

CONSERVATION ADVISORY WORKING PARTY

Tuesday, 8th September, 2020
Time of Commencement: 6.00 pm

Present:- Dr S Fisher – in the Chair
Councillors Ms Allison Gardner
Representing
Outside Bodies
Officers Louise Wallace
Apologies Councillor(s) Miss Julie Cooper,
Trevor Johnson and
Mrs Annabel Lawley

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 11 August 2020 be agreed as a correct record.

3. PREVIOUSLY CONSIDERED APPLICATIONS

Resolved: That the report on the decision 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:-

Betley Court (rear of) Main Road, Betley 20/00655/FUL

The Working Party concludes that the side sheds are unfortunate as the wood colour is very bright, feeling that planting around them will help. It was recommended that the eaves could be painted to match the main building or that they could be painted totally to help them to be more recessive.

Betley Court, Main Road, Betley 20/00685/FUL & 20/00686/LBC

The Working Party is sympathetic to the new roof design solution to deal with the notorious internal gully and problems with the fashionable roofs of the period and has no objections to the internal changes and roof structure by removing the well and using a stepped lead roof. It also accepts the enormous cost of the project and agrees that the timing issue is relevant to preserve the structure. It regrets the proposal to use Welsh slate rather than replace the

Westmorland on the relevant frontage roof slopes. The difference between the slates is colour, texture and thickness with the green colour chosen to compliment the brickwork. The group feels that the Welsh has a more utilitarian colour size and texture and regrets the entire substitution given the very apparent road frontage elevation. They also feel that the graduated slates for the new roof are crucial to the appearance of the refurbished building and its conservation. As a Grade II* house of great importance, this monumental task of rescuing the building needs to get it right.

5. CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE FUND

There were no applications.

6. URGENT BUSINESS

There was no Urgent Business.

DR S FISHER
Chair

Meeting concluded at 7.15 pm