At a meeting of the DEVELOPMENT CONTROL (SOUTH SUNDERLAND) SUB-COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE on TUESDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER, 2009 at 4.30 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor E. Gibson in the Chair

Councillors Charlton, Copeland, M. Dixon, Ellis, Fletcher, M. Forbes, T. Martin, Miller, Scaplehorn, Wood, A. Wright.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ball, Morrissey, O'Connor, Tye and P. Watson.

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

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report and supplementary report (copies circulated) relating to the South Sunderland area, copies of which had 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 reports – see original minutes).

08/04460/FUL – Erection of 4 dwelling houses with associated access taken from Barton Park.

1. RESOLVED that the application be refused for the 2 reasons set out in the report.

09/03523/LAP – Temporary change of use of land to provide Christmas food court, including erection of Christmas tree and carousel.

Councillor Wood thanked officers for the early submission of the application on this occasion, as he had not been happy with the fact that retrospective planning permission had been sought for the Christmas market in previous years. He supported the recommendation and felt that Condition 2 requiring the submission of further details regarding the exact dimensions and elevations of the proposed buildings and structures for prior approval was sensible.

Councillor Copeland commented that the area was an alcohol free zone. She queried whether this would have an impact on the proposed bar as part of the market.

The representative of the Deputy Chief Executive advised that it was expected that the bar would have an enclosed area for customers. However, the regulation of the sale of alcohol was subject to a separate statutory regime to planning.

The representative of the Deputy Chief Executive also highlighted that it was proposed that if a similar application was made again next year then it was possible that the application could be made to cover three consecutive years and be operative between the period November to January of each year, with a further condition requiring that the plans for the precise layout of the Market would be submitted for approval each year.

2. RESOLVED that consent be granted in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992 for the reasons set out in the report and subject to the two conditions contained therein.

09/03531/LAP – Siting of outdoor ice rink for temporary period to include skate changing area and ticket office using temporary structures and siting of four number wooden chalets on terrace adjacent to Museum/Winter Gardens.

3. RESOLVED that the Members be minded to grant consent in accordance with Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992, subject to no new planning objections being received prior to the expiry of the formal consultation period, for the reasons set out in the reports and subject to the three conditions contained therein.

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 – Appeals

The Director of Development and Regeneration submitted a report (copy circulated) concerning the above for the period 1st September, 2009 to 30th September, 2009.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

4. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

(Signed) E. GIBSON, Chairman.