

**CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE**  
**PLANNING CONTROL COMMITTEE**  
**WEDNESDAY, 23 OCTOBER, 2013 AT 3.00 P.M.**  
**IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, BEECROFT ROAD, CANNOCK**

**PART 1**

PRESENT: Councillors

Cartwright, Mrs. S.M. (Chairman)  
Kraujalis, J.T. (Vice-Chairman)

Allen, F.W.C.	Rowley, J.
Ball, G.D.	Stretton, Mrs. P.Z.
Fisher, P.	Sutherland, M.
Freeman, Miss. M.A.	Todd, Mrs. D.M.
Grocott, M.R.	Todd, R.
Pearson, A.	Whitehouse, Mrs. L.

**40. Apologies**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor C. Anslow.

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

The following declarations were made in addition to those already confirmed by Members in the Register of Members Interests:

<u>Member</u>	<u>Nature of Interest</u>	<u>Type</u>
Pearson, A.	Application CH/13/0245, Alterations to Hednesford Park, Hednesford – Member of Friends of Hednesford Park	Personal

**42. Disclosure of lobbying of Members**

None declared.

**43. Minutes**

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2 October, 2013 be approved as a correct record.

**44. Members' requests for site visits**

RESOLVED:

That the following site visits be undertaken:

- Application yet to be submitted - ThyssenKrupp, Wolverhampton Road, Cannock
- CH/13/0359 - Red Lion, 19 Market Street, Rugeley, Residential development, outline planning permission for residential development with all matters reserved
- CH13/0020 - 71 Burntwood Road, Norton Canes, Cannock, outline planning permission for erection of 65 no. houses and associated works (outline, access and layout) and retention of 71 Burntwood Road

**45. Application CH/12/0306, Residential development – two storey side extension to form new 3 bedroom house, 1 Chaseley Avenue, Cannock**

The Committee noted that the application had been withdrawn.

**46. Application CH/13/0310, Retrospective application for canopy to front elevation, 72 Newhall Street, Cannock**

Following a site visit by Members of the Committee consideration was given to the Report of the Development Control Manager (Item No. 6.14 – 6.19 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

Prior to consideration of the application representations were made by Ms. Connelly (on behalf of the applicant) in support of the application.

RESOLVED:

That the application be approved for the reasons stated therein.

**47. Application CH/13/0295, Variation of condition 31 of planning permission CH/11/0249 for the removal of 2.4m high acoustic timber fencing from the 3G synthetic football pitch, Cardinal Griffin Catholic High School, Cardinal Way, Cannock**

Members of the Committee undertook a site visit of the application site. The Chairman advised Members that a resident, who was due to make representations objecting to the application at today's meeting, had expressed concern that she had been unaware that the time of the site visit had been brought forward and was therefore not present at the site visit to observe the proceedings. The Development Control Manager advised that the application should be deferred to allow the site visit to be undertaken again and any resident(s) or objectors the opportunity to attend.

Members made reference to the protocol for site visits which outlined that, where objectors were present at a site visit, they may listen to the

discussions but must not participate. Members considered that as no communication can take place between the applicant, Officers, Members and any objectors during the site visit there would be no benefit in undertaking the site visit again. However, given the circumstances and taking into account that the site visit time had been amended at short notice, Members agreed that the application should be deferred to the next meeting to allow any resident(s) or objectors to attend the site visit and observe.

RESOLVED:

That the application be deferred to the next meeting to allow a site visit to be undertaken and for any resident(s) or objectors the opportunity to attend and observe the proceedings.

**48. Application CH/13/0245, Alterations to Hednesford park:- refurbishment of existing pavilion and inclusion of balcony at first floor level, reconfiguration of existing play areas, installation of new play equipment and skate park, extension of existing car parking area, creation of circular walkways new public art (design of which to be decided by public) and canopy, Hednesford Park, Hednesford**

Consideration was given to the Report of the Development Control Manager (Item No. 6.32 – 6.51 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

The Development Control Manager provided Members with the following update:-

Enclosure 6.48 – Paragraph 4.20: Members will note that Officers set out to provide an update of discussions with Sport England with respect to their Holding Objection (Enclosure 6.40).

A meeting took place between Council officers and a Sport England representative on 17 October, 2013. Following the meeting Sport England removed the Holding Objection, subject to two conditions in respect of:

- a) Design of the proposed Multi Use Games Area (MUGA), and;
- b) Layout/design of the rearranged football pitches.

However, the Council's Environmental Services have expressed concerns over the suggested wording of the second condition in respect of the football pitches and therefore would like the wording of this condition varied. Discussions are on-going with Sport England.

He advised that the revised recommendation would be:

- That delegated authority is given to the Development Control Manager to approve the development, subject to the proposed conditions as set out in the report and any further conditions agreed with Sport England.

- That in the event that officers fail to reach an agreement with Sport England over the wording of condition b; the application will be referred back to the Planning Control Committee.

RESOLVED:

- (A) That delegated authority be given to the Development Control Manager to approve the development, subject to the proposed conditions as set out in the report and any further conditions agreed with Sport England.
- (B) That in the event that officers fail to reach an agreement with Sport England over the wording of condition b; the application will be referred back to the Planning Control Committee.

**49. Application CH/13/0274, Installation of plant machinery (part retrospective), Amazon UK, Tower Business Park, Power Station Road, Brereton, Rugeley**

Consideration was given to the Report of the Development Control Manager (Item No. 6.52 – 6.59 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

RESOLVED:

That the application be approved subject to the conditions contained in the report for the reasons stated therein.

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CHAIRMAN

The meeting finished at 3.30p.m.