

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE  
HELD AT BURNTWOOD LIBRARY, SANKEYS CORNER  
ON THURSDAY 08 MAY 2014 COMMENCING AT 8.55 P.M.**

**PRESENT**

Councillor Drinkwater (in the Chair)

Councillors Mrs Banevicius, Bradbury, Ms Brettell, Brown, Campbell, Mrs Evans, Mrs Fisher, Humphreys, Isaacs, James, Mosson, Norman, Mrs Rigby, Mrs Stokes, Taylor, Mrs Tranter, Walker MBE, Willis-Croft and Mrs Woodward

**In attendance**

Ms J Minor, Administrative Assistant  
6 members of the public

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillors Constable and Heath.

**2. GENERAL DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS**

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 Committee Meeting held on 17 April 2014 (Minute Nos. 89 - 94) be approved as a correct record.

**4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

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

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| (a) | 14/00029/COU | Walsall Burial Park<br>Burntwood Way<br>Burntwood | Change of use of existing cemetery building to crematorium <b>(Amended plans to show one cremator and one chimney together with supporting statement of operations and hours)</b> |
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Following on from the Town Council's previous objections, Members felt that certain objections had not been fully addressed.

STRONG OBJECTION on the following grounds:

- **Inadequate parking provision.** Members felt that the provision of 'overspill' parking within the site as suggested by Staffordshire County Council was still inadequate. Members were informed that on several occasions cars had been seen to be parked on grass verges in Burntwood Way. Members felt that adequate parking needed to be provided to meet the need and a condition imposed to limit the number of cars on the site at any one time.
- **No proper screening for the whole site** (visual impact, privacy) has been provided. Even though a landscaping scheme had previously been agreed, Members felt that this was inadequate and needed to be looked at again by the Local Planning Authority.
- Members felt that the size of the proposed crematorium was impracticable and questioned whether the existing building was capable of fulfilling the criteria.

(b)	14/00134/FUL	Highfield	Mr R Whitbrook 95 Rugeley Road Burntwood	Erection of a detached double garage in front garden
	No objection.			
(c)	14/00273/FUL		Mr G Tabberer Maplebrook Farm Lower Lane Chorley	Erection of agricultural building for the storage of farm equipment and animal feed
	No objection.			
(d)	14/00391/FUL	Central	Mr L Shakespeare 9 Halston Road Burntwood	First floor side extension over existing utility room to form bedroom
	No objection.			
(e)	14/00414/FUL	All Saints	Mr P Booth 24 Boney Hay Road Burntwood	Variation of condition no. 2 of application 13/00085/FUL – relating to increased size of extension to front
	No objection.			

## **5. ENFORCEMENT ISSUES**

### **5.1** No enforcement issues were raised.

(The Meeting closed at 9.19 p.m.)

Signed .....

Date .....