Aldi

Sprowston Road, Norwich





Permission was secured for a mixed-use scheme featuring an Aldi food store in Norwich. Building on an existing permission, we demonstrated that revised proposals would deliver short-term regeneration, investment and job creation to this area of the city.

Instructed by Aldi to progress revised proposals to an existing permission for a mixed-use scheme, we secured permission for a food store, while gifting land for affordable residential units to be progressed by a local housing association.

The site and adjacent land had for many years been allocated for housing. However, four years after the original permission was secured, we were successful in promoting the site for mixed-use, including a food store.

We were successful in promoting the revised proposals to council officers, local stakeholders and residents via a consultation exercise. We secured a 90-plus per cent positive response to the proposals from the local community and the support of ward councillors. We successfully argued that the food store would need to be a priority development in order to secure the additional benefit of the adjacent land for housing.

The proposals were unanimously supported by members at planning committee within the 13-week determination period.

Summary of achievements

- Coordinating the preparation and submission of a revised planning application
- · Provision of a planning and retail assessment
- · Coordination of a successful consultation exercise
- Achieving 90%-plus positive response to revised proposals from local community
- Securing permission, with unanimous support at committee, within 13 weeks
- Negotiated S106 Agreement

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