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CONSERVATION ADVISORY WORKING PARTY

3 May 2011

Present:- Councillor Miss Cooper in the Chair

Representing Outside Bodies:-

Mr L Chatterton – Newcastle Civic Society

Mr S Harrison - Betley, Balterley and Wrinehill Parish Council

Mr R Manning – North Staffs Society of Architects

Dr M Nixon - CBA

Mr B Sinnott - Madeley Parish Council

Mr I Webb – Whitmore Parish Council

Mr J Worgan - Newcastle Civic Society

34. * MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Resolved:- That subject to the inclusion under the Conservation and Heritage Fund of two applications for financial assistance which were considered and supported: Queen Victoria Statue, Queen's Gardens and St Thomas' Church Hall, Mow Cop, the minutes of the previous meeting held on 12 April 2011 be agreed as a correct record.

35. * 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:-

App No	Proposed development and name of applicant	Comments
11/52/FUL	Conversion of brick and tile stable to commercial use to provide for a restaurant guest house and involving the erection of new accommodation to replace an existing building and to form car parking and guest storage space. Whitmore Riding School, Shut Lane Head, Whitmore. Mr G Richards.	The Conservation Advisory Working Party had no objections provided that the materials were of a high quality and carefully detailed. These should be conditional.
11/133/LBC	Demolition of existing conservatory, construction of orangery, new opening from kitchen and internal	The Working Party considered that the proposals were unsympathetic and alien to

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alterations. the architectural and
The Old School House,
Woore Road, Madeley
Mr & Mrs Francis. the architectural and
historical quality of the
building and strongly
objected to the removal of
the windows and chimney
breast. There were no
details of how the chimney

would likely be very invasive to a historic building.

11/157/LBC Erection of a new shippon.

Home Farm, Balterley Hall,

Balterley. Mr D Beecroft. Members had no objections to the proposal but

would be supported and this

highlighted the potential for archaeological remains on the site and suggested the need for an archaeological

working brief.

11/168/FUL & 11/169/LBC

Change of use to include beauty therapy and

hairdressing and alterations to side elevation to rear of

premises.

27 Marsh Parade,

Newcastle. Mr R Manning. The Working Party was unable to consider this application without the required information that is expected on the statement of

significance to aid understanding of the rear

outrigger.

11/188/LBC Installation of new shop

fascia sign and window

lettering.

14 Lancaster Buildings, High Street, Newcastle. Mr K Padania. The Working Party objected strongly to the inappropriate lettering on this very significant building in a prominent location of the

Conservation Area. The sign was unacceptable for its context and would detract from the building and the area. Consideration could be given to applying the sign on the windows and reducing

the font size.

MISS J M COOPER Chair