



**44. ACCEPTANCE, OR OTHERWISE, OF APOLOGIES** – None to date.

**45. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

In accordance with this Council's adopted Code of Conduct (Minute 72(a)/Sep/12 refers), Members will be asked whether they have any personal or prejudicial interests in any matter on the agenda and, if so, to declare those interests at this point of the meeting. Members are reminded that a declaration can be given later in the meeting if a need arises during discussion.

**46. MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING – 23 SEPTEMBER 2013 (enclosed)**

**47. APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

(i) **The Beaconsfield, 105 Galgate** - Change of use from public house to restaurant and erection of single storey extension to rear (**Heritage Statement enclosed**).

(ii) **15 Horsemarket** - Change of use to hot food takeaway (Class A5) and display of externally illuminated fascia sign (**Design and Access Statement enclosed**).

(iii) **Black Horse, 10 Newgate** - Change of use of 1st and 2nd floor accommodation to holiday let (C1), replacement windows and alterations to rear elevation and listed building consent for replacement windows to front elevation, alterations to rear elevation and internal alteration (**Design and Access Statement and Heritage Statement enclosed**).

(iv) **28 Montalbo Road** - Erection of conservatory on west elevation.

**48. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANS**

As a number of local councils in the County Durham area have expressed an interest in preparing a Neighbourhood Plan, the County Durham Association of Local Council's has organised a Neighbourhood Planning Working Group meeting scheduled on Thursday, 31 October 2013 commencing at 10am at Great Aycliffe Town Council offices. The aim of the group is to bring as many parish and town councils together to act as a focus group for the production of Neighbourhood Plans. Whilst this Council has previously determined not to progress with the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan, mainly because of the perceived costs (Council Minute 112a(3)/Dec/12 refers), Members may consider it useful to nominate a representative of this Committee to attend the meeting as an insight. Two representatives can attend the meeting.

**Recommendation** – Members are asked whether to nominate representative/s to attend the Neighbourhood Planning Working Group meeting on 31 October 2013.