterborough Local Plan (First Replacement).

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