

A meeting of the Planning Committee was held in the Village Hall, Station Road, Countesthorpe on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

Members present: Cllrs S Kinvig, V Armstrong, S Burditt, C Ibbotson, K McGovern and J Thacker.

Miss J Leech – Parish Council Manager

Miss E Frost – Assistant Parish Council Manager

2023/24.173 To receive apologies for absence, if any

Apologies were received from Cllr P Cornforth.

2023/24.174 To receive disclosures of interest and consider dispensations

There were no disclosures of interest.

2023/24.175 To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held 13<sup>th</sup> February 2024

The minutes of the meeting held 13<sup>th</sup> February 2024 were circulated prior to the meeting. It was resolved to approve the minutes, which would be signed by the Chair as an accurate record.

2023/24.176 Public participation session

There were no members of the public present.

2023/24.177 To consider matters arising for information purposes only

There were no matters arising.

2023/24.178 To consider a response to planning applications received from Blaby District Council

Plan No.	Address	Description of Application	Observation
23/0608/FUL & 23/0609/LBC	The Water Tower, 7B The Drive	Conversion and extension of a currently disused ancillary building to form a new C3 Dwellinghouse. Additional construction of a detached double garage to serve the existing host dwelling. Proposed landscaping works including new brick wall and gates	The Parish Council has concerns about the potential number of residents that can live at both this property and the other (23/0607/LBC). Therefore, there is potential for excessive vehicular movements and parking across the site. The Parish Council also has concerns about the increase in the level of vehicular traffic which could adversely impact on the condition of the private driveway leading to the property. It would also create more vehicles exiting out close to the difficult junction at Cosby Road.  Also, without clear evidence included in the application with regard to the potential usage, as C3 (dwellinghouse) covers a range of options that are not necessarily restricted to a dwelling of one household. The usage needs to be clarified, before planning permission is considered, as it raises potential safeguarding concerns since the development is in close proximity to young people who attend

			<p>Countesthorpe Academy and vulnerable young people who attend Birkett House Special School.</p> <p>The Parish Council considers the proposed additional property to be out of keeping with the surrounding Grade II listed buildings, and over development of the site.</p> <p>The Parish Council does not consider the proposed materials throughout the development to be in keeping with the existing area of The Drive, and would therefore appreciate the informed feedback from the Heritage Officer at Leicestershire County Council.</p>
23/0607/LBC	The Water Tower, 7B The Drive	Internal alterations to Grade II listed building including the erection of a mezzanine floor and stud walls in the existing pool room. Proposed new external	The Parish Council has concerns about the potential number of residents that can live at both this property and the other (application number). Therefore, there is potential for excessive vehicular movements and parking across the site. The Parish Council also has concerns about the increase in the level of vehicular traffic which could adversely impact on the condition of the private driveway leading to the property. It would also create more vehicles exiting out close to the difficult junction at Cosby Road.
24/0082/HH	22 Cosby Road	Single storey front extension, first floor front roof dormer extension, including new dormer to rear, new first floor side window and internal alterations and other minor internal modifications	No comment.

2023/24.179 To note Blaby District Council's decisions

The below planning decisions were noted.

- a. 23/0982/HH – 2 Linden Avenue – Two storey side and single storey side and rear extension – Granted

2023/24.180 To receive any correspondence

There was no correspondence.

2023/24.181 Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting is scheduled for 14<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

Signed ..... Chairman

Dated..... 2024