## CANNOCK CHASE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## PLANNING CONTROL COMMITTEE

## 30 September 2020

## **Officer Update Sheet**

Application No:	CH/16/267
Received:	19-Jul-2016
Location:	Land to North of Wyrley Common & South of A5 Watling Street
Parish:	Norton Canes
Description:	Proposed change of use to outdoor go-karting facility and associated operational development including formation of track (1200m), car park and associated landscaping and works. (Details also provided of proposed hospitality/administration, garage/shop and toilet buildings for illustrative purposes only.)

Further to the completion of the agenda a letter has been received from Mr Ron Oliver, the applicant's agent. This states: -

"We did not know until last wednesday that Chris Timothy was not going to be able to make the meeting and that he had put nothing in place to cover his absence. It is not possible for his deputy to put any sort of argument forward at this short notice. given that myself and djogs have not met him to see who says what. We have been badly let down by CT Planning

Also as you are probably aware Norton Parish Council fully support the proposal and as such their deputy chair John Barnard wanted to speak in support but due to the fact that they have not been notified he is unfortunately on holiday.

It is logical that this project should not go to the committee on this date. my point is Cannock Planning have messed about for years not months and we have dealt with four separate planning officers who had no qualms in putting it off from previous committees. I will speak but I can only request a deferment. As you are fully aware my client has been treated very badly as no one would just sit down and consider the application in full. I wonder how this position would be viewed in Law it is disgraceful to say the least.

I would have thought it quite simple to put this back to a future committee without the need to request it formally at the committee. but if it is not within your powers then so be it. I would trust that they will see common sense

I would be grateful if this letter could read out to the committee or at least let them see copies"

Officers would respond that the above does not change the overall assessment of the application and that the applicant and the parish council has had sufficient time to make arrangements for their representative to speak at the meeting. It is therefore recommended that Members determine the application on its current merits.