

Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee of the Parish Council of Berkswell, held in the Village Hall, Balsall Common, on 20th November 2013 at 6:15 PM

1. Attendance

Cllrs Benton (Chair), Hitchcock, Lloyd, and Meeson.

One member of the public, Mr S Tidy (Balsall and Berkswell Football Club).

2. Apologies

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Howles and Lock.

3. Declarations of Interest

None.

4. Confirmation of minutes

The minutes of the Committee meetings held on 5 September and 17 October 2013 were confirmed as accurate and signed by the Chairman.

5. Planning applications

5.1 2013/ 1716 Balsall and Berkswell Football Club, Lavender Hall Lane

Mr Tidy said he was concerned difficulties had arisen between the Football Club and the Council due to a lack of communication. Cllr Meeson assured him this wasn't the case. The Football Club needed to gain Planning Consent promptly in order to access the current round of funding from the FA.

The application was for a single-storey clubhouse on the site of the adapted containers used as the current clubhouse, with improved changing room facilities to Football Association Club standards.

Councillors expressed concern about the size of the development, the metal pitched roof, and its impact on the openness of the Meriden Gap greenbelt.

Mr Tidy said the design was still being refined. The Committee resolved to confine its comments to a request for a Condition requiring further consultation on the structure and material of the roof.

5.2 2013/ 1652 Hartlebury House, Benton Green Lane

The application was for a front porch and canopy. The Committee had no objection.

The meeting closed at 7:00 pm.

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