

Hetton Town Council



Minutes of the meeting of the Planning & Development Committee of Hetton Town Council held at The Hetton Centre, DH5 9NE on Tuesday 10 May 2022

Present

Cllr J Blackburn, Cllr D Geddis, Cllr K Rowham (Chairman) and Cllr S Waterston.

In attendance

Cllrs L Gibson, K Pearson and D Thomas.

G Keedy, Town Clerk (TC)

Member of Public (MoP) x 1

1) Apologies for absence

TC reported that apologies for absence had been received from Cllr P Dowell (other commitment) and Cllr I Scott (work commitment).

Committee resolved to approve the apologies received.

No apology for absence had been received from Cllr J Defty or Cllr R Heron.

Committee resolved that their absences be recorded as unapproved.

2) Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3) Public participation

MoP highlighted a recent RTA on North Road.

4) Planning applications notified by Sunderland City Council

Committee resolved to take action as indicated below:

22/00524/FUL

2 Bedeswell Drive Houghton-le-Spring DH5 8BW

Proposal: Single storey rear extension and first floor extension above existing garage.

Applicant: Mrs Leeann Adey

Committee unable to consider as incomplete information shown on SCC planning portal. TC to raise with SCC and seek confirmation of timescales for submission of comments.

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22/00621/FUL

Land to the rear of 21 South Hetton Road Easington Lane DH5 0LG

Proposal: Change of use from agricultural to equestrian use with erection of new residential dwelling and stable block with associated parking and creation of new access

Applicant: Whitegates Equestrian Centre

Following full discussion, Committee resolved that SCC be requested to convene a site meeting.

21/00603/FUL:

Land East of North Road Hetton-le-Hole Houghton-le-Spring

Proposal: Construction of 255 dwellings (use class C3) with associated access, landscaping and infrastructure (Amended description and updated submission)

Applicant: Persimmon Homes (Durham)

Following full discussion , Committee resolved to submit a formal written response to SCC comprising:

A formal objection on the following grounds: Highway safety; effect of hydrology on wetlands; loss of settlement break; lack of reports and assessments; lack of play space provision and the requirement for a new traffic plan post-pandemic.

And additionally, questioning the need for additional housing as Sunderland City Council has reached its quota of new builds required by central Government; and any benefit to the local economy due to the distance to local shopping area.

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