

CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
PLANNING CONTROL COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY 21 DECEMBER, 2011 AT 3.00 P.M.
IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, BEECROFT ROAD, CANNOCK

PART 1

PRESENT: Councillors

Kraujalis, J.T. (Chairman)
Burnett, J. (Vice-Chairman)

Ball, G.	Rowley, J.
Burnett, G.	Todd, Mrs. D.
Easton, R.	Todd, B.
Jones, R.	

(Prior to the commencement of the meeting, the Chairman made reference to the changes to the local protocol for public speaking at the Planning Control Committee which had been agreed at full Council on 14 December, 2011. He reported that Councillor Easton had expressed concern regarding the wording and had agreed to allow him the opportunity to raise his concern at the end of the meeting).

(He further reported on the revised membership of the Committee as a result of the changes to the numbers of Members in the Liberal Democrat and Liberal Groups. He confirmed that Councillor D.N. Davies had been replaced by Councillor A. Williams).

83. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors F.W.C. Allen, J.D. Bernard, P.A. Fisher, Mrs. L. Whitehouse and A. Williams.

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

No declarations were made.

85. Disclosure of lobbying of Members

None declared.

86. Minutes

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 29 November, 2011 be approved as a correct record.

87. Members' requests for site visits

No requests for site visits were made.

88. Application CH/11/0316 – Amended design and layout of play equipment and multi-use games area (retrospective), public open space between Pheasant Way and Peregrine Way, Hawks Green, Cannock

Prior to consideration of the application the Council's Solicitor advised Members that since the previous meeting Council had agreed to amend the protocol for speaking at the Planning Control Committee which allowed speakers the opportunity to speak again where an application had been deferred. The two speakers at the previous meeting had been advised today that they were able to speak again, however, only one was able to attend. Additionally, Councillor J. Bernard was not able to attend today but had provided an email to be read out.

The Chairman suggested that the application should be deferred as, in the interest of fairness, all previous speakers should be given the opportunity to speak again in respect of the application.

The Council's Solicitor and the Chairman, on behalf of the Committee, offered sincere apologies to the gentleman that had been expecting to speak at the meeting today.

RESOLVED:

That the application be deferred to enable all the previous speakers the opportunity to speak again.

89. Local Protocol for Public Speaking at the Planning Control Committee

Councillor Easton made reference to the changes to the local protocol for public speaking at the Planning Control Committee which was agreed at full Council on 14 December, 2011. He considered that the motion he thought he had voted on at the Planning Control Committee was different to the changes that had been agreed at Council. He suggested that, in future, any motions that were to be voted on by the Committee should be read out clearly by the Chairman. The Chairman stated that he would endeavour to ensure this happened in the future.

CHAIRMAN

(The meeting closed at 3.35 p.m.)