

At a meeting of the PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE held in COMMITTEE ROOM 2 on THURSDAY, 19TH DECEMBER, 2013 at 5.30 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor Tye in the Chair

Councillors Blackburn, Copeland, Davison, Dixon, E. Gibson, Howe, Lauchlan, T. Martin, Padgett, Price, D. Richardson, Scaplehorn, Scott and Walker.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Ball, Curran, Ellis, Essl, Francis, Thompson, Turton, P. Watson, D. Wilson and Wood.

Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 23rd October, 2013.

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 23rd October, 2013 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Committee held on 28th November, 2013.

2. RESOLVED that the minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the Committee held on 28th November, 2013 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Report of the Meeting of the Development Control (North Sunderland) Sub Committee held on 30th October, 2013

The report of the meeting of the Development Control (North Sunderland) Sub-Committee held on 30th October, 2013 (copy circulated) was submitted.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

3. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.

Report of the Meetings of the Development Control (Hetton, Houghton and Washington) Sub-Committee held on 30th October, 28th November, 2013 and the extraordinary meeting held on 20th November, 2013.

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4. RESOLVED that the reports be received and noted.

Report of the Meetings of the Development Control (South Sunderland) Sub-Committee held on 29th October and 26th November, 2013

The reports of the meetings of the Development Control (South Sunderland) Sub-Committee held on 29th October and 26th November, 2013 (copies circulated) were submitted.

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5. RESOLVED that the reports be received and noted.

The County Durham Plan, Local Plan Pre- Submission Draft: Consultation Response of the City Council

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copy attached) informing the Committee that the Council had been consulted by Durham County Council regarding the next stage of its emerging Local Plan (The County Durham Plan). This report highlighted specific issues arising from the County Durham Plan that would be of potential significance to the future development of the city.

Committee was asked to endorse the consultation response that had been submitted by officers to Durham County Council in consultation with the Chair of the Committee given the short timescale that had been provided for consultation responses.

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

6. RESOLVED that the Committee
- i) Endorse the comments of officers on the draft Local Plan as detailed within the report;
 - ii) Authorise officers to forward a copy of the committee report to Durham County Council as the City Council's formal response to the Local Plan.

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

(Signed) P. TYE
(Chairman)