

At a meeting of the PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE held in COMMITTEE ROOM 2 on WEDNESDAY, 23RD OCTOBER, 2013 at 5.30 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor Tye in the Chair

Councillors Ball, Copeland, Curran, Davison, Dixon, Ellis, Francis, E. Gibson, Lauchlan, T. Martin, Padgett, Price, D. Richardson, Scaplehorn, Thompson, Walker and Wood.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Blackburn, Essl, Howe, Scott, P. Watson and D. Wilson

Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 17th September, 2013.

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 17th September, 2013 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Report of the Meeting of the Development Control (North Sunderland) Sub Committee held on 2nd October, 2013

The report of the meeting of the Development Control (North Sunderland) Sub-Committee held on 2nd October, 2013 (copy circulated) was submitted.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

2. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

Report of the Meetings of the Development Control (Hetton, Houghton and Washington) Sub-Committee held on 4th September and 2nd October, 2013

The reports of the meetings of the Development Control (Hetton, Houghton and Washington) Sub-Committee held on 4th September and 2nd October 2013 (copies circulated) were submitted.

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3. RESOLVED that the reports be received and noted.

Report of the Meetings of the Development Control (South Sunderland) Sub-Committee held on 3rd September and 1st October, 2013

The reports of the meetings of the Development Control (South Sunderland) Sub-Committee held on 3rd September and 1st October, 2013 (copies circulated) were submitted.

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4. RESOLVED that the reports be received and noted.

Planning for the Future – Core Strategy and Urban Core Plan for Gateshead and Newcastle: City Council Response to Consultation

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copy attached) to provide the Committee with an opportunity to consider the proposals set out in the emerging Core Strategy for Newcastle and Gateshead and agree a response to the consultation exercise being conducted by the Councils.

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Gary Clasper, Principal Policy Officer for Planning presented the report and was on hand to answer Members' queries.

Mr Clasper advised Members that the statutory period for making representations on the strategy had been extended to allow any comments from this Committee to be included.

Councillor T. Martin commented that he welcomed the changes to the strategy and the fact that colleagues from the neighbouring authorities had taken this Council's comments into consideration, in particular those on Leam Lane.

The Chairman also welcomed the changes in response to Leam Lane and requested a covering letter be included with our response to the consultation,

thanking Newcastle/Gateshead colleagues for taking our concerns into consideration and their cooperation on the matter.

5. RESOLVED that the Committee

- i) Endorsed the comments as detailed within the report;
- ii) Authorised the Deputy Chief Executive to prepare a covering letter setting out the agreed response of this Committee; and
- iii) Authorised officers to forward a copy of this report and covering letter to Gateshead Council as constituting the City Council's formal response to the Core Strategy and Urban Core Plan for Gateshead and Newcastle.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting.

(Signed) P. TYE
(Chairman)