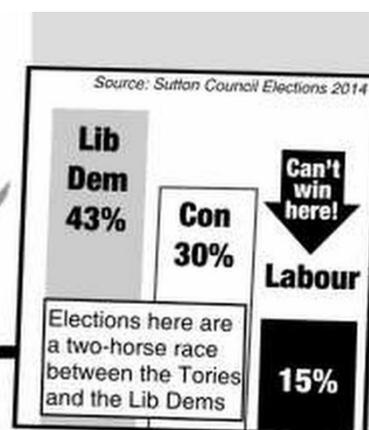


Sutton North Special **FOCUS**

News from Cllr Ruth Dombey, Cllr Marlene Heron and Cllr Steve Penneck



42 BLENHEIM ROAD: APPEAL ALLOWED

The Government's Planning Inspectorate has allowed an appeal for the demolition of dwelling and erection of a two storey 4 bedroomed house with roof accommodation, car parking, cycle and refuse stores and new vehicular access onto Blenheim Road. This appeal relates to application, Ref B2016/74088/FUL, and the plans can be seen on the Council web site:

<https://fastweb.sutton.gov.uk/fastweb/detail.asp?AltRef=B2016/74088&ApplicationNumber=74088&AddressPrefix=&submit2=Go>

The plans show the house is semi-detached, with two bedrooms in the loft. Earlier appeals for development of this site, including for the building of flats, had been turned down.

Sutton Council had turned down this application in June, by reason of its poor design and scale. It would 'fail to appear subordinate to the host building, resulting in an incongruous and unsympathetic form of development which would be out of keeping with the host property and the prevailing character of Blenheim Road.'

The Planning Inspectorate took a different view. 'As other Inspectors have noted, despite some variations in facing materials, the street retains a broadly homogenous character with much of the original architecture and repeated features particularly to the front facades retained.'

'However, despite its many qualities, I do not find anything inherently sensitive or remarkable about the streetscape that would preclude small alterations and additions to dwellings. Blenheim Road is not subject to any special designation and as I saw on my site visit, its distinctiveness has been compromised to a degree by the loss of front gardens to parking areas, the erection of detached garages and rear dormer extensions some of which are visible from the road.'

The Council had asked that if the Inspector allowed the appeal, that a condition preventing multiple occupation should be made. This has been refused.

A copy of the Inspector's letter is on our web site.

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