

**CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE**  
**PLANNING CONTROL COMMITTEE**

**HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12 AUGUST, 2020 AT 3:00 P.M.**

**VIA REMOTE ACCESS**

**PART 1**

PRESENT: Councillors      Cartwright, Mrs. S. (Chairman)

Allen, F.W.C.	Pearson, A.R.
Dudson, A.	Smith, C.D.
Fitzgerald, Mrs. A.A.	Thompson, Mrs. S.L.
Jones, Mrs. V.	Todd, Mrs. D.M.
Muckley, A.	Witton, P.

(This meeting could not be held at the Civic Centre due to the Coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic. It was therefore held remotely).

**26. Apologies**

Apologies for absence were submitted for Councillor P. Startin (Vice-Chairman), A. Layton and Mrs. P.Z. Stretton.

**27. Declarations of Interests of Members in Contracts and Other Matters and Restriction on Voting by Members**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Type</b>
Dudson, A.	Application CH/20/198, Land off Stokes Lane, Norton Canes, WS12 3HJ, change of use of land to use as a residential caravan site for 4 gypsy families each with 2 caravans (1x static), layout of hardstanding, erection of a dayroom, 3 no. utility buildings – Member declared that he had predetermined the application – he may remain in the remote meeting whilst the application was determined but not participate.	Predetermination

**28. Disclosure of Lobbying of Members**

Nothing declared.

**29. Members' Requests for Site Visits**

None

**30. Application CH/20/161, 31 Littleworth Hill, Littleworth, Cannock WS12 1NS – Retention of works to the rear garden and retention of fence**

Consideration was given to the report of the Development Control Manager (Item 6.1 – 6.12 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

The Development Control Manager provided a presentation to the Committee outlining the application showing photographs and plans of the proposals.

Prior to consideration of the application representations were made by Mr. Whitehouse, an objector.

RESOLVED:

That the application be deferred to enable the Planning Officers to visit the objector's property and take photographs and these be brought back to the Committee for consideration.

**31. Application CH/20/165 - Unit 33 Martindale Trading Estate, Martindale, Hawks Green, Cannock WS11 7XN – Re-submission – variation of condition (4) of Planning Permission (CH/99/0539) to allow movement of vehicles Mon-Fri 4am-6pm, Sat 8am-2pm, all other operations from 8am onwards**

Consideration was given to the report of the Development Control Manager (Item 6.13 – 6.31 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

The Development Control Manager provided a presentation to the Committee outlining the application showing photographs and plans of the proposals.

Prior to consideration of the application representations were made by Paul Outhwaite and Nigel Bullock (objectors) who shared the ten minutes and Councillor Mrs. C. Mitchell (Ward Councillor) who were all speaking against the application. Further representations were made by Louise Jackson (applicant) speaking in support of the application.

Following a debate Councillor Muckley moved that the application be refused and Councillor Pearson seconded this; however, no reasons were put forward.

The Committee discussed deferment of the application to enable Officers to enter into discussions with the applicant around the introduction of mitigation measures.

Councillor Allen then moved a motion to approve the application for a temporary 12 month period. Councillor Pearson withdrew his seconding of the motion to refuse.

The Principal Solicitor asked whether any Member wished to second the motion to refuse. There was no seconder for this motion.

Councillor Pearson then seconded Councillor Allen's motion and, following a vote, this was carried.

The Development Control Manager clarified that the granting of temporary permission would enable a period of assessment and evidence gathering and

possible mitigation measures to be introduced.

RESOLVED:

That the application be approved for a temporary 12 month period subject to the conditions contained in the report (as modified in so much as they acknowledge that this is a temporary permission) for the reasons stated therein.

**32. Application CH/20/198, Land off Stokes Lane, Norton Canes, Cannock WS12 3HJ – change of use of land to use as a residential caravan site for 4 gypsy families each with 2 caravans (1x static), layout of hardstanding, erection of a dayroom, 3 no. utility buildings**

At this point in the meeting Councillor A. Dudson declared that he had pre-determined the application. The Principal Solicitor advised that the Councillor that he may remain in the remote meeting whilst the application was determined but not participate.

Consideration was given to the report of the Development Control Manager (Item 6.32 – 6.86 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

The Development Control Manager provided a presentation to the Committee outlining the application showing photographs and plans of the proposals. He advised that there was an error in report and this had been emailed to Members as an update prior to the meeting. The error was as follows:-

*Paragraph 4.13.6 should be amended to read: -*

*“Officers would respond that although the information is limited it is proportionate and sufficient for the purposes of determining this application.”*

Prior to consideration of the application representations were made by Parish Councillor J. Bernard (Norton Canes Parish Council), Parish Councillor L. Bullock (Heath Hayes & Wimblebury Parish Council), Councillor J. Newbury (Ward Councillor), Councillor J. Preece (Ward Councillor). Further representations were made by Philip Brown (applicant’s agent) who was speaking in favour of the application.

Councillor Dudson left the meeting prior to the representations being made by the applicant’s agent.

RESOLVED:

That the application be approved subject to the completion of a unilateral undertaking to secure mitigation for impacts of visitor pressure on Cannock Chase SAC and the conditions contained in the report for the reasons stated therein.

(Councillor Mrs. D. Todd requested that her name be recorded as having voted against this decision).

The meeting closed at 5.45pm.

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CHAIRMAN