

Planning committee meets today

The planning committee [meets this morning.](#)

Councillors will consider a retrospective application to use a building at 8 Baxter's Place as short stay serviced apartments.

This is the former Edinburgh City Football Club and the application is recommended for approval. The scheme will provide 48 bedrooms in the self contained block.

The plans were amended from the original proposal for six flats. One of these will now be used as a reception area at ground level.



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Planners say it will be an area for guests to have breakfast. They also say there were seven letters of objection, and planning officers say all such grounds have been addressed.

This site was subject to an enforcement notice in 2017 when the building was being used as so called 'party flats'. This

application should address the legal requirements, but locals say the building has been a source of many noise complaints.

There is another application for new build student flats, this time at 35 Lanark Road, and again this is scheduled for approval. The existing buildings which are a car dealership and garage (formerly the Pentland garage) on the south side of Lanark Road will be demolished. Both Craiglockhart and Longstone Community Councils objected to the plans and there were 35 letters of objection.

Four separate buildings will be constructed to provide 105 studio units for students. The application has only five parking spaces for cars, but 100% cycle parking provision with two tier bike racks.

Any development will not be allowed to start until the developer commissions a survey to examine any contaminated land, an archaeological survey is conducted and a full landscaping plan is provided.

You can read all the relevant papers [here](#) and watch the council webcast online [here](#).