

**BARNARD CASTLE TOWN COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMITTEE**

22 JULY 2013

PRESENT:- Councillor Harrison (Town Mayor) (in the Chair); Councillors Blissett, Kinch and Watson.

Officer:- Mrs Plant (Assistant Clerk).

23. ACCEPTANCE, OR OTHERWISE, OF APOLOGIES – None.

24. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In accordance with this Council's adopted Code of Conduct (Minute 72(a)/Sep/12 refers), Members were asked whether they had 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 were reminded that a declaration could be given later in the meeting if a need arose during discussion. There were no declarations of interest at this juncture.

25. MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING – 8 JULY 2013

Resolved – That the Minutes be approved as a correct record.

26. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were submitted for consideration:-

(i) **6 Thorngate** - Listed building consent for installation of replacement front door. A Heritage Statement had been circulated for Members' information.

Resolved – That listed building consent be recommended for approval subject to the Conservation Officer's satisfaction.

(ii) **10 Wood Street** - Two storey extension. A Design and Access Statement and Heritage Statement had been circulated for Members' information.

Resolved – That conditional approval be recommended.

27. PLANNING APPLICATION DECISION NOTICE

It was reported that, pursuant to Minute 10(v)/Jun/13, the following planning application recommended for refusal by this Council had subsequently been approved by Durham County Council:-

20 Horsemarket - Subdivision of existing retail shop to form 3 individual units comprising 2 retail shops and 1 hot food takeaway and restaurant (change of use).

The reasons for approval were outlined.

Resolved – That the information be noted.

28. PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT BARNARD CASTLE SCHOOL

Submitted – A report by Cllr Watson summarising Barnard Castle School's plans for the erection of a new 6th Form Centre within the existing school and a proposed 70 residential housing development on surplus land following his attendance at the associated consultation event and made specific recommendations in respect of the proposals,

Whilst it was acknowledged that this was a significant development for the town, it was considered more appropriate for the proposals to be considered by the full Planning Committee when all the associated documents were available for all members to view, with a subsequent onward recommendation to full Council.

Resolved – That the information be noted.