

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE
HELD AT BURNTWOOD LIBRARY, SANKEYS CORNER
ON THURSDAY 17 MAY 2012 COMMENCING AT 7.00 P.M.**

PRESENT

Councillor Walker MBE (in the Chair)
Councillors Bradbury, Mrs Brettell, Drinkwater, Mrs Evans, Mrs Fisher, Heath, Isaacs, Norman,
Mrs Stokes, Taylor, Mrs Tranter, Willis-Croft and Mrs Woodward.

In attendance

Ms J Minor, Administrative Assistant
Inspector J White, Lichfield and District LPT Commander
Mrs R Plant, Director - Operational Services, Lichfield District Council
One member of the public

ENFORCEMENT OF THE HIGHWAY CODE

The Chairman welcomed Inspector White and Mrs Plant to the meeting. Members outlined their concerns relating to which Authority (Police, Lichfield District Council, Staffordshire County Council) were responsible for enforcement of the Highway Code. Members were given the opportunity for a question and answer session.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors Mrs Banevicius, Brown, Campbell, Constable, Humphreys, James and Mrs Rigby.

2. GENERAL DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All District Councillors present wished it to be recorded that their views were a preliminary view and one they may change when they hear all the evidence at the District Council's Planning Committee.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED That the Minutes of the Planning Applications Committee Meeting held on 26 April 2012 (Minute Nos. 86 - 90) be approved and adopted.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED That the following comments be submitted to the Local Planning Authority:

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| (a) | 12/00352/FUL | Chasetown | Wm Morrison Supermarkets Plc
High Street
Chasetown | Retention of steel mesh
and post fencing to
part of existing
customer trolley bay |
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under the store canopy to use as external garden centre and installation of trolley bay header rails for relocated trolleys

Support in principle but concerns were raised as to health and safety issues and pedestrian safety as the structure is on the corner of the building. It is not clear whether the structure in situ at present is permanent as it looks more temporary.

It was noted that this was a retrospective planning application.

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| (b) | 12/00353/ADV | Chasetown | Wm Morrison Supermarkets Plc
High Street
Chasetown | Retention of entrance fascia signs and hanging advertisement within the garden centre |
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No objection provided the proposal satisfies the Local Planning Authority's criteria on advertising.

It was noted that this was a retrospective planning application.

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| (c) | 12/00390/FUL | Central | Mr B Mantle
26 Rochester Avenue
Burntwood | Conversion of garage to lounge and utility and repositioning of boundary fence |
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No objection to the conversion of the garage to lounge and utility, however, the repositioning of the boundary fence would change the aspect of the area/streetscene and would distract from the open aspect of the area. The Local Planning Authority need to satisfy themselves on access/egress.

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| (d) | 12/00391/FUL | Chase Terrace | Mr N Price
32 Ironstone Road
Burntwood | Two storey rear extension and alterations to form garage, kitchen, dining room, utility, bedrooms and en-suite |
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No objection.

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| (e) | 12/00452/FUL | Central | Mr J Garland
29 Ashmead Road
Burntwood | Single storey front extension to form kitchen and bedroom |
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No comment.

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| (f) | 12/00477/COU | Chasetown | Mr R Stretton
Unit 4
Queens Drive
Chasetown | Change of use of existing unit to form cafeteria |
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No objection should the proposed cafeteria be for staff use only, however, concerns were expressed that should the cafeteria be open to the general public then conditions regarding opening hours, adequate car parking and environmental issues should be addressed.

5. ENFORCEMENT ISSUES

5.1 Travellers on land off Stables Way

Members were informed that travellers had moved on from Stables Way, however, they had now set up camp by the Volvo Garage. Members were also informed that the relevant Authorities had been notified and appropriate action was being taken.

RESOLVED That the information be received and noted.

5.2 Go Tyres, Burntwood

Members were informed that the company 'Go Tyres' had now moved.

RESOLVED That the information be received and noted.

5.3 Closure of Pool Road, Chasetown

Members were informed that now that the Chasewater Dam works had been completed, Staffordshire County Council had no intention of re-opening Pool Road, Chasetown which is closed on a Temporary Road Closure Order but the County Highways Department is seeking to make the Order a permanent one. This would mean that people living in Burntwood would not be able to drive across the dam to gain access to the other side of Chasewater but would have to use the very busy A5.

RESOLVED That a letter be sent to the Highways Department at Staffordshire County Council asking who will they be consulting as to the permanent Road Closure Order and how wide the consultation exercise will be.

(The Meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.)

Signed

Date