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Conservation Advisory Working Party - 24/07/18

CONSERVATION ADVISORY WORKING PARTY

Tuesday, 24th July, 2018
Time of Commencement: 6.30 pm

Present:- Councillor Allison Gardner – in the Chair

Councillors Miss J Cooper, Johnson, and Wilkes

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

Officers Louise Wallace

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 3 July, 2018 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:-

Sports Hall, University of Keele 18/00456/FUL

The Working Party had no objections in principle to the proposal but wondered if it could be positioned closer to the sports hall away from the edge of the site and potential views across the landscape from Boggs Cottages. No indication is given in the application as to how temporary the permission will be.

Grassed area, adj to St Lukes Church and 173-179 Church Street, Silverdale 18/00469/FUL

The proposal is acceptable in principle but concerns was raised on the fixing of the poppies given they might be vandalised, removed and dangerous. In addition galvanised steel is not particularly durable material and consideration should be given to using stainless steel. In this regard there is also a maintenance programme as wild flower meadows can look untidy if not well looked after. There are no details

for the type and material of the paving or drainage. It was also noted that the memorial is specific to WW1 and not all conflicts.

Former Savoy, The Midway, Newcastle 18/00482/FUL

The Working Party notes the improvements on the approved scheme and its relationship with the existing townscape. It is a good redesign and the reduction in height is welcomed and appears more solid which is successful. The introduction of brick and reduction in the cladding is an improvement and it appears neater at ground level, although the Working Party wish to point out that it would be more successful if it were about 3 storey's lower. Concern was raised over the issues of plant equipment which often is an afterthought and ends up on the roof. Given the issues at Castle House this should not be visible and should be dealt with prior to any approval.

5. CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE FUND

There were no applications.

6. URGENT BUSINESS

There was no Urgent Business.

COUNCILLOR ALLISON GARDNER
Chair

Meeting concluded at 7.25 pm