

## **MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE HELD ON 9TH JANUARY, 2018**

Present: Councillor Mrs B E Allen, (Chair),  
R Arthur, E Bell, Mrs J A Bell, Mrs K Brace,  
S P Colborn, S Cudlip, D Cummings,  
Mrs V Cummings, Mrs S Forster,  
Mrs R M Gratton, G N Hepworth, Mrs L  
Kennedy, D McKenna, K Shaw,  
T Shepherd, B Taylor, R Whitehead,  
Miss L Willis.

Observer: Mrs G Bleasdale.

Apologies: Councillors Mrs S Pratt.

*Prior to commencement of the meeting the Chair advised members of this Committee and members of the public that in line with the amendment to 'the public bodies (admission to meetings) act 1960', which came into force in August, 2014, parts of this meeting may be recorded by photographic, video and audio means.*

### **1. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

Members were reminded prior to the start of the meeting of the need to disclose any interests, prejudicial or personal, in accordance with the Code of Conduct.

Councillor Mrs G Bleasdale declared an interest and took no further part in the voting thereon.

### **2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2017**

RECOMMENDED the Minutes of these meetings, copies of which had been previously printed and circulated to each Member, be approved and signed as a correct record by the Chairman

### **3. PRESENTATIONS**

The scheduled presentation from Peacock & Smith with regards to the Garden Village proposal south of the A182 at Seaham was cancelled due to ill health. The presentation will be rescheduled to take place at the next Planning and Environmental meeting due to take place in February.

A Member stated that the area of land is extremely large and suggested that Mr Consitt's proposals could be incorporated into that land. It was noted that the Deputy Town Clerk should speak to Mr Consitt to advise him that he should contact the developers of the land to discuss his proposals with them.

Members noted that the proposed Garden Village will not come within Seaham's boundaries but will be in Easington/Hawthorn, however the proximity of the area will still impact on Seaham.

RECOMMENDED:

- (i) The presentation will be rescheduled for February's meeting.
- (ii) The Deputy Town Clerk to contact Mr Consitt to discuss his proposal with the developers of Garden Village.

**4. PLANNING ISSUES**

**a) Monthly List**

RECOMMENDED the list of planning applications referred to all Councillors since the last meeting, namely 5507 to 5509 as circulated be noted.

**5. PRESS OPPORTUNITIES**

RECOMMENDED the Council note that no press opportunities existed from this meeting.