

**BARNARD CASTLE TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

4 MARCH 2019

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs Moorhouse (Town Mayor)(in the Chair); Councillors Blissett, Miss Blissett, Chatterjee, Harrison, Kirkbride, Sutherland and Mrs Thompson.

Also in attendance: One member of the public and one member of the press.

Officers: Mr King (Town Clerk) and Ms Atkinson (Services Officer)

98. ACCEPTANCE, OR OTHERWISE, OF APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Child, and Peat.

Resolved – That the apologies be accepted.

99. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In accordance with this Council's adopted Code of Conduct (Minute 10/May/18 refers), Members were asked whether they had any personal, pecuniary 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.

100. PLANNING APPLICATION – DM/19/00260/OUT

Submitted: Outline Planning Application (Landscaping Reserved) relating to the former Addison Auctioneers Site –for demolition of existing building and construction of one Class A1 food store and one Class A1 retail unit with associated parking, landscaping and servicing.

Council considered this application in the context of the relevant National Planning Policy Frameworks, the retained policies of the Teesdale Local Plan and the emerging policies of the County Durham Local Plan. In particular, Council took the view that demonstrating adherence to Teesdale Local Plan policies SC1 and SC2, would require a comprehensive retail impact statement and sequential test of alternative town centre sites. At the time of the meeting, these had not been reviewed.

(Note: It was subsequently identified that Sections 8-11 of the developer's Planning Statement were relevant to these concerns.)

Resolved – (a) That more information be sought and a decision be deferred to Council meeting on 18 March.