

## **Plymouth Design Panel Review**

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October, Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2008  
Derriford/Elliot Terrace, Plymouth.

### **In Attendance**

Les Sparks (chair)  
Prof Adrian Gale  
Martin Harradine  
Rebecca Child  
Mark Pearson  
Tanya Griffiths (secretary)

### **Agenda Items**

1. Derriford Multistorey Car Park, planning application
2. Forder Valley Masterplan, pre-application – confidential
3. Hellermann-Tyton, William Prance Road, pre-application – confidential
4. Princess Yachts, Millbay, planning application
5. Ker Street Phase II, pre-application not confidential
6. Devonport Police Station, pre-application confidential
7. North Cross Framework, pre-application confidential
8. Plymouth College of Art and Design (PCAD) Masterplan– Panel Briefing

Note: The developers of some of the agenda items have requested that the reports be treated as confidential at pre-application stage. If any of the pre applications discussions result in the submission of a planning application the Plymouth Design Panel report will be available on request and will be referred to in the Planning Officer's report. They will also be published on the Plymouth City Council website as a matter of record.

#### **4. Princess Yachts**

The panel felt that the modifications to the roof profile on the office building represented an improvement on the previous scheme.

The panel did, however, express strong misgivings about the proposal to phase the development and the potential implications for Millbay should the second phase not proceed. This building, its massing and the architectural expression of the development are to a great extent characterised by the canopy structure which is considered necessary to the wider Millbay context. The visual impact of the boats in the water will dominate the phase 1 building and this will lend its own character to the site, but without the canopy the western edge of the bay will lack definition.

The panel supports the scheme whilst wishing to note its reservation about the phasing. The panel would also like to note that the development is dependent on the implementation of the sill and enabling infrastructure to form the marina and expressed its frustration at the delays in the commencement of this work.