

CONSERVATION ADVISORY WORKING PARTY

Tuesday 19 February 2013

Present:- Councillor Mrs G Burnett – in the Chair
Councillors Allport, Miss Cooper, Robinson and Wilkes
Representing Mr R Manning - North Staffs Society of Architects
Outside Bodies Mr R Redgewell – Newcastle Civic Society
Mr F Colella – Staffordshire Parks and Gardens Trust
C Cooper – Audley Parish Council
B Proctor – Audley Parish Council

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Mr Chatterton and Mrs Henshaw.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Robinson and Mr F Colella declared an interest in relation to The Old Vicarage, Haddon Lane, Maer.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Resolved:- That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 29 January 2013 be agreed as a correct record.

4. PREVIOUSLY CONSIDERED PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Resolved:- That the decisions 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:-

<u>App No</u>	<u>Proposed development and name of applicant</u>	<u>Comments</u>
12/00835/ADV	Keele Hall, Keele. Keele University. Three freestanding monolith signs at various locations adjacent to Keele Hall/Gardens.	The Working Party found the timber sign (location 1) acceptable but strongly objected to the aluminium plinth for signs 2 and 3, which should be an alternative material such as stone or timber. The map sign at the top of the drive should only be a directional sign at location 2a.

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13/00045/FUL	Bougey Arms, Nantwich Road, Audley. J Booth, Daniel Thwaites plc. Retention of raised deck area.	The Working Party objected to the structure and felt it was an inappropriate design and location that had a detrimental affect on the character and appearance of the Conservation Area.
12/00791/FUL	Church of Jesus Christ, Brampton Road, Newcastle. Mr T Michael. Car park extension.	The Working Party felt that the trees were a valuable asset to the Conservation Area and should be retained. The application should get a comprehensive tree appraisal and consider a non-dig construction with a revised car park layout.
13/00038/ADV	Lloyds TSB, 46-48 High Street, Newcastle. Lloyds Banking Group. Various illuminated signage to front elevation.	The fascia sign was acceptable but the Working Party objected to the bright green signs for the poster and cash machine surrounds. The Working Party requested that a note be added to the decision notice so that the number of the property can be included on the fascia sign to enable easier identification of the property.
13/00003/LBC & 13/00005/FUL	The Old Vicarage, Haddon Lane, Maer. Removal of existing outbuilding and erection of replacement single storey outbuilding. Refurbishment of garage and alterations to existing driveway turning area.	The Working Party had no objections to the proposal but requested that the colour of the timber boarding on the extension be painted a colour sympathetic to the landscape.

6. MATTERS ARISING

The Conservation Officer informed the group that following consideration of a supplementary report, the Planning Committee approved the grant for Mow House Farmhouse, Mow Cop on 5 February 2013. The recommendation to defer the decision by the Working Party was not considered appropriate or proportionate given the nature of the works proposed, the NPPF guidance and the terms and conditions for the Historic Building Grant.

7. **AUDLEY CONSERVATION AREA APPRAISAL AND MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Resolved:- That the Working Party recommends the documents to be approved for consultation purposes.

MRS G BURNETT
Chair