

## **WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL**

### **Report by Acting Director of Housing, Regeneration and Environmental Services (Housing & Regeneration Services)**

**Planning Committee: 8 August 2007**

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**Subject:     Dumbarton Sheriff Court, Church Street, Dumbarton (DC06/333/FUL)**

#### **1.     Purpose**

- 1.1**    To inform the Committee of the up to date situation with regard to the planning application for extensions and alterations to Dumbarton Sheriff Court.

#### **2.     Background**

- 2.1**    A report was presented to the Planning Committee dated 7 March 2007 for the erection of a two storey extension within the courtyard and at the rear of the building including external alterations and formation of access ramp at front elevation (DC06/333/FUL).
- 2.2**    The Committee agreed with the recommendation to be minded to grant the application subject to a legal agreement being concluded to ensure developer contribution to improving public car parking provision in the town centre.

#### **3.     Main Issues**

- 3.1**    The planning application proposed 30 parking spaces at the side of the building and 3 disabled spaces at the front. The Roads Services had no objections to the application subject to a financial contribution by the developer to improving town centre parking provision based on the number of spaces lost on site by the proposed redevelopment.
- 3.2**    Following further consideration of the development the Scottish Courts Service were able to accommodate a total of 50 parking spaces comprising 25 visitor and 25 staff parking spaces within the site. This provision meets the requirements of the Roads Services and they are satisfied with this level of parking provision within the site. Therefore there is no longer the requirement for a financial contribution as the appropriate level of parking can be formed within the site.
- 3.3**    The planning permission was issued under delegated powers on 14 June 2007 with an additional condition attached requiring the 50 car parking spaces shown on the amended plans to be formed prior to the occupation/use of the extensions and thereafter maintained for this use.

#### **4.     Personnel Issues**

- 4.1**    There are no personnel issues.

## **5. Financial Implication**

**5.1** There are no financial implications.

## **6. Risk Analysis**

**6.1** There are no risk issues.

## **7. Conclusion**

**7.1** The Scottish Courts Service is able to form the appropriate level of car parking spaces within the site in place of paying a financial contribution for any shortfall of car parking spaces. The planning permission has therefore been issued.

## **8. Recommendation**

**8.1** The Committee is invited to note the content of this report.

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**Appendix:** None

**Background Papers:**

1. Copy of report to Planning Committee dated 7 March 2007.
2. Copy of amended site plan A(00)L001 Rev. D.
3. Copy of planning consent DC06/333/FUL dated 14 June 2007.

**Wards Affected:** 3 Dumbarton