

CONSERVATION ADVISORY WORKING PARTY

Tuesday 3 December 2013

Present:- Councillor Mrs G Burnett - the Chair
Councillors Allport, Miss Cooper and Robinson
Representing Mr L Chatterton – Newcastle Civic Society
Outside Bodies Mr C Wakeling - Staffordshire Historic Buildings Trust
Mr R Redgewell – Newcastle Civic Society
Mr F Colella – Staffordshire Parks and Gardens Trust

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Roy Manning.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolved:- That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 22 October 2013 be agreed as a correct record.

4. PREVIOUSLY CONSIDERED PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

5. NEW APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Resolved:- 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>
13/00885/ADV	New Look, Castle Walk, Newcastle-under-Lyme. New Look Group plc. Four illuminated fascia signs and one illuminated sign.	The proposed sign is too deep for the existing shop fascia and its depth should be reduced. To comply with Policy, letters should be individually illuminated and should stand proud from background panel and not be lit through a light box as proposed.
13/00895/FUL	Rare Restaurant, Rectory Buildings, 39 Ironmarket.	No objections.

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	Replacement roller shutter with aluminium double doors.	
13/00838/FUL & 13/00839/LBC	Outbuildings at Whitmore Hall Estate. Mr Cavanagh-Mainwaring. Conversion of outbuildings.	This Working Party feels that this barn conversion is ill thought out and that the proposed proposal and extension harms the setting of the Grade I site and important landscape. They object to the raising of the roof of the eastern section and think that the majority of alterations should be undertaken on the already modified southern elevation.
13/00844/FUL	Keele University Campus, Keele. Conversion and extension of existing oil bund to create store.	No objections.
13/00871/FUL & 13/00872/LBC	Willoughbridge Lodge Cottage, Willoughbridge Lane. M R McDowell. Demolition of existing garage and conservatory and erection of two 2-storey side extensions.	The Working Party wants the main building and extension to have timber windows, as in previous decision and want doors including the garage to be in timber as well.
13/00884/ADV & 13/00883/FUL	106 High Street, Newcastle. Ms S Henly. 1 illuminated fascia sign and 1 illuminated projecting sign. Installation of new shop front, 2 air conditioning units and satellite dish.	The Working Party have no objections to the fascia sign but feel that the introduction of a hanging sign in this location is detrimental to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area. They would like the number of the property displaying somewhere on the building.
13/00918/FUL	1 Mount Pleasant, Newcastle. Newcastle-under-Lyme Dental Practice. Single storey extension within existing front courtyard.	This is a keynote building in the Streetscene of this Conservation Area. The Working Party objects to this proposal which does not retain the existing character of the former residential property, in terms of its quality of design and the fact that it comes right up to the

edge of the highway
including the loss of the
gate piers. The Working
Party wants any gate to
be a solid gate to shield
the appearance of the
bins.

MRS G BURNETT
Chair