

**Consultation Response from Mike Hibbert,  
KC Waste Strategy( Refuse & Recycling)**

**2023/92633 St Marys Rc Church, Upton Street, Carlinghow, Batley, WF17 8PH**

**Demolition of buildings and erection of residential development (within a Conservation Area)**

**Date Responded:19/02/2024.**

**Responding Officer: Mike Hibbert**

**Responding Ref: WPN 23-70**

#### **NOTES/COMMENTS:**

The following comments are made without prejudice and purely from the point of view of the Waste Collection Authority (WCA). They are intended to help create an environment that functions safely and efficiently for waste management; and reduce the negative impacts of bin blight on the neighbourhood. Addressing these will also enable the proposal to better meet the policy requirements of LP24 part d (vi), LP43 and the Kirklees Highway Design Guide SPD in respect of refuse collection. Ultimately this will be to the benefit both residents and the Authority for the life of the development.

The proposal is for 10 dwellings in two blocks of four dwellings and a block of two dwellings. The applicant has submitted Proposed Site Plan drawing number STC-AHR-00-DR-A-20-003 Rev 1 Dated 20/07/23.

#### **Waste storage and presentation:**

- A bin store is shown to the front of each dwelling. This will be visually intrusive on the Streetscene and will be overlooked, being directly to the front of each house. Preference is for storage of waste bins in rear gardens as there is access along a footpath to the rear of all the properties. The drag out distance from the rear of the dwellings at the centre of the blocks to the bin store location shown on the plan is approximately 25m that follows guidance. For the block at the Eastern end of the site a path would be required adjacent to properties to provide access to the rear and reduce the drag out distance to approximately 25m or a Bin Collection Point could be located adjacent to Upton Street for these properties. For plots where bin storage is in the rear gardens gated access should be shown to be secure, gates wide enough to pass through and the route between the rear gardens and the front access road must not require residents to pull bins up/down gradients of more than 1:12. Alternatively some bin stores could be located against the gable ends of the blocks where the planters are shown on the plan. If this was considered as an option bins must be contained within fire resistant storage containers.
- Space will be required for 3 x 240ltr bins at each property, 1x240ltr Residual, 1x240ltr Recycling and as the properties have gardens the space to store a third bin for garden waste or to accommodate future changes to waste collection due to the implementation of Simpler Recycling legislation. As the proposed dwellings have private gardens, opportunities to encourage composting should be sought to better meet the council's 'clean and green' objectives for waste reduction.

- Guidance indicates the storage footprint for a 240ltrs wheeliebin is 940mm x 780mm with enough room to allow removal of the bin from the storage location. The floor plan for storage must be large enough to accommodate 3 x240ltrs bins for each dwelling.
- There is no indication of space for the presentation of bins on collection day. It is important to ensure that bins do not cause obstruction to pedestrians or other highways users when presented for collection, particularly where space requires these to be left in clusters. Bin presentation space should be identified for each plot, on a hard surface and where a refuse collection vehicle (RCV) can be easily reached. If bins are stored in rear gardens the location of the bin stores on the plan could be used as a Bin Collection Points (BCP's).

### Refuse Collection Vehicle access:

The Authority defers to Highways colleagues for technical analysis of the road layout and swept paths in respect of RCV access but offers the following observations in this regard.

- The WCA currently collects from domestic properties on Cemetery Road and North Bank Road. Bin collection points at the front of the properties are accessible from the highway and there are dropped kerbs to provide access for car parking. There should be sufficient room to enable wheeliebins to pass without being blocked in if cars are parked on the drives.
- The Geological report ref J4357/18/E/CRA dated 29/08/2018 on Page 11 shows an alternative site layout plan. This layout would enable storage of wheeliebins in gardens and presentation onto the cul de sac at the rear of each property. The WCA does not routinely access private drives unless they are constructed to adoptable standards and in the case the turning head would have to be sufficient to enable an RCV to manoeuvre within the site.

**Full detailed guidance on waste management requirements can be found in in the [Kirklees Waste Management Design Guide 2020](#) (available on the Planning advice notes page at: <https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-applications/guidance-and-advice-notes.aspx>)**

Waste policy context:

- Local Plan Policy LP24 (part d.vi) and National Planning Policy for Waste (para 8) by –“incorporating adequate facilities to allow occupiers to separate and store waste for recycling and recovery that are well designed and visually unobtrusive and allows for the convenient collection of waste”
- Local Plan Policy LP43 Waste Management Hierarchy “The council will encourage and support the minimisation of waste production and support the re-use and recovery of waste materials including, for example, recycling, composting and Energy from Waste recovery”.
- Local plan Policy LP15 – residential use in town centres part h: provision of refuse storage and collection.
- Scheme design should conform to Building for a Healthy Life (2020); Building Regulations 2010 Part H6; and British Standard 5906:2005 Waste Management in Buildings Code of Practice.

Further advice on Highway matters is contained in the [Kirklees Highway Design Guide SPD](#) which can be found at <https://www.kirklees.gov.uk/beta/planning-policy/adopted-supplementary-planning-documents.aspx>