

MINUTES OF MEETING

Warwick District Conservation Advisory Forum

Thursday 4th November 2021

14:30 via Microsoft Teams

Attendees:

Cllr Sidney Syson
Cllr George Illingworth

Ms Ruth Bennion (Leamington Society)
Dr Christine Hodgetts (Warwickshire Gardens Trust)
Mr Angus Kaye (The Victorian Society)
Ms Cathy Kimberley (CPRE)
Mr James Mackay (20th Century Society)
Mr Mark Sullivan (RTPI)

Mr Robert Dawson (WDC)

Apologies:

Mr Richard Ward (RIBA)
Ms Gill Smith (Warwick Society)

1. **Substitutes and New Members**

None.

2. **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Illingworth declared an interest in application item 5.3 as he is a close neighbour of the applicant.

Mr Sullivan, Dr Hodgetts and Ms Cathy Kimberley declared that they had spoken to the owner of Barford House who is a neighbour of the applicant under item 5.1.

3. **Minutes of Last Meeting** (7 October 2021)

Were agreed.

4. **Planning Committee Agenda**

No comments.

5. Planning Applications

5.1 W/21/1551 | Erection of single storey rear extension | 1 The Cedars, Wasperton Lane, Barford, Warwick, CV35 8DW

The Forum felt that the proposed single storey extension was detrimental to both the setting of Grade II* Barford House, its locally listed garden and Barford Conservation Area. It was raised that the proposal would further erode the historic parkland of Barford House and goes against the original design principles of the recent development. The Forum also raised concerns in relation to proposed materials, which included uPVC.

CAF therefore felt strongly that the application should be refused.

5.2 W/21/1556 & W/21/1557/LB | Proposed erection of single storey rear extensions to form new kitchen and games room. Internal and external alterations/detailing revisions to main dwelling. Repair works to existing outbuildings | 48 New Street, Kenilworth, CV8 2EZ

CAF was generally supportive of the proposal, but recommended a simpler form of windows proposed to the C20 addition at the rear, as opposed to imitation Georgian sashed windows. It was also felt that rainwater goods should be painted black as per the front façade.

5.3 W/21/1584 | Erection of a two storey side extension and first floor balcony with extensive external alterations and refurbishment | 24a Castle Lane, Warwick, CV34 4BU

Whilst CAF did not object to the proposed side and rear alterations, the Forum strongly objected to the proposed front projecting balcony. It was felt that this element, which includes an incongruous arch, would result in a very prominent and imposing feature with an overwhelming presence on the street scene. The proposal was therefore considered highly detrimental to the setting of Grade II listed buildings, Warwick Conservation Area and the setting of the Grade I Registered Park and Garden at Warwick Castle. It was also raised that the front elevation makes no reference to earlier building types and recommended that it be amended, or otherwise be refused.

6. Any Other Business

Date of next meeting: 2nd December 2021

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