

Planning Committee Meeting Minutes 10/6/21 11am

Present: Cllr s Nock (lead), Cllr J Harvey, EO. Cllr J King provided written comments.

21/00705/FUL Trinity House Greenhill Blackwell. The construction of a garden room, a shed, a new gate in the existing screen fence and alterations to surface finishes to the drive and parking area and front entrance path. Lickey and Blackwell Parish Council have no objection to this application.

21/00619/FUL 17 Station Road Blackwell. Proposed single storey extension, velux window in side elevation and alterations to windows. Lickey and Blackwell Parish Council object to this application as we feel that the loss of already inadequate parking space (especially for a property of a substantial size as this already is) is unacceptable and detrimental to residents and road users. It is likely that residents of the property and their visitors will need to park on the road. Cornmill Gardens is narrow and lacks pavement and is inappropriate for parking (the entrance to this property is actually via Cornmill Gardens). There are no plans attached for new parking space. We would not like to see the loss of the hedge or garden to provide parking.

Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting 12pm 1st July 2021

PRESENT: Cllr S Nock (lead), Cllr J King, Cllr J Harvey, Cllr B Kumar and EO.

21/00883/FUL 7 Blakesfield Drive. Rendering to all walls of existing bungalow.

Lickey and Blackwell Parish Council have no objection to this application and welcome the opportunity for the resident to use an insulating render to make the home more efficient.

21/00312/FUL 32 Lickey Square Lickey. Proposed detached dwellinghouse using previously approved access driveway.

Lickey and Blackwell Parish Council object strongly to this application and we would like to reiterate our previous comments. The proposed dwelling is far too large and elevated. It would overlook the neighbouring houses and remove privacy. Trees may be impacted, which would potentially have provided screening from the development. Balconies and large windows will take away privacy. This application is against BDP19 and our Neighbourhood Plan BD3 against back garden development. Documents in the application contain errors – the site document omits the entrance to Cleveland Drive and the ownership document has incorrect information and measurements are lacking from the plans. This application would impact on the housing density and character of the local area.

Whilst the Parish Council appreciate that there is an apparent need for housing in the district, as we recently heard at CALC, there is a lack of smaller and more affordable properties. The need for such properties was also indicated in our NDP. This build would be far bigger than most houses in Lickey (and potentially could be converted to a 3 storey or have balconies or further extension making it far bigger than this already too large build) and far outside the achievable budget of those seeking to purchase a first home or downsize in the District/Parish.

We support the objections raised by residents. We would like the Planning Committee to consider the impact on the highway at Lickey Square which is already extremely congested with parked cars

and is effectively a single track road most of the time. Please consider the distress to residents who are anxious about potential loss of privacy and light. Please consider a better use of this valuable site if indeed it must be developed.

Next meeting will be 22nd July in person at Trinity Centre 11am.