

At a meeting of the DEVELOPMENT CONTROL (HETTON, HOUGHTON AND WASHINGTON) SUB-COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE on TUESDAY, 1st FEBRUARY, 2011 at 5.45p.m.

Present:-

Councillor Fletcher in the Chair

Councillors Charlton, Miller, Padgett, D. Richardson, Scaplehorn, Snowdon, Tate and Wakefield

Declarations of Interest

Councillor Tate declared personal interests in applications 10/03624/FUL – Hetton Lyons Workshops, Hetton Lyons Industrial Estate and 10/04067/FUL – High Moorsley Farm, Moorsly Road, Hetton le Hole, as a Member of Hetton Town Council, which is a consultee and which 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 Cuthbert, I. Richardson and J. Scott

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

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copies circulated), a supplementary report and a report for circulation, 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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10/03228/FUL – Erection of a materials recycling facility for the processing of wood, plastics, cardboard, metal and rubble at land at Monument Park, Washington East, NE38 8QU

The representative of the Deputy Chief Executive advised that a verbal objection had been received from Durham group who operated as Premier Waste, regarding the fact that some works had already been undertaken on the site. He advised that the

Council would not take the decision to enforce any action on this matter until the application had been considered by this Committee. The period for the receipt of further representation did not expire until the 8th February, 2011 and therefore, it was:-

1. RESOLVED that the application be delegated to the Deputy Chief Executive to approve the application subject to no new objections or representations being received by 8th February, 2011 for the reasons as given and subject to the twenty four conditions as set out in the supplementary report.

10/03624/FUL – Change of use from agricultural merchants depot to a storage and vehicle maintenance facility at Hetton Lyons Workshop (former NCB Workshops), Hetton Lyons Industrial Estate, Hetton le Hole, DH5 0RH

Although Members attention was drawn to condition four within the report which stated that no activities other than those detailed in the application shall be carried out at the site between the hours of 20:00 and 07:00 without being approved by the Local Planning Authority, concerns were still raised around what would happen if the intensity of work currently being undertaken was to increase, possibly causing noise disturbances during the night and over weekends. Members requested that a time limit be placed on any approval of the application so that it could be revisited should the need occur.

2. RESOLVED that the application for a change of use be approved for the reasons as given and subject to the eight conditions set out in the report and an additional condition limiting the permission for a period of three years

10/03923/FUL – Substitution of house types application ref: 09/02185/REM, 09/02328/REM and 09/04769/FUL on land at the former Lambton Cokeworks, Elba Park, Lambton Lane, Houghton-le-Spring

3. RESOLVED that the application be approved for the reasons as given and subject to the fifteen conditions as set out in the report.

10/04067/FUL – Erection of agricultural storage building at High Moorsley Farm, Moorsley Road, Hetton le Hole, DH5 0RJ

4. RESOLVED that the application be delegated to the Deputy Chief Executive to approve subject to no representations of objections having been received by the 4th February, 2011, for the reasons given and subject to the five conditions as set out in the report.

Items for Information

5. RESOLVED that a site visit be undertaken to the following applications:-

- 10/03726/HYB – Land East of Pattinson Road, Washington, Tyne and Wear at the request of Councillor Miller; and
- Radial 64 (Former Dunlop Tyre Factory), Birtley Road, Washington at the request of Councillor Miller.

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 – Appeals

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) concerning the appeals received for the period 1st December, 2010 to 31st December, 2010.

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6. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

(Signed) J. FLETCHER,
Chairman.