

THE LAND PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (GUERNSEY) LAW, 2005
AND THE LAND PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (GENERAL PROVISIONS)
ORDINANCE, 2007

NOTIFICATION OF GRANT OF PLANNING PERMISSION

PROPOSALS: Install replacement balustrade/railing to west (front), north (side) and east (rear) of site.

LOCATION: Infinity Apartments, Amherst Road, St. Peter Port.

APPLICANT: Infinity Apartments

This permission is granted under the terms of Sections 15 and 16 of the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law, 2005 (the 'Law').

Date of Grant of Permission: 15/01/2025

This notification of grant of permission refers solely to the proposals referred to above as described in your application received as valid on 06/12/2024 and the drawings referred to below. This grant of permission is subject to the following conditions:-

Drawing Nos: 'Option 1 Galvanised railings' block plan. Railing specification & annotated photographs.

Application Ref: FULL/2024/1918

Property Ref: A10336A000

Conditions and reasons:-

1.All development authorised by this permission must be carried out and must be completed in every detail in accordance with the written application, plans and drawings referred to above. No variations to such development amounting to development may be made without the permission of the Authority under the Law.

Reason - To ensure that it is clear that permission is only granted for the development to which the application relates.

2.The development hereby permitted shall be begun within 3 years from the date of grant of this permission.

Reason - This condition reflects section 18(1) of the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law, 2005 which states that planning permission ceases to have effect unless development is commenced within 3 years of the date of grant (or such shorter period as may be specified in the permission).

3.The development hereby permitted and all the operations which constitute or are incidental to that development must be carried out in compliance with all such requirements of The Building (Guernsey) Regulations, 2012 as are applicable to them, and no operation to which such a requirement applies may be commenced or continued unless (i) plans relating to that operation have been approved by the Authority and (ii) it is commenced or, as the case may be, continued, in accordance with that requirement and any further requirements imposed by the Authority when approving those plans, for the purpose of securing that the building regulations are complied with.

Reason - Any planning permission granted under the Law is subject to this condition as stated in section 17(2) of the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law, 2005.

4.The hereby approved replacement railings shall be finished black or dark grey in colour, or painted black within 2 months of installation.

Reason - to ensure the character and appearance of the Conservation Area is conserved.

Expiry Date: This permission will cease to have effect on 15/01/2028 unless development is commenced by that date.

ADVICE AND OTHER REMARKS:-

In light of Condition 4, Black is a traditional colour commonly found within the Conservation Area, and would match the colour of the existing railings.

Effect of planning permission:

Section 18 of the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law, 2005 ('the Law') defines the effect of the planning permission hereby granted, namely:

(1) Planning permission ceases to have effect unless the development permitted by it is commenced within a period of three years immediately following the date on which it is granted (or such shorter period as may be specified in the permission).

(2) Planning permission enures for the benefit of the land concerned and of every person for the time being having an interest in it.

(3) Any conditions subject to which planning permission is issued are enforceable in accordance with the provisions of Part V of the Law.

(4) Planning permission for the erection of a building is only permission to use it for the purpose specified in the permission or, subject to any restriction so specified, for any other purpose for which it is designed.

(5) Planning permission is only permission to carry out the development specified in it (subject to any conditions so specified), and does not imply the giving of any other approval or consent required under this Law or any other enactment or under any rule of law.

Right of appeal against planning decisions:

Your attention is drawn to the provisions of Section 68(1) of the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law 2005, which provides a right of appeal, on the merits against a decision to grant planning permission subject to conditions (except a building condition), to the Planning Tribunal, which is independent of the States of Guernsey. An appeal to the Planning Tribunal under section 68 of the Law against this decision must be made before the expiry of the period of six months beginning with the date on which the Authority made this decision. The official Appeal Notice Forms are available on the States of Guernsey website at www.gov.gg/planningpanel and must be completed with all enclosures in multiples as requested and received within the six months deadline.

Copy of representations made:

In reaching this decision the Authority took into account any written consultations made under Section 11(1) of the Land Planning and Development (General Provisions) Ordinance, 2007 ('the Ordinance'). A copy of any consultation responses made under section 11 will be included with this decision in accordance with section 19 of the Ordinance.

Other Remarks:

Please note that any work which abuts or affects the public highway requires prior approval by Traffic and Highway Services. Please contact Traffic & Highway Services (highways@gov.gg) for further advice. You must also ensure that any access/es to the development are constructed to meet the existing road/footway levels in accordance with their requirements.

This document is not a Building Licence and confers no approval under the Building Regulations.

A separate Building Control Licence may be required and it is the responsibility of the developer to ensure that ALL necessary consents are obtained and that any pre-commencement conditions are discharged prior to development being commenced.

A J ROWLES

Director of Planning
Planning Service



PLANNING APPLICATION REPORT

Application No: FULL/2024/1918
Property Ref: A10336A000
Valid date: 06/12/2024
Location: Infinity Apartments Amherst Road St. Peter Port Guernsey
GY1 2DH
Proposal: Install replacement balustrade/railing to west (front), north
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Applicant: Infinity Apartments

RECOMMENDATION - Grant: Planning Permission with Conditions:

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INFORMATIVES

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OFFICER'S REPORT

Brief Description of the site:

The application site comprises a 2.5/3storey block of flats located to the east of Amherst Road. The building is located within a Conservation Area and Main Centre Outer Area as designated in the Island Development Plan.

Planning permission is sought to install replacement balustrade/railings to the west (front), north, and east (rear) of the building.

Two railing designs have been proposed as part of this application, including a galvanised steel and stainless steel option.

Relevant History:

PAPP/2009/0521	Demolish existing and erect ten residential units.	Granted
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Existing Use(s):

Flats

Assessment: *(Tick as appropriate)*

no representation
accords with policy
within curtilage
design acceptable

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visual amenity acceptable
no material neighbour impact
traffic not affected

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Policies considered most relevant:

GP4 Conservation Areas
GP8 Design
GP9 Sustainable development
GP13 Householder Development

Conclusion/Brief comment:

All material considerations as set out in the Land Planning and Development (Guernsey) Law, 2005 and the Land Planning and Development (General Provisions) Ordinance, 2007 have been taken into account in the assessment of this application.

The existing railings are of a high quality design that is sympathetic to the Conservation Area, although are in poor condition and therefore their replacement is supported under Policy.

The replacement galvanised steel railing adopts a high enough standard of design, subject to the railing adopting a black or dark grey finish, or is painted black in colour once installed. A condition to this effect should be attached to the decision to ensure that the replacement railings are respectful to its sensitive surroundings, for which a number of non-reflective railings, typically finished in black, are visible in the surrounding area. It is therefore recommended that the galvanised steel railings are approved given their design and potential finish, whereas stainless steel will have more of a reflective appearance which would be contrary to the characteristics of the Conservation Area.

Overall, the proposal adopts a high enough standard of design by virtue of the design, height, appearance and materiality. The proposal, subject to condition, will have a neutral effect on the Conservation Area.

Sufficient information has been submitted that has taken into account the criteria of Policy GP9 (Sustainable Development).

Based on the above, the application is considered compliant with the relevant Island Development Plan policies, and accords with the purpose of the Law and the Material Planning Considerations. It is therefore recommended that planning permission be granted, subject to conditions.

Recommendation:

Grant with Conditions



Date: 14/01/25

