At an Extraordinary Meeting of the DEVELOPMENT CONTROL (SOUTH SUNDERLAND) SUB-COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE on TUESDAY, 24th FEBRUARY, 2009 AT 4.00 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor D. Forbes in the Chair

Councillors M. Dixon, M. Forbes, T. Martin, Miller, Morrissey, O'Connor, Wares, S. Watson, A. Wilson, Wood and A. Wright

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Blackburn, Ellis and E. Gibson

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

The Director of Development and Regeneration submitted a report together with a supplementary report and a report for circulation (copies circulated) relating to the South Sunderland Area, copies of which had also been forwarded to each Member of the Council, upon applications made under the Town and Country Planning Acts and the Regulations made thereunder.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

09/00330/LAP – New Pedestrian and vehicular access to Barnes Park from Ettrick Grove. Gates to match existing fence.

Mrs Patterson, a local resident, spoke against the application. She stated that:-

- There would be three tennis courts removed and replaced with a smaller multi use games area.
- The existing tennis courts are only underused due to their state of disrepair.
- The residents were against cars being allowed into the park and there was no requirement to have parking for 40 cars within the park as there was sufficient space to park on-street on the roadside on Ettrick Grove.
- She had heard that there were plans for a small depot to be put onto the site, there was an existing depot in the park and as such it was unnecessary to build a further depot on this site.

 People had complained about the proposed car park on Barnes Park Road and the proposed depot in the Park Extension, she felt it was unfair to build them on this site instead.

The Representative of the Director of Development and Regeneration advised that there had not been a decision made on a location for the depot and that there were various locations being looked at, some of which were located away from the park. In any event the relocation of the depot was a separate planning matter and would be the subject of a separate planning application (if required). The tennis courts had been underused for a long time and the multi use games area would provide a facility which would be used by young people. The car park would be preferable in terms of highway safety than parking on the roadside.

09/00332/LAP – installation of new staircase to existing embankment on land formerly within the former depot centre. (Amended description 28.01.09)

The Representative of the Director of Development and Regeneration advised that the proposal would involve the removal of the Barnes Park depot and that an objection had been received regarding the proposed relocation of the depot. There were no plans to remove the depot until a new site for the depot had been identified.

RESOLVED that:-

(i). 09/00329/LAP – New Pillars and entrance gate to existing pedestrian alley off Barnes Park Road. Replacement of existing palisade fencing with new fencing to match Barnes View Terrace

Consent be granted in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992, for the reasons set out in the supplementary report and subject to the 8 conditions set out therein.

(ii). 09/00330/LAP – New Pedestrian and vehicular access to Barnes Park from Ettrick Grove. Gates to match existing fence.

Consent be granted in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992, for the reasons set out in the supplementary report and report for circulation and subject to the 9 conditions set out therein.

(iii). 09/00331/LAP – Erection of disabled toilet block / changing unit within Barnes Park

Consent be granted in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992, for the reasons set out in the supplementary report and subject to the 8 conditions set out therein.

(iv). 09/00332/LAP – Installation of new staircase to existing embankment on land formerly within the former depot centre (Amended description 28.01.09)

Consent be granted in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992, for the reasons set out in the supplementary report and subject to the 8 conditions set out therein.

- (v). 09/00333/LAL Restoration of existing bandstand
 - (a) Members be minded to grant consent for the reasons set out in the supplementary report and subject to the 8 conditions set out therein: and
 - (b) The application be referred to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government in accordance with Regulation 13 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990.
- (vi). 09/00334/LAL Restoration of existing piers and railings, replacement of existing gates with a style in keeping with the original gates on Durham Road entrance to Barnes Park.
 - (a) Members be minded to grant consent for the reasons set out in the supplementary report and subject to the 9 conditions set out therein; and
 - (b) The application be referred to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government in accordance with Regulation 13 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990.

(Signed) D. FORBES, Chairman.