

Clarkston: Planning application for Greenbank Church land - 'Surplus' land could be used to build care home

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A CARE home could be built in the grounds of a Clarkston church as part of plans to serve the community “for generations to come”.

East Renfrewshire Council has received a planning application which requests permission to use “surplus” land at Greenbank Parish Church for a 58-bed residential care home.

The Eaglesham Road site, currently occupied by a church hall and caretaker’s house, would be sold to Morrison Community Care Ltd and construction firm CCG if planning consent is secured.

It is part of a wider project to “ensure future sustainability” of the church.

A second application for the redevelopment of the church will be submitted at a later date.

The application states: "Greenbank Parish Church Legacy Project has a clear vision to create a sustainable worshipping congregation serving the existing community for generations to come."

In the care home, there will be "communities" of no more than 10 residents, each with a day room, dining area and quiet room.

The plans also include a hair salon, visitor café and cinema, which will also be open to the public.

"It will offer the residents added interaction with the wider community," the plans state.

Greenbank church is a C-listed building but the halls to the north are "of a significantly inferior quality", the application adds. "These are no longer needed by the church."

The Kirk Session of the congregation of Greenbank believes the "proposed development has the ability to create a unique and sustainable development with the community at its centre".

It said the nursing care home proposal is a "good fit" for the site.

The second phase, the redevelopment of the church, will be funded by contributions from members of the congregation and charitable funding groups. Extra money will be made through the sale of a new detached villa on the land.

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Plans have been submitted to develop a 58-bed care home in Clarkston.

Morrison Community Care (CCG) Holdco Ltd, a joint venture between Morrison Community Care Group and Glasgow-based contractor CCG (Scotland), have submitted proposals to East Renfrewshire Council with the intent to develop land adjacent to Greenbank Parish Church.

Developed in partnership with Holmes Miller, the care home would replace existing premises that are no longer needed by the church with private, en-suite bedrooms, dining areas, hair salon, cinema and visitor café, as well as 24/7 nursing services, amongst the wide range of amenities on offer to future residents.

Paul Sokhi, managing director of Morrison Community Care Group, said: “Both firms have already worked together for half a decade having successfully created two luxury care homes with a further two presently under construction. With an ageing population and people living longer, there is a growing demand for modern luxury accommodation, with strong infection control design, for older people in Scotland.

“Thus, it is very exciting to be involved with this new JV developing new homes and focusing on design and technology to improve the lives of older people and make a positive contribution to local communities now and in the future.”

CCG managing director, David Wylie, said: “The Greenbank development is the first care home to have been officially developed through Morrison Community Care (CCG) Holdco Ltd but our partnership has contributed over 200 beds across central Scotland since 2017.

“We understand the importance of providing modern accommodation in Scotland as the country continues to face challenges by an ever-growing ageing population. It is imperative that the elderly and the wider sector is supported by new development and we believe our company is best-placed to do this as a result of the quality standards that we can achieve, both in construction and service.

“We believe a development this kind will be a welcome addition to the Clarkston community and look forward to taking our proposals forward with our partners.”

Matt Heaney, senior architect with Holmes Miller, added: “Greenbank represents the culmination of design development with Morrison Community Care and CCG’s building technology to establish a state-of-the-art care home suitable for the post-covid era.

“The life of the residents has been uppermost in our considerations from the creation of small, self-contained, community groups within the wider home, and generous and attractive communal areas with access to external balcony space for each community group. The connection with the Greenbank Parish church development and the landscaped site provides a context which is beautiful with promise of valuable interaction between the care home residents and the community functions of the church proposals.”

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