

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE
HELD AT BURNTWOOD LIBRARY, SANKEYS CORNER
ON WEDNESDAY 18 JULY 2012 COMMENCING AT 7.00 P.M.**

PRESENT

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

In attendance

Ms J Minor, Administration Assistant
26 Members of the Public

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (STANDING ORDER 1(E))

Mr I Brett of Access Bookings Limited advised Members on the present position regarding Access Bookings Limited. He stated that mistakes had been made in the past in not obtaining the relevant planning permission but this was being rectified.

19. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors Mrs Banevicius, Brown, Drinkwater, Mrs Fisher and Mosson.

20. 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.

21. MINUTES

RESOLVED That the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 28 June 2012 (Minute Nos. 12 - 18) be approved and adopted.

22. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

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| (a) | 12/00302/FUL | Chase Terrace | Mr V Clarke
20 Thorpe Avenue
Burntwood | Single storey rear extension to form kitchen and bedroom |
| | | | | No objection. |
| (b) | 12/00567/COU | All Saints | Mr M Starkey
3 Rugeley Road
Burntwood | Change of use from shop to a two bedroom flat |

Comment: Concern was expressed that should the Local Planning Authority be mindful to grant consent that adequate parking should be provided along with space for bins/refuge and the associated access/egress.

Members were disappointed to see the loss of another shop.

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| (c) | 12/00594/FUL | Chasetown | Mr A Everall
Land rear of
161-167 High Street
Chasetown | Conversion of existing shop to 1 bedroom flat and erection of 6 dwellings with associated works |
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Recommend REFUSAL on the following grounds:-

- The proposed development by virtue of its scale would represent over intensive use of the site (number of dwellings to be erected at the rear).
- Inadequate parking.
- Inadequate turning space within the site.
- No bin/refuge storage.
- Highway issues including access/egress (crossing the footpath to gain access).
- Pedestrian safety on an already very busy road (bearing in mind the very close proximity of the Leisure Centre/Health Centre).

(MEMBERS DECLARED A PERSONAL INTEREST IN THIS APPLICATION AS THE APPLICANT IS KNOWN TO THEM. COUNCILLOR BRADBURY DECLARED A PREJUDICIAL INTEREST IN THIS APPLICATION AND LEFT THE ROOM DURING CONSIDERATION THEREOF).

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| (d) | 12/00602/FUL | Highfield | Mr and Mrs G E Martin
19 Hunslet Road
Burntwood | Erection of a retaining wall to front |
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Comment: The Local Planning Authority to ensure that the design and type of the wall is not detrimental to the open aspect of the area/estate.

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| (e) | 12/00617/FUL | Highfield | Mrs B Stevenson
67 Hunslet Road
Burntwood | Single and two storey side and rear extensions to form dining room, kitchen, study, bedroom and en-suite |
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No objection.

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| (f) | 12/00626/ADV | Chasetown | Mr M S Dhillon
Post Office
57 High Street
Chasetown | Installation 2 projecting signs and an illuminated fascia sign |
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No objections provided the proposal adheres to the Local Planning Authority's strict criteria on projecting and illuminated fascia signs.

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| (g) | 12/00627/COU | Chasetown | Mr G Singh
Lambourne House
Bridge Cross Road
Burntwood | Conversion of first floor from snooker hall to 4 two bedroom apartments |
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No objections in principle provided that, as there are public buildings attached to this

application site, an adequate fire escape is provided in respect of Unit 1, Lambourne House and that adequate parking be provided to the rear for both occupiers of the apartments and for other users of the units.

(BURNTWOOD TOWN COUNCIL DECLARED A PERSONAL INTEREST IN THIS APPLICATION AS THEIR PREMISES ARE ATTACHED TO THE APPLICATION SITE).

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| (h) | 12/00640/COU | Chase Terrace | Access Bookings Limited
78 Princess Street
Burntwood | Change of use to offices and the erection of a two storey rear extension |
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STRONG OBJECTIONS on the following grounds:

- a. Loss of amenity.
- b. Traffic and highway safety (Princess Street is a very narrow road).
- c. Loss of residential accommodation in a residential area (not an appropriate location for a business – the applicant should be encouraged to look for appropriate alternative office space within the Town not in a residential area).
- d. The applicant's website states that its registered office is in Lichfield, not Burntwood.
- e. The applicant's website states that its business hours are 365 days, 24/7 not 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. as stated in the planning application.

Members also asked that:

- a. The Highways Authority be challenged on the safety of road users/pedestrians at the exit from the site.
- b. More investigation be undertaken on the impact of on-street parking on the area.

If the Local Planning Authority is minded to approve the application Members ask that the following conditions be set:

- a. That the gate remain open at all times.
- b. That the hours of business be restricted to 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Friday.
- c. That the chalet type building on the site be removed before planning permission for the current application is confirmed.

(COUNCILLORS MRS EVANS, WALKER AND MRS WOODWARD DECLARED A PERSONAL INTEREST IN THIS APPLICATION AS THEY ARE MEMBERS OF CHASE TERRACE METHODIST CHURCH).

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| (i) | 12/00650/FUL | Highfield | Maple Hayes Hall School
Abnalls Lane
Lichfield | Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of a powder coated conservatory to rear |
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No objection.

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| (j) | 12/00651/LBC | Highfield | Maple Hayes Hall School
Abnalls Lane
Lichfield | Works to listed building to enable the demolition of existing conservatory and erection of a powder coated conservatory to rear |
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Comment: The Local Planning Authority to ensure that the proposal 'fits in' the location and adheres/fulfils the strict criteria on Listed Building consent.

(COUNCILLOR CONSTABLE DECLARED A PERSONAL INTEREST IN THIS APPLICATION AS THE APPLICANT IS KNOWN TO HIM).

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| (k) | 12/00665/COU | | MLW Tan Limited
Unit 18B
Burntwood Business Park
Zone 1
Cobbett Road
Burntwood | Change of use of industrial unit into a tanning salon |
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No objection.

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| (l) | 12/00680/ADV | Chasetown | Aldi Stores Limited
Bridge Cross Working Mens Club
Bridge Cross Road
Burntwood | Illuminated Aldi signs |
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No objections in principle provided the proposal adheres to the Local Planning Authority's strict criteria on illuminated fascia signs and that the design of the illuminated signs should be appropriate/sympathetic for what is a prominent site to ensure that the signs fit into the setting.

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| (m) | 12/00684/FUL | Chasetown | Mr B Cherrington
Burntwood Building Management Services Ltd
8 High Street
Chasetown | Alterations to provide new shop front |
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No objection.

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| (n) | 12/00685/FUL | Boney Hay | Mr B Bayley
140 Ogley Hay Road
Burntwood | Variation of condition no. 2 of application 09/00781/FUL to see reduction length of gardens for the 2 semi detached dormer bungalows |
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Comment: Concern was expressed as to why there needs to be a reduction in the length of the gardens as no explanation had been given.

23. ENFORCEMENT ISSUES

23.1 Ironstone Road, Chase Terrace (Minute No. 11.1 refers)

Members were informed that the skip had been removed but had been replaced with an unsightly 'sand bag'.

RESOLVED That this matter be reported to Staffordshire Highways.

23.2 23 Poplar Avenue, Burntwood

Members were informed that there did not appear to be any breach onto LDC owned land and that Chasetown Ward Members had visited Mr Waldron to discuss the matter further.

23.3 Aldi Stores Limited, A5190 Milestone Way, Burntwood

Concern was expressed by Members that the Local Planning Authority should 'keep a close eye' on the development of Aldi, as this is a prominent site to ensure that ALL CONDITIONS are strictly being adhered to.

RESOLVED That the Local Planning Authority 'keep a close eye' on the development to ensure that all conditions are strictly being adhered to.

(The Meeting closed at 7.35 p.m.)

Signed

Date