PETERLEE TOWN COUNCIL

THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SHOTTON HALL <u>PETERLEE</u>

ON MONDAY 5TH JULY 2010

PRESENT: COUN D MILSOM (CHAIR)

Mesdames:- L Wood, J I Measor & J Black

Messrs:- R Kyle, T A Jones, J Alvey, G Cowie, D Langan, R Huitson, C J Metcalfe, C Austin & E W Hall

MEMBERS WERE REMINDED OF THE NEED TO DISCLOSE ANY INTEREST PREJUDICIAL OR PERSONAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT.

7. <u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u>

Apologies for absence were submitted and accepted from Councillors H Bennett MBE, (community business), W M Jeffrey, (away on Council business), R W Jones, (family bereavement), S McDonnell, (ill), J Hardy, (at County Durham Local Government Committee Meeting).

8. <u>THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</u>, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member, were agreed.

3. <u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u>

Members were given details of planning applications received from Durham County Council.

RECOMMENDED that no observations be made on the remainder of the application details submitted.

4. <u>PLANNING DECISIONS</u>

Members were given details of the planning decisions received from Durham County Council.

RECOMMENDED that the information given, be noted.

5. <u>COUNTY DURHAM PLAN – ADDITONAL LARGER LOCAL</u> <u>COUNCILS FORUM MEETING</u>

Members were advised that a Special Meeting of the Larger Local Councils Forum was being held on 2^{nd} July 2010 at Great Aycliffe to consider the County Durham Plan.

An offer had been made for the meeting to be held at Shotton Hall but arrangements had already been made for it to take place at Great Aycliffe. It was asked if a future meeting of the CDALC Executive may be held at Shotton Hall instead on 14th July 2010, and following consultation with the Leader, this had been agreed.

RECOMMENDED that the action taken in this regard be endorsed.

6. <u>COUNTY DURHAM DEVELOPMENT PLAN</u>

Members were circulated with further details on this document. The Deputy Town Clerk also advised receipt of the Housing Strategy consultation document. The County Durham Development Plan had been discussed at the Larger Local Councils Forum held on Friday 2nd July 2010 at Newton Aycliffe. This was an extremely important issue and Members were concerned that Option A in the report was being made clear was the County Council's preferred choice.

Option B targeted the most deprived areas of County Durham to try and increase the quality of life for their residents and secure their regeneration. The Towns that were the main focus of this option are Newton Aycliffe, Peterlee, Spennymoor, Stanley and Shildon.

RECOMMENDED that Stuart Timmiss, Head of Planning Services, be invited to a Special Meeting to discuss these documents in more detail.