Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 7 June 2018

Present: David Smith (Chairman)

Attendance		
Ron Clarke Keith James Ben Adams (Vice-Chairman) Julia Jessel Trevor Johnson	Alastair Little Kath Perry Kyle Robinson Paul Snape Mike Worthington	

Apologies: David Brookes, Alan Dudson, John Cooper and Bob Spencer

PART ONE

1. Apologies

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

Name of Member	Nature of Association	Minute No./ Application No.
Kath Perry	Personal interest as the local member for the division	Item 4c & 4d
Paul Snape	Personal interest as he is a member of the Planning Committee at Cannock Chase District Council	Item 7

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 2 November 2017

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 2 November 2017 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

4. Applications for Permission

a) Rugeley Quarry, Wolseley Road, Off Stafford Brook Road, Rugeley - CH.16/05/709 M

The Committee received a presentation by the Case Officer on the proposed application not to comply with Conditions 3 and 8 of planning permission CH.00/0577 & S.40018 to revise the phasing of the working and restoration at Rugeley Quarry, Wolsey Road, Rugeley.

County Councillor Mike Sutherland, as the local member for the area, explained that he had visited the site with the Case Officer and local residents and expressed his particular concern about the impact of traffic along Bower Lane. In accordance with the

County Councils scheme for public speaking at meetings, the Committee received representations from Mr Shaun Denny, on behalf of the applicant.

Members expressed their concern with the proposed number of HCV movements using Bower Lane. The Committee were informed that a maximum of 50% movements are permitted to use Bower Lane. Members discussed the proposed total number of vehicle movements at 212 per weekday and 106 movements on Saturdays. In response, the Committee were informed that the quarry normally has between 46 and 95 movements per day.

Mr Little proposed and Mr Snape seconded that the number of HCV movements be restricted to 200 per day. Following a vote, the amendment was not carried.

Following a vote it was:

RESOLVED – (a) - To PERMIT the application for proposed development not to comply with (to vary) Conditions 3 and 87 of Planning permission CH.00/0577 & S.400/18 to revise the phasing of the working and restoration at Rugeley Quarry subject to the conditions as set out in the report.

b) Rugeley Quarry, Wolseley Road, Rugeley, Staffordshire - CH.17/01/709 M

The Committee received a presentation by the Case Officer on the proposed application not to comply with (to vary) Condition 7 of planning permission CH.16/03/709 M regarding vehicle movements associated with the manufacture of topsoil.

In accordance with the County Councils scheme for public speaking at meetings, the Committee received representations from Mr George Longmuir representing the applicant.

The Committee were informed that there had been objections from the AONB Unit and Brindley Health Parish Council relating to the vehicle movements. It was reported that there had also been six representations received which also raised concerns with the traffic.

Following a vote it was:

RESOLVED – To PERMIT the application not to comply with (to vary) Condition 7 of planning permission CH.16/03/709 M regarding vehicle movements associated with the manufacture of topsoil at Rugeley Quarry subject to the conditions as set out in the report.

c) Saredon Hill Quarry, Great Saredon Road, Little Saredon - SS.17/10/602 MW

The Committee received a presentation by the Case Officer on the proposed application to vary conditions 1, 12, 13, 14, 24, 46 and 47 of planning permission SS.16/10/602 MW to deepen parts of the permitted extraction area and to confirm the working scheme details at Saredon Hill Quarry, Great Saredon Road, Little Saredon.

County Council Bernard Williams, as the local member for the area, expressed his concerns on behalf of local residents about the potential effects on groundwater. In accordance with the County Councils scheme for public speaking at meetings, the Committee received representations from Mr Graham Fergus (on behalf of Mr Moody) objecting to the application and from Mr Robert Williams on behalf of the applicant and.

A member raised a concern with the condition of the roads surrounding the quarry and queried if the HCVs were being washed. In response, the Committee were informed that measures to require wheel cleaning and the sheeting of loads are conditions of the planning permission.

The Case Officer tabled an amendment to the recommendations to include the following additional condition:

To require the installation and monitoring of additional boreholes in accordance with an approved Groundwater Monitoring Scheme which shall be submitted within 3 months of date of the permission from the approval of the Mineral Planning Authority. The scheme shall include boreholes to monitor groundwater at the following locations:

- a) Along the southern boundary of the quarry, located east and west of the Bushbury Branch Fault; and
- b) Along the western boundary of the quarry.

Following a vote it was:

RESOLVED – To PERMIT the application to vary conditions 1, 12, 13, 14, 24, 46 and 47 of planning permission SS.16/10/602 MW to deepen parts of the permitted extraction area and to confirm the working scheme details at Saredon Hill Quarry, great Saredon Road subject to the conditions as set out in the report together with the addition condition tabled at the meeting.

d) Saredon Hill Quarry, Great Saredon Road, Little Saredon - SS.17/11/602 MW

The Committee received a presentation by the Case Officer on the proposed application for the variation of condition number 23 (e) of planning permission SS. 16/10/602 MW to allow additional two concrete mixer lorries to enter and leave the site outside of normal operation hours, with departure (loaded) daily at 19:00 (Monday to Friday) and single inward journeys (returning unloaded) at 06:00 daily (Tuesday to Saturday) between 15/11/17 and 31/8/18.

County Council Bernard Williams, as the local member for the area, expressed his concerns on behalf of local residents about the effects of early morning traffic.

Following a vote it was:

RESOLVED – To PERMIT the application for a variation of condition number 23 (e) of planning permission SS. 16/10/602 MW to allow additional two concrete mixer lorries to

enter and leave the site outside of normal operation hours, with departure (loaded) daily at 19:00 (Monday to Friday) and single inward journeys (returning unloaded) at 06:00 daily (Tuesday to Saturday) between 15/11/17 and 31/8/18 subject to the conditions as set out in the report.

5. Review of the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Joint Waste Local Plan

The Committee were presented with a report to explain the process and timetable to review the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Joint Waste Local Plan adopted in March 2013.

The Committee were informed that it is intended to provide a further report on the review to the Committee in November 2018.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

6. Planning, Policy and Development Control - Annual Performance Report

The Committee considered a report of the Director for Economy, Infrastructure & Skills on the planning development control and planning policy-making performance over the previous twelve months (April 2017 to March 2018).

The Committee were presented with detailed performance against various categories of application and the respective targets. The Committee noted the performance with policy-making; the development control performance against various categories of application and the respective national and local targets; the income from applications and pre-application advice; and, the adjustments made to the Planning, Policy and Development team.

RESOLVED – That the annual performance report be noted

7. Decisions taken under Delegated Powers

The Committee considered the 'county matters' and consultation with Staffordshire County Council dealt with by the Director from Economy, Infrastructure and Skills under delegated powers.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

8. Exclusion of the public

RESOLVED – That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business which involve 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.

9. Planning Regulation - Performance and Delegated Decisions Report

(Exemption Paragraph 5 & 7)

Chairman