

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE OF THE 2ND SEPTEMBER 2013

PETERLEE TOWN COUNCIL

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HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SHOTTON HALL,
PETERLEE

ON MONDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 2013

PRESENT: COUN R KYLE (CHAIR)

Mesdames:- K Liddell, S Simpson, L Wood, M Milsom
V Watson & M Thompson

Messrs:- S Miles, D Sillito, W M Jeffrey, C Watkins, L Cook,
C J Metcalfe, C Robbins, D Milsom & A Watson

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

12. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted and accepted from Councillors
F Price, (family commitments), C Baty and G Cowie, (ill).

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

14. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no planning applications for Peterlee received.

RECOMMENDED that the information given, be noted.

15. PLANNING DECISIONS/DELEGATED AUTHORITY

Receipt of the decisions received from Durham County Council were reported for Member's information.

RECOMMENDED that the information given, be noted.

16. RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF UP TO 900 NO DWELLINGS & LOCAL RETAIL CENTRE, (OUTLINE) - COUNTY PLANNING COMMITTEE TUESDAY 2ND JULY 2013

Members gave consideration to a document submitted by Councillor Miles on behalf of the Local Resident's Association. It was explained that the comments and concerns within the document were from residents across Peterlee, Easington Village and Little Thorpe and they were committed to continuing with their opposition to this development and they asked Peterlee Town Council to support them in opposing the next stage of the planning application.

A copy of the minutes of the County Planning Committee of the 2nd July 2013 where outline planning approval was given, subject to the conditions outlined in the report.

Whilst it was understood that this was outline only Members were concerned at the three offsite highways improvement schemes that would be needed should the applications be approved as follows, which had not at any time been discussed with the Town Council:-

- i) adjustments to the timings of the traffic signals on the A19/B1320 junction to accommodate traffic;
- ii) signalisation on the A1086 Thorpe Road/Essington Way Junction; and
- iii) localised road widening on Lowhills Road, and Stephenson Way approaches to the development, which could be accommodated within the current highway boundaries.

Members were concerned that they had not been advised of these works and asked for further details on the road traffic alterations and also on the retail element of the development, details of which had

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also never been given in previous discussions. It was also asked if this development were to proceed what Parish would it fall within.

RECOMMENDED that these issues be taken up with Planning Officers at Durham County Council and Members be advised of the outcome.