



HARINGEY QUALITY
REVIEW PANEL
SUMMARY
ANNUAL
REPORT

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INTRODUCTION

The Haringey Quality Review Panel was set up in 2015 by Frame Projects on behalf of the London Borough of Haringey. It is chaired by Peter Studdert and includes 27 professional members, selected through an open recruitment process in collaboration with Haringey officers.

Terms of Reference, available on the planning authority's website, set out the role and remit of the panel, and the way in which it supports the planning process. Schemes requiring design advice are identified by planning officers and referred to the panel for review. Officers provide a briefing on the planning context and key issues, both in writing for the meeting agenda, and in person at the panel meeting. Advice given by the panel is recorded in a report, to assist with continuing pre-application negotiations, or to advise the planning committee on submitted schemes.

The Haringey Quality Review Panel has advised on 31 schemes in the year from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022. Twenty of these schemes have been reviewed on more than one occasion. First reviews usually take place at a stage when a client and design team have decided their preferred option for the development of a site, and have sufficient drawings, models and other information for a comprehensive discussion. There will often be a second pre-application review, to provide advice on more detailed design matters, before planning submission.

Frame Projects has developed a process for monitoring and evaluating the impact of quality review panels. This process allows us to obtain insight into the effectiveness and performance of each of our panels, as well as valuable information on the significant emerging issues from panel reviews. It also provides public transparency and allows for continual improvement of our services. This process includes collecting quantitative information based on reviews carried out.

This framework builds on the initial work done by Public Practice to develop a monitoring tool for design review.

Quantitative data was gathered from reviews that took place from 1 January to 31 December 2022.

PANEL

Authority

London Borough of Haringey

Review Panel name

Haringey Quality Review Panel

Panel management

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REVIEW TOTALS

Number of first reviews

11

Number of site visits
(virtual)

2

Formal reviews
(chair plus four panel member)

15

Number of follow up
reviews

20

Number of site visits
(in person)

22

Chair's reviews
(chair plus one panel member)

16

PANEL COMPOSITION

PANEL MEMBERS USED THIS YEAR

No. of different panel
members used

21

Male panel members

62%

Female panel members

38%

BAME panel members

11%

PANEL EXPERTISE USED

Architecture

32

Urban design /
town planning

31

Landscape / public
realm

15

Heritage /
conservation

12

Sustainability

9

PROPOSALS REVIEWED

APPLICANT TYPE

Private developer

18

Local authority

11

Public private partnership

2

STAGE OF PROPOSAL

Pre application

28

Planning application
submitted

3

Amendment to
approved application

0

TYPE OF PROPOSAL

Masterplan

2

Mixed use

7

Residential (1-50 units)

7

Residential (50+ units)

9

Healthcare

1

Commercial

1

Public realm

0

Education

4

EMERGING ISSUES AND NEXT STEPS

Panel members were invited to review meetings on the basis of their availability, expertise and the requirements of individual schemes. We will continue to make every effort to include the widest possible range of disciplines in the composition of review panels.

The diversity and the ratio of male to female panel members could be improved. Frame Projects has recently worked with Haringey council officers to refresh membership of the panel and appoint new experts across the panel.

The increased number of reviews, and of returning schemes, since the previous annual report indicates that applicants are making constructive use of the Haringey Quality Review Panel's advice, engaging meaningfully in the review process. More use could be made of the Surgery Review format to allow schemes of various scales and complexities to benefit from the panel's expert, multidisciplinary input.

Image: Tottenham Green Bench

