

**BARNARD CASTLE TOWN COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMITTEE**

5 MARCH 2018

PRESENT: Councillors Harrison (in the Chair), Blissett and Wilkes.

Also in attendance: One member of the press.

Officers: Mr King (Town Clerk) and Mrs Woodward (Deputy Clerk)

72. ACCEPTANCE OR OTHERWISE OF APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Miss Blissett.

Resolved – That the apologies be accepted.

73. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In accordance with this Council's adopted Code of Conduct (Minute 12/May/17 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. Councillor Harrison declared an interest in respect of item 75(i).

74. PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING – 19 FEBRUARY 2018 – MINUTES

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

75. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

The following applications were submitted for consideration:

- (i) DM/18/00435/FPA – **Former Ambulance Station, Victoria Road** – Demolition of ambulance station and erection of 3 no. dwellings with associated development.

It was noted that demolition was almost complete. The town council was the adjoining landowner of the Town Head access lane. A number of concerns had been raised by Durham County Council officers.

Resolved - That the town council supports the application with reservations about the relatively small size of the detached dwellings proposed and the consequent use of space not being maximised to its full potential. The town council supports the view that a short terrace would be preferable in this location. The town council has particular concerns about work which has already commenced before any planning permission has been granted and the potential for nuisance and contamination, as already identified by DCC officers. In particular, the town council would draw attention to the completion of demolition on the site by 5 March 2018.

76. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR NOTING

- (i) DM/15/00183/FPA – **22 Bridgegate** – Conversion of tyre fitting depot to four terraced dwellinghouses.

Further to Planning Committee 19 February, the Planning Officer at Durham County Council had confirmed that the development was currently being investigated by the enforcement team.

- (ii) DM/18/00586/TCA – **rear of 4 Horsemarket** – T1 Sycamore fell in conservation area.

Resolved – That the application be noted.