

**CONSERVATION ADVISORY WORKING PARTY**

Tuesday, 26th January, 2021  
Time of Commencement: 5.00 pm

**Present:-** Councillor Julie Cooper – in the Chair  
Councillors June Walklate and Allison Gardner  
Representing Outside Bodies Dr Chris Wakeling, Staffs Historic Building Trust  
Dr S Fisher, Victorian Society  
Mr D Broome, Newcastle Civic Society  
Officers Louise Wallace

**Note:** In line with Government directions on staying at home during the current stage of the CV-19 pandemic, this meeting was conducted as a hybrid meeting with video conferencing in accordance with the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020.

**1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest stated.

**2. APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

**3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 1 December, 2020 be agreed as a correct record.

**4. PREVIOUSLY CONSIDERED APPLICATIONS**

**Resolved:** That the report on the decision 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:-

The Orchard, Brampton Lodge, Newcastle 20/00856/FUL

The Working Party were supportive of the amended design of the dwelling including its smaller footprint. They are also generally happy with the detailing but object to the style of door which is in conflict with the arts and crafts style and want the same attention given to the rear elevation. There is a lack of

detail for the guttering, landscaping and garage doors. For example will the downspouts and hoppers be cast metal? Some members also felt that the chimneys appeared too small in proportion to the dwelling for this style of house. Subject to these changes and clearer details as set out above, the group were generally now supportive of this application

Domvilles Farmhouse, Audley 20/01053/FUL & 20/01054/LBC

The group supported the principle of this proposal but felt that changes were required to make the conversion acceptable in terms of its impact on the historic asset. Firstly the number of rooflights needs to be considerably reduced – they should only used where absolutely necessary and it was suggested that some should be raised higher to gain maximum benefit. The pitching iron/round window should be deleted in accordance with the proposed amendment. Members noticed that the window details were not correct on the survey drawings and that the proposed style of windows was not appropriate to the original character of the barn. This detail needs to be amended on the plans. Also some windows are recessed into the brickwork and this should be retained within the conversion. There was a large crack in the gable end which would need to be rectified and members were disappointed to see that neither of the units were accessible. They would like to see at least one unit altered to make one of the bathrooms DDA compliant. Floor plans indicate that one bedroom is missing a doorway into the room on the ground floor.

**6. CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE FUND**

1 Gladstone Villas, Newcastle 20/210005/HBG

The Working Party supports the application and recommends that Planning Committee accepts the giving of the grant in accordance with the report and terms and conditions.

**7. URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no Urgent Business.

**COUNCILLORS ALLISON GARDNER AND JULIE COOPER**  
**Chair**

Meeting concluded at 6.10 pm