At a meeting of the DEVELOPMENT CONTROL (HETTON, HOUGHTON AND WASHINGTON) SUB-COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE on TUESDAY, 2nd NOVEMBER, 2010 at 5.45p.m.

Present:-

Councillor Fletcher in the Chair

Councillors Charlton, Cuthbert, Padgett, D. Richardson, Scaplehorn, Snowdon, Tate and Tye

Declarations of Interest

Councillor Cuthbert declared a personal interest in application 10/03238/FUL – erection of retail shop unit and hot food take-away as a ward colleague lived in the area and he had been involved in previous campaigns regarding the flats.

Councillor Tate declared a personal interest in application 10/03311/FUL – Site of Middle House, East Croft and Summerhouse Farm, South Street, East Rainton, Houghton-le-Spring under the Items for Information as a Member of Hetton Town Council, which is a consultee and that in such capacity, he had not taken part in any consideration or discussion of their response.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Miller, I. Richardson, J. Scott and Wakefield

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

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copies circulated) and a supplementary report, 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.

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10/02587/FUL – Subdivision of one unit into two and external alterations at Unit 2, Galleries Retail Park, Washington, NE38 7QY

1. RESOLVED that the application for planning permission be granted for the reasons given and subject to the three conditions as set out in the report.

10/03238/FUL – Erection of (A1) retail shop unit 455.sqm and (A5) hot food take-away 62.9sqm at the public car park open east of Barmston Centre, Washington

Councillor Cuthbert asked if the neighbouring care home had been consulted as part of the planning application process and if they had were they objecting to the scheme. The representative of the Deputy Chief Executive advised that the care home had been fully consulted and that no objections had been received from them.

Discussions ensued around there being enough litter bins in the surrounding area to the shop and also on the most appropriate time for it to close, and it was:-

2. RESOLVED that the application for planning permission be granted for the reasons as given, subject to the sixteen conditions as set out in the report, amending the condition relating to opening hours to the A5 hot food take-away to state that the premises should cease trading by no later than 23:00 and to include a condition regarding the ample provision of litter bins in the area.

10/03334//AML – Amendments to previously approved application 10/00810/LAP (single storey extension to front) to alter ridge height of proposed roof at Bernard Gilpin Primary School, Hall Lane, Houghton-le-Spring, DH5 8DA

3. RESOLVED that in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulation 1992 that the application be approved for the reasons as set out in the report and subject to the two conditions set out therein, read alongside the existing permission and the conditions attached to that permission.

Items for Information

- 4. RESOLVED that a site visit be undertaken to the following application:-
 - 10/03311/FUL Site of Middle House, East Croft & Summerhouse Farm, South Street, East Rainton, Houghton-le-Spring, DH5 9QR at the request of Councillor Tate.

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 – Appeals

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) concerning the appeals received and determined for the period 1st September, 2010 to 30th September, 2010.

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4. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

(Signed) J. FLETCHER, Chairman.