

Planning Committee Business during the Covid 19 crisis

February 2021

The following items are for noting or deciding as indicated.

1. Consultations on Planning Applications

There are currently three applications out for consultation, namely, 8 Cottage Drive (10th February), Chadsgrove School (10th February) and 37 Green Slade Crescent (16th February). The deadline for comments to me is given in brackets.

Decisions required.

2. Worcestershire County Council Consultation on the Statement of Community Involvement 2021

The following is a letter received from Worcestershire County Council inviting comments on a review of their Statement of Community Involvement. This sets out how Worcestershire County Council will seek involvement in the planning of minerals and waste management and Worcestershire County Council developments such as new libraries, schools, roads and railway stations.

The deadline for responses is 18th March. Your committee's normal procedure is to appoint a member to collect and collate responses and inform me (or if after 28th February the Parish Clerk) of Committee's view so I may respond to the County Council.

Decision required

Consultation on Statement of Community Involvement

Worcestershire County Council, as the County Planning Authority, is responsible for preparing planning policy to guide waste and minerals development, and for determining planning applications for minerals developments, waste management facilities, and the County Council's own developments. The way that local communities, businesses, and interest groups are involved in these functions is governed by the Council's Statement of Community Involvement (SCI).

This will be the second review of the SCI since the Council's original SCI was first adopted in 2006 (the SCI was initially reviewed and a revised document adopted in 2015). Regulation 10A (1)b of The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended) requires that the SCI is reviewed every 5 years. We would welcome your comments on the draft update by 18th March 2021. The draft can be viewed at <https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20014/planning> .

Please note that this is a consultation document and the current arrangements for planning consultations due to the Covid19 outbreak is set out in a document via the following link <https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20014/planning>

Comments must be made by email or by post:

- Email: sp@worcestershire.gov.uk
- Post: FREEPOST RTHC-XXCK-AJGY, SCI Consultation, Strategic Planning and Environmental Policy, Worcestershire County Council, County Hall, Spetchley Road, Worcester, WR5 2NP. [

All responses will be published on our website, alongside proposals for how we intend to address the issues raised. Address details will not be published.

Please contact me if you require any further information on this consultation.

Yours faithfully

Natasha Friend

3. Review of Planning Log

The following table is for information and noting by members. The table provides updates on decisions made by Bromsgrove District Council (Worcestershire County Council in the case of Log 771) on planning applications previously considered by Planning Committee.

No decision required.

Log	Ref	Address	Proposal	Meeting date	Comment	LPA Decision
771	19/000056 /CM	Pinches Quarry, Wildmoor Lane, Wildmoor, Bromsgrove, B61 0QN	Extraction of sand and gravel and subsequent infilling with inert waste to achieve full restoration	Delegated powers	Members were particularly concerned about what at happened at the Marlbrook Quarry where the limit of restorative fill was exceeded and therefore in respect of this application felt there is a need for robust monitoring in order to avoid overfilling and that measures be put in place to ensure that all infill material was genuinely inert. Furthermore that all vehicle movements only access and egress the site to and from the A491 and measures are taken to prevent debris	No decision as at 8/2/21

					spilling onto the highway.	
786	20/01376/F UL	29 Green Slade Crescent, Marlbrook, B60 1DS	Proposed rear garage extension	Delegated powers	The Parish Council support the application.	No decision as at 8/2/21
787	20/01527/F UL	Unit 3, 149 Golden Cross Lane, Catshill, B61 0JZ	Single storey rear extension for additional storage space	Delegated Powers	The Parish Council support the application.	No decision as at 8/2/22

In respect of Log 787 above members may wish to note the comments below of North Worcestershire Water Management received after details were circulated.

Thank you for consulting NWWM on this application; I have the following comments. The site falls within fluvial flood zone 1 but it is important to note that the adjacent Marl Brook has not been modelled by the Environment Agency and therefore the risk may in reality be higher. The site is at high risk of flooding from surface water flooding; more information on this can be found here: <https://flood-warning-information.service.gov.uk/long-term-flood-risk/risk>. My main concern with this application is the proximity of the proposed extension to the Marl Brook. The ground floor plans suggest only 900mm will remain between the brook and the building. NWWM generally requires that 5m is left alongside a watercourse. I acknowledge that neighbouring properties have installed structures of varying descriptions alongside the watercourse however it is important to retain a certain amount of access to the watercourse for maintenance purposes, as each property has riparian responsibilities for their section of brook (up to the centre). Since this location has a history of blockages and maintenance issues with the watercourse this is especially important. Based upon the present scale of the extension I would recommend the application is refused, however if the applicant is willing to scale back the extension to provide perhaps 3m alongside the brook, which is an easement we accept on confined sites, I would be happy to review my comments.

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8/2/21