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CONSERVATION ADVISORY WORKING PARTY

3 March 2009

Present:- Councillor Mrs Naylor in the Chair

Councillors Miss Cooper, Richards, Mrs Williams and Heesom

Representing Outside Bodies:

Mr L Chatterton – Newcastle Civic Society
Mr R Manning – North Staffs Society of Architects
Mr B Sinnott – Madeley Parish Council
Mr R Tribbeck – North Staffs Field Club
Mr J Worgan – Newcastle Civic Society

711. * PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Resolved:- (a) That the decisions on applications previously considered by this Working Party be received.

(b) That the following observations be made on the applications listed below:

<u>App No</u>	<u>Proposed development and name of applicant</u>	<u>Comments</u>
09/33/FUL	Upgrade to include new amphitheatre, landscaped areas, ramps and re-modelled car park. Central Campus/Union Square, Keele University. University of Keele.	The Conservation Advisory Working Party welcomed the concept in general, however, some concerns were raised: ➤ Raising the level of the paved area to bring it in line with the doorway would detract from the original design of George Pace. In addition, it could create problems with the damp proof course. ➤ Members felt that there were too many textures/colours in the immediate vicinity of the Chapel without the 'Staffordshire Blue Brick' being continued. Use of this material should be encouraged. ➤ Concerns were raised regarding the location of the proposed sign in front of the Chapel which it was felt was not required in the vicinity.

Mr L Chatterton declared an interest in the following item and took no part in the discussion.

<u>App No</u>	<u>Proposed development and name of applicant</u>	<u>Comments</u>
09/36/FUL	Smoking shelter. Holy Trinity Community Centre, London Road, Newcastle. Rev P Griffin.	No objections in principle but request that the shelter be of a dark colour in finish.

Councillor Richards declared an interest in the next item and took no part in the discussion.

09/38/FUL	Variation of Condition 2 of planning permission 06/1157/FUL to allow continued extended opening hours. Fluid Café/Bar, 97 High Street, Newcastle. Fluid Café/Bar.	No comments.
09/40/FUL	Two free-standing 15kw wind turbines (resubmission of 08/517/FUL). Unit 1 & 2 Barn Conversion, Lower Stoney Low Farm, Three Mile Lane, Madeley. Mr G & Mrs T Emery.	No objections.
09/43/FUL	Erection of detached dwelling (amended scheme). Land adjoining 1 Church Villas, The Butts, Betley. Mr P Robinson.	No objections but Members deplore the presumption that there is no need to submit an application prior to commencing building works.
09/61/COU	Change of use of Class A1 shop to class D1 NHS walk in facility. Unit 19a Roebuck Centre, High Street, Newcastle. North Staffs PCT.	No objections.
09/63/COU	Change of use from clothes shop to hot and cold food café/takeaway. First Floor, 23 Bridge Street, Newcastle. Mr J Hamer.	No objections.

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<u>App No</u>	<u>Proposed development and name of applicant</u>	<u>Comments</u>
09/65/FUL	Variation of condition 1 of planning permission 06/1136/COU to allow for continued extended opening hours. Brassingtons, 115 High Street, Newcastle. Brassingtons.	No objections although some Members still had concerns regarding extending opening hours of such premises in the Newcastle Conservation Area.

712. * **APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (HISTORIC BUILDING GRANTS) CONSERVATN AND HERITAGE FUND**

Details were submitted of the undermentioned application for financial assistance from the Conservation and Heritage Fund that was to be considered by the Planning Committee.

(i) 28 High Street, Newcastle (Ref. 08/09008/HBG)

Replacement of a sash window.

Resolved:- That the Working Group supports the application as set out in the supplementary report and that the Planning Committee be informed.

713. * **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

That Chair informed Members that Home Farm, Keele had been left open to the elements since having the roof opened up. The Conservation Officer was asked if there was anything that could be done for the newly listed building.

At present the building was not deemed safe to enter and structural works were required. Louise Wallace was due to meet the developer on site.

Resolved:- That the Conservation Advisory Working Party be kept informed of progress.

MRS W NAYLON
Chair