

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 6 October 2022

Present: Mark Winnington (Chair)

Attendance

David Smith (Vice-Chair)	John Francis
Paul Snape	Robert Pritchard
Jak Abrahams	Mike Sutherland
Richard Cox	Johnny McMahon

Apologies: Ian Lawson, Jeremy Oates, Jill Waring & Philip Hudson

Part one

19. Declarations of Interest in Accordance with Standing Order No. 16

Councillor Francis declared a personal interest in item 4 as he is a Member of Staffordshire County Showground.

20. Minutes of the meeting held on 4 August 2022

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 4 August 2022 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

21. Annual Report - Safety of Sports Grounds 1 April 2021 - 31 March 2022

The Committee considered a report detailing the work of the Safety of Sports Grounds team carried out from April 2021 to March 2022. Members noted the County Council's statutory obligations under the relevant legislation and the activities carried out to ensure that those duties had been met.

The Committee were advised that in July 2021, Government guidance was provided for people who work in settings related to events and visitor attractions, to help inform planning and business operations as part of the Recovery Roadmap. The Sports Ground Safety Authority stage 5 guidance was published on 22 July 2021 regarding the safe return of spectators.

Resolved – That the activity completed in respect of Safety of Sports Grounds for the period 1 April 2021 – 31 March 22 be noted.

22. Applications for Permission

- a) Saredon Quarry, Saredon Road, Little Saredon - SCC/21/0070/FULL-ES

The Committee received a presentation by the Case Officer on the proposed application for the winning and working of sand and gravel within a southern extension to the quarry, with restoration to agriculture, and nature conservation by backfilling with inert waste or other inert material, and the use of the existing access, site offices, processing plant and silt lagoons at Saredon Quarry.

In accordance with the County Council's scheme for public speaking at the meeting, the Committee received a representation from Mr R Williams representing the applicant.

The Committee discussed the lorry movements at the site and were assured that there were no proposed changes in the application, however the Committee were advised that there was a separate application proposing changes to allow more flexibility in the number of lorry movements.

Following a vote it was:

Resolved – To permit the application for the winning and working of sand and gravel within a southern extension to the quarry, with restoration to agriculture, and nature conservation by backfilling with inert waste of other inert material, and the sure of the existing access, site offices, processing plant and silt lagoons subject to the terms indicated in the report.

23. Exclusion of the public

Resolved – That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business which involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of the Local Government Act 1972 indicated below.

Chairman