

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE
HELD AT BURNTWOOD LIBRARY, SANKEYS CORNER
ON THURSDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2014 COMMENCING AT 7.00 P.M.**

PRESENT

Councillor Drinkwater (in the Chair)
Councillors Ms Brettell, Brown, Campbell, Mrs Evans, James, Mosson, Norman, Mrs Rigby, Mrs Stokes, Taylor, Mrs Tranter, Walker MBE, Willis-Croft and Mrs Woodward

In attendance

Ms J Minor, Administrative Assistant
One member of the public

72. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors Mrs Banevicius, Constable, Mrs Fisher, Heath and Humphreys.

73. 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.

74. MINUTES

RESOLVED That the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 23 January 2014 (Minute Nos. 66 - 71) be approved as a correct record.

75. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

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| (a) | 14/00004/FUL | Summer field | Bromford Housing Association
Land rear
42 and 48 Cedar Close
Burntwood | Installation of two new
lighting columns |
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Comment: That the Town Council supports this application.

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| (b) | 14/00029/COU | | Midlands Funeral Directors Ltd
Walsall Burial Park
Burntwood Way
Burntwood | Change of use of existing
cemetery building to
crematorium |
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STRONG OBJECTION on the following grounds:

- Inappropriate development within the Green Belt.
- Members felt that the size of the proposed crematorium is impracticable.
- Inadequate parking provision.
- Highway issues - access/egress.
- No environmental impact assessment (noise, air pollution) has been provided.
- No traffic assessment has been provided.
- No proper screening for the whole site (visual impact, privacy) has been provided.

Members asked that if the original application had included a crematorium, would the Local Planning Authority have been minded to grant planning permission in the first instance?

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| (c) | 14/00034/FUL | All Saints | RSD Stapleford Limited
Former The Greyhound
Boney Hay Road
Burntwood | Erection of 5 detached
dwellings and associated
works |
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Comment: Whilst Members cannot object to the proposed development in principle the following concerns were raised:

- Whilst the principle of residential development on this site would appear to be acceptable, has the applicant demonstrated that this site could be satisfactorily developed independently from the adjoining land?
- Does the application demonstrate that the proposal would not result in the unacceptable loss of or damage to trees and hedges which would further erode the character and distinctiveness of the surrounding area?
- Does this application, compared to the previous application (12/00505/FUL), still constitute over intensive development of the site resulting in a cramped and awkward relationship within the proposed development?

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| (d) | 14/00036/FUL | Boney Hay | Mr and Mrs M Harvey
4 Spinney Close
Burntwood | First floor extension over
kitchen and garage to
form study and bedroom
with en-suite |
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Comment: Members expressed concerns at what would appear to be a large extension to the front of the property which would be out of keeping with the existing properties in the streetscene.

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| (e) | 14/00038/FUL | All Saints | Cherry Orchard
Gardening Services
Burntwood Memorial Institute
Rugeley Road
Burntwood | Retention of poly tunnel,
container and shed |
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Comment: That sympathetic planting be required to screen the buildings from neighbouring residential properties.

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| (f) | 14/00039/FUL | Chase
Terrace | Mr A Manley
43 Ironstone Road
Burntwood | Erection of a single
storey detached building
to form annexe in rear
garden comprising two
bedrooms, bathroom,
kitchen and lounge |
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STRONG OBJECTION on the following grounds:

- The proposal is undesirable backland development.
- The proposed development would result in infilling of open space.
- The proposal would result in the loss of openness in what is already a compact street.

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| (g) | 14/00064/FUL | Chasetown | Mr N Gulliver
Land rear
175-177 High Street
Chasetown | Erection of two 2
bedroom detached
dwellings each with a
single detached garage
and associated works |
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STRONG OBJECTION on the following grounds:

- The proposal is undesirable backland development.
- The proposed development would result in infilling of open space.
- The proposal would result in the loss of openness in what is already a compact street.
- Highway issues - access/egress must be wide enough to allow for emergency vehicles.

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| (h) | 14/00067/FUL | Chasetown | Burntwood Town Council
Unit 1
Lambourne House
Bridge Cross Road
Burntwood | Installation of new shop
front and door |
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No objection in planning terms.

(MEMBERS DECLARED A PERSONAL INTEREST IN THIS APPLICATION AS THEY ARE TENANTS).

76. ENFORCEMENT ISSUES

76.1 Responses on Enforcement Issues since the previous Planning Applications Committee

The responses received on Enforcement Issues since the previous Planning Applications Committee were circulated at the meeting.

RESOLVED That the information be received and noted.

76.2 Notices advertising Slimming Clubs around the Town

Members were informed that Slimming Clubs (Weight Watchers, Slimming World) were advertising around the Town especially outside St John Community Church and Chasetown Methodist Church.

RESOLVED That the signage be removed by Councillor Brown.

76.3 Notices advertising 6 a side Football

Members were informed that notices advertising 6 a side football were being displayed on Milestone Way, the blue hoardings and Cannock Road, Chase Terrace.

RESOLVED That a letter be sent asking that the 6 a side football refrain from advertising around the Town.

76.4 Vehicle parked in Melford Rise without a Valid Tax Disc

Members were informed that the vehicle had been reported to Chasetown Police Station, Matthew Ellis (Crime Commissioner), Sue Arnold (Deputy Crime Commissioner) and DVLA. Members were informed that this was recently brought to the attention of Lichfield District Council's Local Parking Board.

RESOLVED That the information be received and noted.

76.5 Parking of Vehicles in Attwood Road

Members were informed that vehicles were parking in Attwood Road. Members were informed that this was recently brought to the attention of Lichfield District Council's Local Parking Board who informed Members that this was now on the priority list/programme for future improvements.

RESOLVED That the information be received and noted.

(The Meeting closed at 7.36 p.m.)

Signed

Date