# BRINDLEY HEATH PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 20 JULY 2021 AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, MOUNT ROAD, RUGELEY

**PRESENT:** Parish Councillors: D. Cotton (Chairman)

A. Pearson
P. Adams
M. Sutherland
R. Turville

Mrs M. A. Turville

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mrs T. Williams (Clerk)

#### 1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Mrs S. Pearson.

#### 2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

To declare interests for this meeting:

Member Interest Type

No Interests

#### 3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Resolved: The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 25 May 2021 were approved as a correct record.

#### 4. PLANNING OBSERVATIONS MADE BY THE PARISH COUNCIL SINCE THE LAST MEETING

Resolved: To confirm the following observations submitted to Cannock Chase Council on 17 June 2021:

**Application Number: CH/21/0255** 

**Location:** Wandon Lodge, Startley Lane, Rugeley

**Development:** Demolition of existing rear extensions and conservatory and erection of 4m single storey

kitchen extension

**Observations:** No objections

#### 5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

Resolved: That the following observations are submitted to the District Council in respect of planning applications in the parish:

**Application Number:** CH/21/0260

 Location: Aldene, 7 Stafford Brook Road, Rugeley

**Development:** Change of use of a portion of the garden area to utilise an existing static caravan as a self-

contained holiday let

**Observations:** That objections be raised for the following reasons:

- The Static Caravan is not an existing permanent building to support the consideration of a repurpose.
- The site has already been subject to significant development including a new detached home and conversion of the Smoke House to a holiday let. Reuse of the static caravan as a second holiday home would constitute overdevelopment of the site and have an adverse impact on the character and appearance of the Cannock Chase AONB.
- The holiday let will generate greater use of the access and driveway for vehicular parking which will harm the openness of the Green Belt. The access is also very close to the busy Stafford Brook Road/Penkridge Bank Road junction.
- The development will lead to other changes in connection with holiday accommodation such as outdoor areas, garden furniture, etc. The garden area will thus become far more developed without the need for further planning approval. The site already contains a large area of hard landscaping which has an urbanising effect at this open and prominent site.
- There are no very special circumstances stated in the application to justify the development and outweigh the harm that will result.
- The application does not provide proof that there will be a permanent demand for holiday accommodation on Cannock Chase beyond the period of the pandemic.
- An increasing number of people staying close to the nearby SSSI and associated holiday maker activity will have longer term adverse environmental implications.
- Approving the application will set a dangerous precedent for the future of Cannock Chase AONB.

#### 6. PLANNING DECISIONS MADE BY THE COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCIL

No planning decisions have been received.

### 7. UPDATES ON OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

Banner Displays on Fencing

The Clerk advised the Committee that no response had been received from the Enforcement Officer at Cannock Chase Council, with answers to the parish council's questions about the display of banners in the Cannock Chase AONB.

#### 8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Planning Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday 14 September 2021.
The meeting will be held at the Church of the Holy Spirit, Mount Road, Rugeley.

Signed
Chairman of the Planning Committee,
Councillor D. Cotton

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