

Urban Greenspace Supporting Statement

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Client – Uppal

Application Number - 2024/90462 -

Address of Site

53, Heaton Road, Paddock, Huddersfield, HD1 4HZ

Proposal

Change of use to Garden and construction of Garden Room including regrading.

The site

The site is designated as Urban Greenspace on the Kirklees Local Plan. Therefore, the site must be assessed on policy LP61.

Policy LP61 Urban green space Development proposals which would result in the loss of urban green space (as identified on the Policies Map) will only be permitted where: a. an assessment shows the open space is clearly no longer required to meet local needs for open space, sport or recreational facilities and does not make an important contribution in terms of visual amenity, landscape or biodiversity value; or b. replacement open space, sport or recreation facilities which are equivalent or better in size and quality are provided elsewhere within an easily accessible location for existing and potential new users; or c. the proposal is for an alternative open space, sport or recreation use that is needed to help address identified deficiencies and clearly outweighs the loss of the existing green space. The protection set out in this policy also applies to smaller valuable green spaces not identified on the Policies Map.

Aerial View



Background

The site forms a very small area that is part of much larger part of Urban Greenspace.

In terms of its form and appearance, the site forms urban fringe land. All other adjacent gardens provide a clear natural boundary between the this and the land in our client's ownership is the last parcel of land to be formed into a garden. The proposal would clearly distinct the character and would be physically separated from the wider greenspace to the south of the site.

In physical form, it forms a coherent part of the settlement, abuts housing and does not function as greenspace. The removal of the site from greenspace will round off the settlement and provide the opportunity for the provision of a small garden like adjacent properties.

This site forms only a small part of the overall greenspace allocation and can be brought forward for the proposal without having a major impact on the functioning of greenspace in the area.

Conclusion

Overall, the proposal would not have a negative impact on the Urban Greenspace.

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