

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE held on 9 January 2006 at the Vernon Institute, Saughall

In attendance: Councillor B Kerr (in the Chair)  
Councillor Mrs P Humphrey  
Councillor WI Humphrey  
Councillor C Moss  
Councillor Mrs D Whitton

1 CODE OF CONDUCT – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs J Johnson and Mrs J Young.

3 MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 5 December 2005 be confirmed as a correct record.

4 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Committee considered the following planning applications and requested that its comments be passed to Chester City Council, the Planning Authority.

(a) 05/01980/FUL/JL

RE: First floor front extension and ground floor porch.

AT: 1 Darlington Crescent, Saughall

“No objections”

(b) 05/01921/FUL/NC

RE: Refurbishment of redundant farm buildings to form accommodation to The Woodlands and erection of double garage and conservatory.

AT: The Woodlands, Church Road, Saughall

“No objections so long as appropriate conditions are attached to the planning permission to ensure that this property remains one dwelling”

(c) 05/02023/FUL/RC

RE: Conservatory.

AT: 18 Vernon Close, Saughall

“No objections”

(d) 05/01601/FUL/DJC

RE: Extension to rear and internal alterations.

AT: Cherry Tree Cottage, Church Road, Saughall

“This Council would like to support this planning application.

Car parking to the rear may prove difficult. The alternative is street parking or the owner could consider, and this the Council recommends, parking in the front garden.”

(e) 05/02100/FUL

RE: Conservatory/entrance porch to side.

AT: Fiddlers Hey, Fiddlers Lane, Saughall

“No objections”

## 5 PLANNING DECISIONS

The following planning decisions made by Chester City Council, the Planning Authority were noted:

(a) 05/01751/LBC

Proposal: Removal of space saver stair to attic and replace with timber staircase.

Location: Northfield, Parkgate Road, Saughall

“Notice of Listed Building Consent”

(b) 05/01709/LDC

Proposal: Certificate of lawful use for failure to comply with Condition 3 of planning permission 6/6418 (agricultural occupancy condition) for a period exceeding the last 10 years.

Location: Northfield, Parkgate Road, Saughall

“Certificate of Lawful Use or Development”

(c) 05/01762/FUL

Proposal: Ground floor and first floor rear extensions.

Location: Wincroft, Parkgate Road, Saughall

“Refusal of Planning Permission”

## 6 05/00993/FUL/LJ

Proposal: Change of use of Commercial Outbuildings to Residential.

Location: Belmont, Church Road, Saughall

It was noted that the Chairman of the Planning Committee, Councillor Mrs J Young, had tried to contact the appropriate Planning Officer but had been unsuccessful, She would try again and report the outcome at the next meeting of the Committee.

7 38 DARLINGTON CRESCENT

It was brought to the Committee's attention that a substantial extension had been added to the rear of 38 Darlington Crescent.

The Committee had no recollection of being consulted on the planning application.

RESOLVED: That

(1) the Clerk be requested to contact the Planning Department and request comments, etc;  
and

(2) a discussion about village design be held at a future meeting of the Council.

8 BARROW PARISH COUNCIL – VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE

The Chairman of Barrow Parish Council had written to Chairmen of all Parish Council's in the Chester District expressing concerns about Chester City Council's Planning Officers and setting out recent problems encountered by his Council. He asked if any Councils had similar experiences, been ignored and seen to be 'difficult' when views varied from that of the City Council. If Councils had also had problems they were requested to consider making a concerted vote of no confidence in the planners.

RESOLVED:

That Council be **RECOMMENDED** to respond to the Chairman of Barrow Parish Council's letter informing that the Council has sympathy with it and is willing to support it in its vote of no confidence.