

CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
PLANNING CONTROL COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY 3 FEBRUARY 2010 AT 3.00 P.M.
IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, BEECROFT ROAD, CANNOCK

PART 1

PRESENT: Councillors

Burnett, J. (Chairman)
Easton, R. (Vice-Chairman)

Allen, F.W.C.	Grice, Mrs. D.
Ball, G.D.	Jones, R.
Burnett, G.	Stretton, Mrs. P.Z.
Davies, D.N.	Todd, Mrs. D.M.
Easton, Mrs. D.M.	Williams, B.
Freeman, M.P.	Williams, Mrs. P.

(The Chairman reported that Stafford Borough Council had extended an invitation to all Planning Control Committee Members to attend a meeting of their Development Control Committee. The date of the meeting was 21 April, 2010 and Members were asked to inform Democratic Services should they wish to attend).

89. Apologies

An apology for absence was received from Councillor L.W. Bullock.

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

No declarations were declared.

91. Disclosure of lobbying of Members

No disclosures were made.

92. Minutes

Arising from consideration of the Minutes the Planning Services Manager advised that with regard to Minute 88 – Member involvement in pre-application discussions, there had been a request to hold a pre-application discussion in respect of an amended application for the Former Ultra Electronics site at Rugeley Road, Hednesford. Any Member wishing to attend this pre-application discussion was advised to inform the Planning Services Manager. Members requested that the pre-application discussion be held prior to the next Planning

Control Committee pending there being no site visits arranged.

The Planning Services Manager referred to the site visits agreed at the last meeting (Minute 83 refers) and Members agreed that should Officers be minded to refuse the applications there would be no need to undertake the site visits.

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 13 January, 2010 be approved as a correct record subject to Minute 85 – Application CH/09/0355 – Consultation from Staffordshire County Council, New Rugeley Learning Campus development, land off Western Springs Road, Rugeley being amended to include the following additional resolution:

- The design of the new access to Western Springs Road should take account of the existing problem with right turning traffic into the Little Chef/Filling Station opposite

93. Members' requests for site visits

There were no requests for site visits.

94. Application CH/09/0393, Replace existing 4 car garage with a new L shaped garage block (Resubmission of part of CH/09/0330) 84 Hayfield Hill, Cannock Wood

Following a site visit by Members of the Committee consideration was given to the Report of the Planning Services Manager (Enclosure 6.1 – 6.5 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

RESOLVED:

That the application be approved subject to the conditions contained within the report for the reasons stated therein and to condition 3 (H16 Private Garage) being amended as follows:

3. The building shall not be used for any purpose other than the accommodation of private motor vehicles belonging to the occupiers of the dwelling or any other use which is incidental to the enjoyment of the existing dwelling.

(Councillor B. Williams requested that his name be recorded as having voted against this decision).

95. Application CH/09/0347, Residential development – demolition of number 174 and builders yard (172a), erection of 8 two bedroom flats (outline), Land at 172a (Builders Yard), 174 Belt Road, Hednesford

Consideration was given to the Report of the Planning Services Manager (Enclosure 6.6 – 6.10 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

The Planning Services Manager reported that the Landscape Officer had requested three additional conditions be added should the Committee be minded to approve the application. He advised Members that, at the request of the Committee, Officers had asked the applicant to submit a less intensive scheme. However, the applicant had indicated that he did not wish

to change the original proposals.

RESOLVED:

That the application be refused for the following reasons:

1. The proposals constitute a cramped form of development not well situated to existing buildings in terms of siting and scale and therefore not in sympathy with the character and appearance of the locality. The development therefore fails to meet the requirements of Policy B8 (i) (ii) and (iii) of the Cannock Chase Local Plan 1997.
2. The development would have an overbearing impact on adjoining residential properties and their curtilages in Gray Road, Belt Road and Foster Avenue resulting in a significant loss of amenity contrary to Policy B8 (v) of the Cannock Chase Local Plan 1997.

96. Application CH/09/0362, Variation of condition 2 of planning permission CH/07/0141 to allow window to open, 2 Stringers Hill, Hednesford, Cannock

Consideration was given to the Report of the Planning Services Manager (Enclosure 6.11 – 6.14 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.

CHAIRMAN

(The meeting closed at 3.40 pm).