

At an Extraordinary meeting of the DEVELOPMENT CONTROL (HETTON, HOUGHTON AND WASHINGTON) SUB-COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE on TUESDAY, 13th December, 2011 at 4.00 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor Fletcher in the Chair

Councillors Lauchlan, Morrissey, Padgett, D. Richardson, Tate and Thompson

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest received.

Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

Applications made under the Town and Country Planning Acts and Regulations made thereunder

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report, supplementary report and circulatory report (copies circulated), which related to Hetton, Houghton and Washington areas, copies of which had also been forwarded to each Member of the Cabinet upon applications made under the Town and Country Planning Acts and Regulations made thereunder.

(for copy report – see original minutes)

11/01980/FUL – Redevelopment of existing Household Waste and Recycling Centre, including raised access platforms, roof over Household Waste and Recycling area and erection of building to accommodate Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) and provide staff facilities and associated access and infrastructure. Gateshead MBC Campground Refuse Disposal Works Springwell Road Springwell Gateshead
11/02076/FUL – Redevelopment of campground waste transfer station including: waste reception building, storage facilities, staff site office, visitors centre, wind turbine, car parking and associated infrastructure and landscaping. Campground Refuse Disposal Workd Springwell Road Springwell Gateshead NE9 7XW

An additional report for circulation being tabled at the meeting the Chairman moved that both of these applications be deferred to a future meeting of the Committee to allow a further and comprehensive report to be brought to the Committee to enable Members to fully consider all the issues in order to be able to make an informed decision given that they had just been provided with an additional report which they had not had time to read in depth. The deferral would also allow the Officers to provide a full list of proposed conditions rather than just a list of headings which would also facilitate due consideration by Members and interested parties.

Members unanimously agreed this motion and as such it was:-

1. RESOLVED that consideration of both applications be deferred to a future meeting of the Committee.

11/03016/SUB – Erection of 30,000sq m manufacturing facility including ancillary offices, car parking/servicing, associated highway improvements and access arrangements (Resubmission) Radial 64 (Former Dunlop Tyre Factory) Birtley Road Washington

The representative of the Deputy Chief Executive, Mr Mike Mattok, presented the report. He advised that consent had previously been granted for this development in March 2011 however since then there had been some changes made to the proposals which it was considered were sufficient to warrant a new planning application to be submitted.

Mr Mattok advised that the revised proposal would see a total floorspace of 30,219sq m which was slightly above the 30,000sq m limit which had been imposed on the previous consent. The limit had been imposed for traffic control reasons however it was felt that given there were ancillary buildings to be built that there would not be any adverse impact of increasing the floorspace. The buildings were to remain the same height and design as previously approved. The access arrangements would also be unchanged.

Councillor Padgett stated that it was pleasing that Rolls Royce had carried out extensive consultation in the area; the residents in his Ward had been happy with the proposals and the level of engagement.

Councillor Thompson stated that it was excellent to see this development would be taking place. The Chairman agreed and added that it was a fantastic opportunity for Washington.

2. RESOLVED that the application be approved for the reasons set out in the supplementary report and subject to the 51 conditions set out therein.

(Signed) J. FLETCHER,
Chairman.