

PETERLEE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SHOTTON HALL,
PETERLEE

ON MONDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2014

PRESENT: COUN R KYLE (CHAIR)

Mesdames:- K Liddell, L Wood & V Watson

Messrs:- S Miles, W M Jeffrey, C Watkins, L Cook, G Cowie,
C J Metcalfe & A Watson

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

27. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been previously submitted and accepted from Councillor Baty and Councillor Thompson, (ill). Further apologies had now been received from Councillor D Sillito and K Liddell, (Work commitments) and J Alvey, (on holiday).

RECOMMENDED the Council approve the reasons submitted for absence received from Councillors C Baty, D Sillito, K Liddell and J Alvey, on the grounds given above, and their apologies for absence be recorded. FURTHER RECOMMENDED that Councillor Thompson's apologies not be accepted.

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

Matters Arising

Site of the former British Legion

Members were advised of progress with enforcement by Durham County Council at this site.

RECOMMENDED the information given be noted and progress be awaited.

29. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Details of a planning application received was reported, as follows:-

- (i) 1 Elm Tree Gardens, Two storey rear extension
- (ii) 1 Lindisfarne, two storey side extension, integral side double garage and single storey rear extension

RECOMMENDED the information given, be noted and no further comments be made.

30. DELEGATED PLANNING DECISIONS

Details of the planning decisions and applications determined under delegated authority were considered as follows:-

- (a) 2 – Upper Chare, change of use from Financial & Professional Services (A2) to non residential education training centre (D1) for Catch 22
- (b) 19 Millom Court, side & rear single storey extension

RECOMMENDED that the information given, be noted.

31. PLANNING APPEAL, SITE AT APOLLO HOUSE, BRAKENHILL BUSINESS PARK, BIRCHWOOD DRIVE

Members were circulated with details of a current planning appeal and a request for support in objecting to the planning application that it related to.

RECOMMENDED the Town Council lodge their objection to the planning application relating to the conversion from office to residential flats at this site on the grounds that it was inappropriate to permit residential development on a key industrial and Business Park that would generate future growth. It was felt there was strong economic reasons why the development would be inappropriate. It was also felt the housing needs for the area were being addressed by current and future housing development in the area and the development of a further 35 flats was not required.