

CONSERVATION ADVISORY WORKING PARTY

Tuesday, 16th January, 2018
Time of Commencement: 6.30 pm

Present:- Councillor Wenslie Naylor – in the Chair

Councillors Cooper, Gardner and Johnson

Representing Mr David Broome, Newcastle Civic Society
Outside Bodies Dr S. Fisher, Victorian Society
Dr Chris Wakeling

Officers Ms L Wallace

Apologies Councillor Turner

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest stated.

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 19 December, 2017 be agreed as a correct record.

3. PREVIOUSLY CONSIDERED APPLICATIONS

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

4. NEW APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Resolved:- That the following observations be made on the applications listed below:-

26 Church Lane, Wolstanton 17/00992/FUL

The Working Party felt that the 1920's crescent had an interesting and distinctive character and the proposed extension would be an unfortunate loss of that character within the Conservation Area. They recommended siting an extension at the rear in a more imaginative way to avoid harm to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.

One Stop Stores Ltd, Newcastle Road, Madeley 17/01018/ADV

The Working Party welcomes the simplification and renewal of the front elevation but objects strongly to the adverts on the side elevation. This elevation is part of Furnace Lane where the character is leafy, contributing significantly to the appearance of the Conservation Area. The proposed adverts are inappropriate and will urbanise this part of the village and be detrimental to the character of the Conservation Area. There are currently no adverts on this elevation apart from the fascia and it should remain clear not cluttered – it only needs redecorating.

Lower Stoney Low Farmhouse, Three Mile Lane, Keele 17/01028/FUL & 17/01029/LBC

The Working Party admires the ambition of the applicant and generally support the proposals. They would like a more robust and simpler design for the rear storm porch and there was a suggestion that the rooflights could be removed and replaced with a dormer window to the design of that on the NE elevation.

Bradwall House, 16-18 King Street, Newcastle 17/01020/ADV & 17/01019/LBC

The Working Party supports the hanging signs if the brackets can be fixed into the mortar joints but objects to the illuminated banner sign on the side gable as inappropriate in terms of its proportions, positioning and illumination. The sign is not necessary and is not of an appropriate quality as it is a financial business and not one associated with the night time economy.

Butterton Grange, Trentham Road, Acton 17/01002/LBC

The Working Party states that there is insufficient detail to fully assess the impact of this proposal on the Grade II* Listed barns. Without the appropriate level of detail the application should be refused.

Cobra Biolgics, Keele University 17/01027/FUL

The Working Party states that this is an important and very prominent part of the Historic Park and Garden and entrance in the centre of the campus. The building is of traditional design with incremental additions externally to both gables in the form of flues and pipework and vents. The Working Party wants a complete architectural solution to the current proposal, which could make the external industrial units more of a feature, accepting that it will be functional but not just mitigating the harmful effect via a few trees, which will only screen from University Drive. A solid fence or wall might also be a better screening solution. There are no objections to the new entrance or canopy but again, palisade fencing around the relocated tank is not appropriate.

5. CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE FUND

There were no applications.

6. URGENT BUSINESS

There was no Urgent Business.

COUNCILLOR WENSLIE NAYLON
Chair

Meeting concluded at 8.00 pm