

CASE STUDY

Mixed Use Development, Abbey Wall Works, Merton, London

Client
INDIGOSCOTT



Services

TOWN PLANNING

RESIDENTIAL

Project

indigoScott instructed Rapleys Town Planning team to secure planning permission for a major mixed use redevelopment of the brownfield Abbey Wall Works site in Merton.

What we did

Rapleys Town Planning team was responsible for managing the planning application process from start to finish. This included pre-application consultation with the Local Planning Authority (LPA) and other key stakeholders, including Historic England. The site is in a sensitive and important historical location, being part of the Merton Priory conservation area and adjacent to Abbey Mills, former home of the Liberty Print Works. This presented an excellent opportunity to create a scheme of high-quality design which reflected this unique historical context. Rapleys also led the pre-application public consultation process, arranging a public exhibition to gather views of local residents, business and stakeholders to inform the scheme design. Whilst the application was refused at Committee against officer's recommendation, Rapleys was successful in pursuing an appeal process, which resulted in the refusal being overturned and the appeal, and planning permission, being granted by the Planning Inspectorate.

What we achieved

Through pro-active management of the application and appeal process and co-ordination of the consultant team, Rapleys was able to secure a positive outcome for the client, securing planning permission to enable the redevelopment of the site to provide 66 new homes and associated commercial floorspace, which will provide new jobs and amenities for the local community.

Client testimonial

"indigoScott appointed Rapleys as planning consultant to secure the most beneficial permission for the development of our site, as they have delivered for us on previous projects. Their expert knowledge of the planning system, ability to build relationships with Officers and key stakeholders, efficient managing of the consultant team, and persistence in terms of navigating through the challenges that arose, which included successfully advising on the appeal process, was critical to ensuring a positive planning outcome for our business."

Jon Davis, Development Director, indigoScott.