CENTRAL PLANNING COMMITTEE SCHEDULE OF ADDITIONAL LETTERS

Date: 16 February 2017

NOTE: This schedule reports only additional letters received before 5pm on the day before committee. Any items received on the day of Committee will be reported verbally to the meeting

Item No.	Application No.	Originator:
5.	16/00476/OUT (Lesley Owen Way)	Shrewsbury & Newport Canals Trust (SNCT)

The application is for a proposed development on land which is adjacent to the line of the old Shrewsbury Canal. Whilst this canal has been abandoned for some years, it is the intention of SNCT to restore this section of the canal to full navigation in association with the reinstatement of the Shrewsbury and Newport canals from Shrewsbury through to the junction with the Shropshire Union Canal at Norbury Junction. Indeed, work on the length of canal within Shrewsbury may be taking place well in advance of the main restoration as a result of the significant support for a self-contained project to re-water the canal within the town.

SNCT acknowledge that the development as currently proposed remains outside the boundary of the old canal route and therefore should not have a significant impact on the eventual canal restoration. We also note the substantial green area at the south-eastern boundary of the site which has been set aside for newts and other wildlife benefits and SNCT would like to acknowledge the many benefits of this element of the scheme. We would, however, ask that officers and members are mindful of the close proximity of the canal route, particularly if the need should arise for any associated services to reach the site across the line of the canal. If this is proposed or there are any other aspects of the development in its final form which could have an adverse impact on a future canal restoration we would ask that SNCT is invited to join a dialogue with the developers and the council to seek a suitable solution.