

CONSERVATION ADVISORY WORKING PARTY

Tuesday, 18th February, 2025
Time of Commencement: 6.30 pm

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Present: Councillor Trevor Johnson (Chair)

Councillors: Barker MBE

Apologies: Councillor(s) Lawley and Reece
Andrew McPhee

Substitutes: Councillor Lesley Richards
(In place of Councillor Annabel Lawley)
Councillor Ruth Wright

Officers: Louise Wallace Urban Design/Conservation Officer

Also in attendance: Mr David Broome
Dr Sukey Venables Fisher
Parish Councillor Chrissy Mrozicki

1. MINUTE OF SILENCE

A minute of silence was observed in respect of the passing of the Mayor of Newcastle-under-Lyme, Cllr. Barry Panter.

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 21st January 2025 be agreed as a correct record.

4. PREVIOUSLY CONSIDERED APPLICATIONS

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

5. NEW APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Resolved: That the following observations be made:

Betley Court, Main Road, Betley 25/00006/FUL & 25/00007/LBC

The Working Party had no objections to the next phase of the works.

Prospect House, Main Road, Betley 24/00884/FUL & 24/00885/LBC

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The Working Party objected to the proposal as conspicuous on this quietly important listed building which was modest and simple without fussy details. They considered that this choice of positioning was lazy and unsympathetic and did not preserve the significance of the building. The unit should be moved to a more considered and sympathetic location and any damage to the brickwork made good by an appropriately qualified builder.

Former Wilkos, Castle Walk, Newcastle 25/00030/ADV

The Working Party had no objections.

8 Brassington Street, Betley 25/00033/FUL

The Working Party objected to the design of the extension as too large, poor quality and inappropriate particularly on this elevation and for the existing character of the house which was simple and plain. The group considered that there was scope for an extension if properly designed. A two-storey gable extension would create a more balanced approach.

6. CONSERVATION AND HERITAGE FUND

There were no applications for funding.

7. URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business.

**Councillor Trevor Johnson
Chair**

Meeting concluded at 7.30 pm