

CONSERVATION ADVISORY WORKING PARTY

Tuesday, 15th June, 2021
Time of Commencement: 6.30 pm

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| Present:- | Councillor Julie Cooper – in the Chair |
| Councillors | Annabel Lawley, June Walklate and Barry Panter |
| Representing | Mr D Broome – Newcastle Civic Society |
| Outside Bodies | Dr S Fisher – Victorian Society Dr C Wakeling – Staffs Historic Buildings Trust |
| 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**APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors Allison Gardner and Trevor Johnson.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest stated.

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 18 May, 2021 be agreed as a correct record.

4. **NEW APPLICATIONS RECEIVED**

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

Barn View, Lower Stoney Low, Keele 21/00426/FUL

The Working Party were happy that the applicant was considering flush closing casement windows but not with the proposal to use an unnatural and unsustainable material in the listed barns. They should be replaced like for like and in a uniform dark stained colour to remain in harmony with the adjacent properties with which they form an integral part.

Linden House, 17A King Street, Newcastle 21/00440/FUL

The group objected to the proposed railings which were poorly detailed and appeared to be of inappropriate quality in the highly prominent corner. The side of the property was just as prominent and should be treated the same as the frontage, which was with a brick wall, high quality railings. Some members suggested that the wall might be a little higher as a barrier to the busy road.

Oakley Hall, Market Drayton 21/00503/LBC

The group accepted the alterations but wanted to ensure that any details, like architraves and the fireplace, that were uncovered were repaired and reinstated as appropriate. There were also no details of proposed new internal doors and this should also be condition for approval by the LPA to ensure the design is sensitive to the Grade II* Listed Building. Concern was raised over the ventilation of the wet room, given its location in the centre of the property. The Group wanted to condition an architectural watching brief at each stage of the process so that informed judgements could be made on findings and how to treat these.

5. CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE FUND

There were no applications.

6. URGENT BUSINESS

The following item was considered urgent due to the timelines involved with taking the item to the Planning Committee:

Lancaster Buildings, High Street, Newcastle 21/00577/DEEM3 & 21/00578/LBC

The Group objected to this proposal, which is a permanent harmful fixture for a temporary situation. It is harmful to the architectural features of the shop front, like the curved glass doorway, and it means the shop cannot use the display. They appreciate the attempt to have a design but either closed or open this gate will block an important part of the character of the entrance and is unacceptable.

COUNCILLOR JULIE COOPER
Chair

Meeting concluded at 7.45 pm