

Chairman - Councillor A S Harp

Present (for all or part of the meeting):-

Councillors:

C A Baron	E G R Jones
G R Collier	P W Jones
I E Davies	W J Kemp
M G Dodson	A J Perkins
R J Draper	J K Price
A P Edgeller	C V Trowbridge

Officers in attendance:-

Mrs E McCook	-	Development Lead
Mr E Handley	-	Senior Planning Officer
Mr S Turner	-	Principal Solicitor
Mr A Bailey	-	Scrutiny Officer

PC148 Minutes

Minutes of the previous meetings held on 3 January 2018, 24 January 2018 and 14 February 2018 were submitted and signed.

PC149 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G O Rowlands (Substitute W J Kemp) and R M Sutherland (Substitute A P Edgeller).

PC150 Application No 18/27809/HOU - Proposed rear extension including extended ground floor kitchen living area with utility and first floor bedroom and en-suite- 5 Smithy Croft, Church Eaton, Stafford, ST20 0AF

(Recommendation approve).

Considered the report of the Head of Development regarding this matter. The Senior Planning Officer reported upon the receipt of an additional letter of objection.

The Committee discussed the application and raised a number of issues, including:-

- Concern that this application significantly breached the 70% threshold as provided by for under Policy C5(c) of the Plan for Stafford Borough
- Concern at the overbearing nature of the proposal and the risk of over looking neighbours
- The need to demonstrate the harm caused from the breaching of Policy C5(c) of the Plan for Stafford Borough
- Clarification of the planning history of the site

In response, the Senior Planning Officer confirmed that the property would be proportionate to the type and character of the surrounding buildings. In addition he clarified that three of the windows did not over look other properties and the fourth was conditioned by obscured glazing. He also outlined the amendments made to the proposal following concerns expressed by Church Eaton Parish Council.

It was subsequently moved by Councillor C V Trowbridge and seconded by Councillor R J Draper that the application be approved, subject to the conditions as set out in the report of the Head of Development.

On being put to the vote the proposal was declared to be carried.

RESOLVED:- that planning application No 118/27809/HOU be approved, subject to the conditions as set out in the report of the Head of Development.

PC151 Application No 17/27653/FUL- Proposed new Scouts Headquarters to provide a recreational and community facility - Land adjacent to Sundown drive, Western Downs, Stafford

(Recommendation approve).

Considered the report of the Head of Development regarding this matter.

It was subsequently moved by Councillor C V Trowbridge and seconded by Councillor C A Baron that the application be approved, subject to the conditions as set out in the report of the Head of Development.

On being put to the vote the proposal was declared to be carried.

RESOLVED:- that planning application No 17/27653/FUL be approved, subject to the conditions as set out in the report of the Head of Development.

PC152 WKS2/00293/EN17 - Unauthorised CCTV Cameras, 69 Blythe Avenue, Meir Health

Considered the report of the Head of Development and the Head of Law and Administration (V1 23/02/18) in relation to the siting of CCTV cameras on a residential property without the benefit of planning permission.

The Committee discussed the report and raised a number of issues, including:-

- Concerns that the two CCTV cameras were not permitted development
- The cameras did not cause planning harm
- The direction of the CCTV cameras was not in this Committee's remit

It was subsequently moved by Councillor W J Kemp, seconded by Councillor E G R Jones that the report be approved.

On being put to the vote, the proposal was declared to be carried.

RESOLVED:- that it is not considered expedient to take enforcement action and therefore no further action be taken.

PC153 WKS/00167/EN17 - Unauthorised Fence, 43 Goldborn Avenue, Meir Heath

Considered the report of the Head of Development and the Head of Law and Administration (V1 23/02/18) in relation to the erection of a 1.8m high fence adjacent to a highway without the benefit of planning permission.

It was subsequently moved by Councillor M G Dodson, seconded by Councillor C A Baron that the report be approved.

On being put to the vote, the proposal was declared to be carried.

RESOLVED:- that it is not considered expedient to take enforcement action and no further action be taken.

PC154 WKS/00238/EN16 - Land rear of 14 Stallington Mews, Galton Croft, Stallington

Considered the report of the Head of Development and the Head of Law and Administration (V1 23/02/18) in relation to the erection of a fence around the perimeter of a pond without the benefit of planning permission.

The Committee discussed the report and raised a number of issues, including:-

- Clarification of the enforcement action in relation to the rear of 14 Stallington Mews
- Accentuated the comments of the Conservation Officer
- Clarification of the objections raised by the Parish Council
- The need to safeguard the area around the pond

It was subsequently moved by Councillor M G Dodson, seconded by Councillor C V Trowbridge that the report be approved.

On being put to the vote, the proposal was declared to be carried.

RESOLVED:- that it is not considered expedient to take enforcement action in respect of the fencing and no further action be taken.

CHAIRMAN