

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE
HELD AT BURNTWOOD LIBRARY, SANKEYS CORNER
ON THURSDAY 28 MARCH 2013 COMMENCING AT 7.00 P.M.**

PRESENT

Councillor Willis-Croft (in the Chair)

Councillors Mrs Banevicius, Bradbury, Brown, Campbell, Drinkwater, Mrs Evans, Humphreys, James, Norman, Taylor, Mrs Tranter and Mrs Woodward

In attendance

Ms J Minor, Administrative Assistant

One member of the public

87. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors Mrs Brettell, Isaacs, Mrs Stokes and Walker MBE

88. 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.

89. MINUTES

RESOLVED That the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 07 March 2013 (Minute Nos. 82 - 86) be approved and adopted.

90. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

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| (a) | 13/00161/FUL | Summerfield | Mr G May
213 Queen Street
Burntwood | Installation of dropped
kerb |
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Comment: If the application results in another car being removed from parking on the road, then the Town Council has no objection.

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| (b) | 13/00242/FUL | | LCP Properties Limited
Unit 17, Zone 3
Burntwood Business Park
Cinder Road
Burntwood | Replacement of factory
roof and installation of
over cladding to
existing building |
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No objection.

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| (c) | 13/00246/FUL | All Saints | Mr B Fisher
12 Fairford Gardens
Burntwood | Two storey side extension and loft conversion with dormer to form kitchen, utility, shower room, en-suite and bedrooms |
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No objection.

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| (d) | 13/00250/FULM | Chasetown | Freemans Holding Limited
Former Acorn Garage
82 Queen Street
Burntwood | Erection of 14 no. residential units (comprising 6 no. 2 bedroom and 8 no. 3 bedroom units) with associated works |
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Comment: Notwithstanding the comments/thoughts of the Local Planning Authority, the Town Council feels that this developer should be encouraged and 'not put off' as there is a huge need/demand for two bedroomed affordable properties. The Local Planning Authority should encourage/resolve any problems/issues they may have regarding this application.

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| (e) | 13/00257/FUL | Chase Terrace | Mr and Mrs Blackshaw
72 Fair Lady Drive
Burntwood | Single storey front extension to form garage and porch |
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Slight concern was expressed by Members as this is a front extension and the impact it would have on the street scene should it exceed the 'building line'.

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| (f) | 13/00286/COU | Highfield | MacGregor Developments
Land adjacent
163 Woodhouses Road
Burntwood | Conversion of existing barn to form a 2 bedroom dwelling |
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No objection.

91. ENFORCEMENT ISSUES

91.1 Baron Close/Viscount Road, Burntwood (Minute No. 86.1 refers)

Members were informed that Councillor Drinkwater had met with John Smith, Greens and Open Spaces Strategic Manager, LDC on 27 March 2013 and that Mr Smith was now 'on the case'. Mr Smith was now looking at ways (that fit in with the environment) to resolve the matter, e.g. tree planting.

RESOLVED That the information be received and noted.

91.2 Melford Rise, Burntwood

Members were informed that a van was parked in Melford Rise causing an obstruction.

RESOLVED THAT:

- a) Councillor Willis-Croft obtain the registration number of the offending vehicle.
- b) An email be sent to the Police reinforcing the obligations of the Police in enforcing the Highway Code.

91.3 LCP Properties Limited, Burntwood Business Park - Statement of Intent

Members were informed that a Statement of Intent (circulated at the meeting) had been received from G H Design Limited, agents acting for LCP Properties Limited, stating that the intent of the planning applications recently submitted was purely to help market the vacant units in an attempt to bring the estate back to its vibrant commercial use creating new businesses and jobs within the area.

RESOLVED That the Statement of Intent should be welcomed.

91.4 Donation of Blood - Burntwood Institute, Rugeley Road, Burntwood

Members were informed that 'National Blood Transfusion - Giving of Blood' signage was being displayed on lamp posts around the Town.

RESOLVED That this matter be reported to the Enforcement Officer at LDC.

91.5 Bridge Cross Road, Burntwood (Minute No. 86.2 refers)

Members were informed that an email response had been received from Christine Hibbs, Principal Planning Officer (Enforcement), LDC (circulated at the meeting).

In respect of:

"ii. The amount of land enclosed is only 46 sq. metres in area" - Members were of the opinion that any area regardless of size was still 'land grabbing'.

RESOLVED That the Enforcement Officer be informed of the Town Council's comments.

(The Meeting closed at 7.20 p.m.)

Signed

Date