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PETERLEE TOWN COUNCIL

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HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, SHOTTON HALL, PETERLEE

ON MONDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2012

PRESENT: COUN C WATKINS (CHAIR)

Mesdames: M Milsom & J Black

Messrs: T A Jones, J Alvey, W M Jeffrey, R Curtis, J Hardy, D Langan, C J Metcalfe, R Huitson, D Milsom & C Austin

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

13. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted and accepted from Councillors L Wood, (holiday), H Bennett MBE, (holiday) & G Cowie, (asthma).

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

15. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

No planning applications had been received after those previously circulated during the Council recess.

RECOMMENDED that the information given be noted.

16. <u>APPLICATIONS DETERMINED UNDER DELEGATED</u> <u>AUTHORITY</u>

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

RECOMMENDED that the information given, be noted.

17. COUNTY DURHAM PLAN

(a) Parish Councillors & Residents Update

Members were circulated with a copy of the Durham County Council leaflet which set out the key details of the County Durham Plan, Public Consultation Events, and how to respond to the consultation. The public consultation events had been organised across the County which would enable Parish Councillors and residents to view proposals for their community and speak to Council Officers. In addition the AAP Board Meetings in September and October would include a presentation on the Plan along with a question and answer session with council officers. Parish Councillors and members of the public will also be able to attend these meetings.

RECOMMENDED that the information given, be noted and any Member wishing to attend the open public consultation events, do so.

(b) <u>Preferred Options</u>

Members were circulated with details of a challenge being made by Sedgefield Town Council to the housing allocation for Sedgefield contained in the County Durham Plan. Their Town Clerk had asked that if any other Town/Parish Council were considering making such a challenge, to contact her directly.

RECOMMENDED the Town Clerk make contact should it be necessary.

(c) <u>Neighbourhood Development Plans</u>

It was reported that MD² had been in contact following their recent presentation to the Town Council.

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RECOMMENDED that the information given, be noted and the Town Clerk consider further how this company may be able to assist the Town Council.