PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE

14 January 2015

PRESENT – The Mayor (Councillor Lee), Councillor Baldwin (in the Chair); Councillors L. Haszeldine, Knowles, Long, D. Lyonette, Macnab, Regan, Stenson and J. Taylor. (10)

APOLOGIES – Councillors Cartwright, Cossins and Johnson. (3)

ABSENT -

OFFICERS – Dave Coates, Principal Planning Officer, Paul Ibbertson, Engineer, within Services for Economic Growth and Andrew Errington, Lawyer (Planning) within the Neighbourhood Services and Resources Group. (3)

PA68. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – There were no declarations of interest at the meeting.

PA69. MINUTES - Submitted - The Minutes (previously circulated) of the meetings of this Committee held on 17 December 2014.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes be approved as correct records.

PA70. PROCEDURE – The Chief Executive's representative gave a short presentation which outlined the procedure to be followed during consideration of the applications for planning permission before this Committee.

RESOLVED – That the procedure be noted.

PA71. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION AND OTHER CONSENTS UNDER THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT AND ASSOCIATED LEGISLATION

(1) Planning Permission Refused

14/01113/FUL - Land at rear of 3-4 Hill Garth, Darlington. Erection of a two storey housing development comprising 4 No dwellings (Resubmitted application).

(In reaching its decision, the Committee took into consideration the Planning Officer's report (previously circulated) five letters of objection, and the comments of the Council's Highways Engineer, the Council's Environmental Health Officer, the Local Authority Flood Management Officer, Northumbrian Water and Durham Constabulary Architectural Liaison Officer, all of which had been received and views the applicant's agent and three objectors all of whom Members heard).

RESOLVED - That planning permission be refused for the following reason :-

 The development would have an unacceptable impact when viewed from the rooms and gardens of the properties on Hill Garth due the proposals proximity, resulting in an adverse impact on the residential amenities of the occupiers of those dwellings. The development would be contrary to Policy CS16 (Protecting Environmental Resources, Human Health and Safety) of the Darlington Core Strategy Development Plan Document 2011.

PA72. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC - RESOLVED - That, pursuant to Sections 100A(4) and (5) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the ensuing item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in exclusion paragraph 7 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act.

PA73. PLANNING ENFORCEMENT ACTION (EXCLUSION NO. 7) - Pursuant to Minute PA67/Dec/14, the Director of Economic Growth submitted a report (previously circulated) detailing breaches of planning regulations investigated by this Council, as at 2 January 2015.

RESOLVED - That the report be received.