BRINDLEY HEATH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 30 NOVEMBER 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 Mrs S. Pearson

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mrs T. Williams (Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES

No apologies from Parish Councillors.

Apologies were received from County Councillors: P. Hewitt & Dr J. McMahon.

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 14 September 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 26 October 2022:

Application Number: CH/21/0402

Location: Cannock Chase Forest Centre, Birches Valley, Rugeley

Development: Proposed Development: Temporary use of an area of Cannock Chase Forest Centre for the purpose of hosting the Mountain Biking event for the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games; erection of temporary structures including a spectator areas including temporary stand; vehicle and pedestrian access areas; broadcast/operation compounds; athletes preparation area; all with associated fencing – THIS APPLICATION IS A DEPARTURE FROM THE GREEN BELT

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Observations: Although the Parish Council has no objections to the hosting of the Mountain Biking event on Cannock Chase for the Commonwealth Games, with forecasted attendance numbers of 12,000 people – 3,000 seated and 9,000 spectators around the Blue course, Councillors do have a number of concerns about crowd and traffic management.

It would be appreciated if further information could be provided, detailing how the following points will be addressed:

- Vehicular parking facilities and their locations for the day of the event and the estimated ten-day period leading up to the event when athletes will be undertaking practice sessions etc.
- Local traffic controls and parking enforcement on all roads located within a minimum of two miles from the venue. Provision should be made for the day of the event and the estimated ten-day period prior to the event.
- Local traffic management plan to cover at least a two-mile radius of venue
- Spectators' management and movement controls.
- Plans to consult and engage with local residents.
- The provisions that will be made to accommodate local residents where road closures are put in place etc.

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/21/0425 Location: 4 Brindley Crescent, Hednesford Development: Two storey rear extension

Observations: No objections

6. PLANNING DECISIONS MADE BY THE COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCIL

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 selfcontained holiday let

Planning permission refused on 22 September 2021

7. UPDATES ON OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

Enquiry about Permitted Development

The Committee viewed a copy letter sent to Cannock Chase Council by Councillor Tim Jones who had challenged the District Council's interpretation of a number of points of planning law including permitted development relating to the display of advertisement banners in the AONB and the erection of fencing adjoining the highway.

Councillor Jones had approached the Parish Council for information after it had made its own enquiries about the planning position on matters deemed to fall within the Town and Country Planning (control of

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Advertisements) (England) regulations 2007, Class 8, and the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015, Schedule 2, Part 2, Class A.

Councillor Jones had also expressed his view that Cannock Chase Council's planning enforcement resources were inadequate and failing to protect the Cannock Chase AONB which has the highest landscape status in the country.

Shooting Butts Road

The Council acknowledged that no response had been received from the Planning Department to an enquiry (dated 13 September 2021) about a potential new access point on land off Shooting Butts Road.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Planning Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday 8 February 2022.

The meeting will be held at the Church of the Holy Spirit, Mount Road, Rugeley.

Signed.....

Chairman of the Planning Committee, Councillor D. Cotton

Date.....