

PETERLEE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SHOTTON HALL,
PETERLEE

ON MONDAY 4TH APRIL 2011

PRESENT: COUN. D MILSOM (CHAIR)

Mesdames: M Milsom, S McDonnell, L Wood
& J Black

Messrs: W M Jeffrey, C J Metcalfe, T Jones,
J Alvey, R Huitson, C Austin, C Watkins,
D Langan, R Curtis & H Bennett MBE

**MEMBERS WERE REMINDED OF THE NEED TO
DISCLOSE ANY INTEREST PREJUDICIAL OR
PERSONAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CODE OF
CONDUCT.**

51. MDA TO MAKE A PRESENTATION ON BEHALF OF
TESCO

The Chairman welcomed Mary Dryden, Managing Director of MDA, working on behalf of Tesco to the Meeting. She thanked the Town Council for the opportunity to come along to address the Meeting and gave a brief update with the proposed plans for a Tesco Extra Store to be built on the former College site, Burnhope Way, Peterlee. She reiterated that a library was in the plans to be rebuilt on this development. It was anticipated that 400 no. jobs full and part time would be created, 500 no. car parking spaces, open twenty four hours per day and security manned.

Members reiterated that the Town Council supported any improvements and competition within the Town.

Mrs Dryden reported all planning applications for retail developments would be heard on Tuesday 3rd May 2011.

A question and answers session was held and the Chairman thanked Mrs Dryden for her attendance.

RECOMMENDED that the Acting Town Clerk contact Durham County Council requesting a firm date when the retail development applications for Peterlee was determined, the Town Council's concerns at the delays be expressed on this matter.

52. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted and accepted from Councillors; E W Hall (poorly) and R Jones (Wife poorly).

53. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member, were agreed.

53. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Members had been circulated copies of planning applications received since the last meeting. The Clerk advised of an additional two applications received since the compilation of the agenda, details as follows:-

Proposed: Projecting, Fascia and Other Signs including Illuminated and Non-Illuminated

At: Wilkinson's s Store, Unit 1, Castle Dene Shopping Centre, Peterlee

For: Wilkinson's Group of Companies

Proposed: Rear Extension
At: 28 Corby Grove, Peterlee
For: Mr K Milburn

RECOMMENDED that no comments be made on the above applications.

54. PLANNING DECISIONS

Members had been circulated copies of planning decisions received since the last meeting.

RECOMMENDED that the information given, be noted.

55. COUNTY DURHAM SETTLEMENT STUDY QUESTIONNAIRE

Members were circulated with a copy of the above questionnaire, which were to be posted back directly to Durham County Council.

RECOMMENDED that any Member who had completed a questionnaire were to hand in to the Acting Town Clerk as soon as possible.