

BARNES HALL, KEELE UNIVERSITY
LINDSAY HALL, KEELE UNIVERSITY
HORWOOD HALL, KEELE UNIVERSITY

16/01014/FUL
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The above 3 applications have recently been received.

They are for the following:-

16/01014/FUL Barnes Hall - The demolition of 366 student bed-spaces, and other demolition works; the erection of seven new halls of residence, comprising four cluster flat blocks and three townhouse blocks, to provide 617 new student bed-spaces, three wardens' flats and two laundries; the erection of a single-storey social hub; the erection of a new energy centre; the erection of ancillary buildings including bike stores and bin stores; the reconfiguration of parking, servicing and accesses; plus hard and soft landscaping, engineering works and associated infrastructure at Barnes Hall.

16/01015/FUL Lindsay Hall - The demolition of an energy centre, music studio and 241 student bed-spaces, and other demolition works; the erection of 10 new halls of residence, comprising seven cluster flat blocks and three townhouse blocks, to provide 814 new student bed-spaces, three wardens' flats, three laundries, a social hub in two locations; the erection of a replacement energy centre; the erection of ancillary buildings including bike stores and bin stores; the reconfiguration of parking, servicing and accesses; plus hard and soft landscaping, engineering works and associated infrastructure at Lindsay Hall.

16/01016/FUL Horwood Hall - The demolition of 266 student bed-space, and other demolition works; the erection of 13 new halls of residence, comprising seven cluster flat blocks and six townhouse blocks, to provide 915 new student bed-spaces, three wardens' flats and three laundries; the provision of a music and teaching facility and a replacement medical facility; the erection of a two-storey social hub; the erection of ancillary buildings including bike stores and bin stores; the change of use of 'House 99' to the Keele Postgraduate Association; the reconfiguration of parking, servicing and accesses; plus hard and soft landscaping, engineering works and associated infrastructure at Horwood Hall.

These applications will come before the Planning Committee for determination in due course.

RECOMMENDATION

That Members agree to hold a site visit in connection with these applications on Saturday 28th January at 0915 hrs

Reason for recommendation

The scale and complexity of the proposals referred to in these applications are such that it is considered appropriate to recommend that a site visit be held by members before the applications are considered at a later date

Relevant Issues

As members will no doubt be aware the Authority has received three applications for development at Keele University. The applications are accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

In view of the considerable scale and complexity of the project, together with the fact that they are for locations which some members may have a limited knowledge of, it is considered that it would be helpful for members and assist them in the decision making process for a site visit to be arranged at this stage, well before the applications are expected to come to the Planning Committee for consideration. Members are reminded that it is the policy of the Committee that only those members of the Committee or their substitutes who have attended the site visit are able to take part in and vote on the determination of applications which have been the subject of a site visit.

The proposed date is one that was agreed by the Planning Committee at its meeting in 26th June 2016 as a date when any Planning Committee site visit agreed on the 4th January 2017 would be held.

Background Papers : Planning files
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