Montpelier Conservation Group

Minutes of the General Meeting 18 April 2005

1) Minutes of 21 March 2005 General Meeting

These were distributed to the meeting. Agreed as an accurate record.

2) Matters arising

None.

3) Letters sent/received by the Group

BCC = Bristol City Council, MCG = Montpelier Conservation Group

Knightstone Villas, Upper Cheltenham Place – 04/00401/VC/C – BCC to MCG with notice of TPO thus requiring an application rather than a notice for future works.

138-142 Cheltenham Road – 05/00614/LC/C & 05/00615/F/C – MCG to BCC with objections on façade, roof and retention of metal windows, intensity, lack of planting, character of rear block. BCC to MCG with acknowledgement.

Rear of 105 Richmond Road – 05/00611/F/C – MCG to BCC with objections on tower, street façade, glass roofed porch. BCC to MCG with acknowledgement.

133 & 135 Ashley Road – 05/00550/F/C – MCG to BCC with objections: lack of retrospective application, poor quality. BCC to MCG with acknowledgement. BCC to MCG with notice of refusal under delegated powers – proposed wall fails to provide visual interest and preserve setting.

130-132 Cheltenham Road (BAR 130) - 04/02208/X/C & 04/02207/F/C - including variation of condition to allow use of courtyard as restaurant - BCC to MCG with notice that it is going to committee on 20 April.

Land adjacent to railway cutting at end of Fairlawn Road – 03/04549/F/C – BCC to MCG with notice that it is going to committee on 20 April.

135 York Road – MCG to BCC (email) to establish current progress, reply received. MCG to BCC expressing our continuing concerns at the deterioration of this listed building.

4) Planning Applications/Planning Decisions (not detailed above)

Land at rear of 38-40 Picton Street – 05/01028/F/C – Demolish garage structures and erect 3 no. dwellings with integral garages. Letters Secretary to write with objections to broken façade; to request greenery to front; also to reiterate need for a development framework on Picton Lane.

Langport Hall Garage, Lower Cheltenham Place – 05/00900/F/C & 05/00904/LC/C – Demolition of existing garage/workshop, construction of 14 no. flats with associated 9 off-street parking spaces. Letters Secretary to write with objections: intensity, height, scale, context, metal railings, bedrooms at pavement level; lack of pavement, demolition of existing stone wall; underground parking: impact on neighbours, insufficient detail, concerns over blind exit and turning point.

5) Update on other meetings

Dovercourt/Audi Garage – 7 April 2005 – MCG attended initial presentation by Linden Homes. Treasurer to write welcoming opening up of façade and concerns on some other aspects.

CAP – 19 April 2005 – Land at rear of 38-40 Picton Street and Jesters Comedy Club on agenda.

BCC Planning Committee – 20 April 2005 – MCG to make statements re BAR 130 and Land adjacent to Fairlawn Road as officer's reports did not make MCG position clear.

21 Portland Square – Plaque to be unveiled on 22 April as EW Godwin (architect of the Carriageworks on Stokes Croft) lived there. MCG to attend.

6) Any Other Business

27-31 Picton Street – The owner had asked for ideas for colours. Earthy and light preferred, and defined as 3 houses.

52 Fairfield Road – BCC to neighbours closing the case. MCG to await developments.

122 York Road - This has received Section 76 determination. New planning application awaited.

Kebab Shop, Picton Street - MCG had received complaint about shutters. To be forwarded to BCC.

7) **Date of Next Meeting (AGM)** – Monday 16 May 2005 – Regular venue