At a meeting of the DEVELOPMENT CONTROL (HETTON, HOUGHTON AND WASHINGTON) SUB-COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE on TUESDAY, 8th SEPTEMBER, 2009 at 5.30 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor Miller in the Chair

Councillors Copeland, Heron, T. Martin, J. Scott, Snowdon and Wakefield

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Charlton, Chamberlin, I. Cuthbert, Fletcher, I. Richardson, Scaplehorn and Wake

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

The Director of Development and Regeneration submitted a report, a supplementary report and a report for circulation (copies circulated) which related to Hetton, Houghton and Washington areas, copies of which had also been forwarded to each Member of the Cabinet upon applications made under the Town and Country Planning Acts and Regulations made thereunder.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

09/02422/FUL – Erection of detached building comprising a new accommodation block to provide nine additional bedrooms, communal lounge and dining areas, kitchen and utility area to existing care home at 14 Park view, Houghton-Le-Spring

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

09/02486/FUL – Construction of a two storey office / teaching facility at land off access road to A1290, Nissan Motor Manufacturing (UK) Ltd, Washington Road, Usworth, Sunderland

Members having praised the good work of the further education facility, it was:-

2. RESOLVED that the application be approved for the reasons as set out in the report and subject to conditions covering the twenty four matters also set out in the report, together with the following additional condition: The development hereby approved shall implement the measures and monitoring strategy as set out in the Travel Plan, dated 19 August 2009 (prepared by The Workplace Travel Plan Company) to ensure that the Travel Plan targets are being met and in the interests of reducing the impact of the development on the Strategic Road Network and to accord with policy T14 of the approved UDP.

09/02732/FUL – Erection of loading bay extension to north elevation and installation of windows to east and south elevations at new unit at Mulberry Way, Fence Houses Industrial Estate, Houghton-le-Spring

The Members expressed concerns relating to the windows that overlooked neighbouring properties and asked if a condition could be included to ensure that non-transparent materials were used for them.

Members also asked that a condition be included to address the issue of the landscaping to the front of the property, which would give an overall better presentation to the entrance of the site.

The representative of the Director of Development and Regeneration advised that these conditions would be included, and it was:-

3. RESOLVED that the application be approved subject to the three conditions as set out in the report and two further conditions set out as requested by the Sub-Committee.

(Signed) G. MILLER, Chairman.