At a Meeting of the DEVELOPMENT CONTROL (SOUTH SUNDERLAND) SUB-COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE on TUESDAY, 25th NOVEMBER, 2008 AT 4.15 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor E. Gibson in the Chair

Councillors, M. Dixon, Ellis, D. Forbes, M. Forbes, T. Martin, Morrissey, O'Connor, Tye, Wares, D. Wilson, Wood and A. Wright

Declarations of Interest

07/04411/FUL – Erection of 90 no. residential dwellings with associated works and stopping up of existing highway. (Amended plans and description)

Councillors E. Gibson, T. Martin, O'Connor, Tye, Wares and D. Wilson declared personal and prejudicial interests in the application as close associates of Councillors P. Watson and S. Watson who were consultees in connection with the planning application.

Further, Councillors O'Connor and D. Wilson also declared personal and prejudicial interests in the application as Local Authority appointed Directors of the Gentoo Group as the owner of the application site.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Blackburn, Miller, S. Watson and A. Wilson.

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

The Director of Development and Regeneration submitted a report together with a supplementary report (copies circulated) relating to the South Sunderland Area, copies of which had also been forwarded to each Member of the Council, upon applications made under the Town and Country Planning Acts and the Regulations made thereunder.

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Change in the order of business

It was agreed that 07/04411/FUL – Erection of 90 no. residential dwellings and associated works and stopping up of existing highway. (Amended plans and description) be heard after the item 08/03759/LAP – Temporary change

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Councillors Tye and Wood both commented that they considered the application had been submitted late by the relevant Council Directorate as the market had opened on 17th November.

In response, the Director of Development & Regeneration's representative advised that the temporary operation of the market for the first 14 days in any calendar year was permitted development and did not require formal planning permission.

07/04411/FUL – Erection of 90 no. residential dwellings and associated works and stopping up of existing highway. Amended plans and description)

Councillor D. Forbes chaired during this item as the chairman had declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the application.

The Members commented that the Officer's recommendation had now changed following amendments to the application. The Members requested a further report providing further information on the detail of the amendments and the impact of the development proposals on the proposed Masterplan for the High Ford Area.

- 1. RESOLVED that:-
 - (i). 08/03759/LAP Temporary change of use to Christmas market including erection of Christmas tree, German food stalls and carousel

The application be approved for the reasons set out in the report and subject to the condition contained therein.

 (ii). 07/04411/FUL – Erection of 90 no. residential dwellings with associated works and stopping up of existing highway (Amended plans and description)

The application be deferred to enable a further report to be produced detailing all of the amendments made to the application.

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 October, 2008 to 31st October, 2008.

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- 2. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted.
- (Signed) E. GIBSON, Chairman.

D. FORBES, Vice-Chairman.