At a meeting of the DEVELOPMENT CONTROL (NORTH SUNDERLAND) SUB-COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE on WEDNESDAY, 1ST FEBRUARY, 2012 at 4.45 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor T. Foster in the Chair

Councillors Curran, Francis and E. Gibson.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Charlton, Copeland, Fletcher, D. Richardson, Tye and L. Walton.

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

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copy circulated) relating to the North Sunderland area, copies of which had also been forwarded to each Member of the Council upon applications made thereunder.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

11/03149/FUL – Change of use from public house to 6 No. bedsits and maintenance/store area and change of use of garage to beauty spa to include an extension to the rear – The Wearsider, Emsworth Road, Sunderland, SR5 2QG

Danielle Pearson, Senior Planner presented the report and was on hand to answer Members queries.

In response to a query from Councillor Francis, Mrs. Pearson advised that the units were unlikely to accomodate more than one person in each individual room so it was expected that the eight parking spaces would suffice.

In relation to Councillor Curran's concerns over car parking usage from the proposed Beauty Spa, Eric Henderson, Engineer advised that as the bedsits would come under social housing, they accept a much lesser ratio for parking and he was comfortable with the parking provision for this site.

Councillor E. Gibson commented that the bedsits could be suitable for students who may not possess cars.

1. RESOLVED that the application be approved subject to the eight conditions set out in the report.

(Signed) T. FOSTER, Chairman.