

MINUTES of the PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING OF STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Held at Stanley Civic Hall, Front Street, Stanley on Tuesday 14th June 2016 at 6.00pm

PRESENT: Cllr W Nixon* Cllr D Mills Cllr D Walker Cllr M Wilkinson
 Cllr G Graham Cllr J Nicholson Cllr R Harrison Cllr B Nair

*Chairman

OFFICERS: Alan Shaw (Town Clerk)
 Brian Hall (Community Services Officer)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: 27 Members of the public

49 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies received from Cllr L Marshall, D Marshall, C Bell, D Marshall, L Elliot, D McMahon, A Clegg were accepted by the Committee

50 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

51 **PROCEDURAL AND APPROPRIATE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN OR TOWN CLERK**

The Town Clerk noted that no one was recording this meeting.

52 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The Chair requested that public participation should take place in under Planning Applications, members of the public were reminded that everyone speaking was limited to 3 minutes and that a total of 15 minutes was allocated for participation.

53 **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

It was proposed by Cllr R Harrison, seconded by Cllr J Nicholson and **RESOLVED** that the Committee approve the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 5th April 2016.

54 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Chair noted that the two planning applications, both from Derwentside Homes had been withdrawn, but invited comment by members of the public.
A number of the members of the public present stated their objections to the applications, stating parking, traffic flow, overlooking, etc.

The Town Clerk reiterated that the applications had been withdrawn and Derwentside Homes' agent had stated in an e-mail to the County Council that they intended to consult the community widely before any further application.

Advice was given to the members of the public present about viewing applications on Durham County Council website and grounds they could object and how to complain.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Town Council would attempt to facilitate a public meeting between Derwentside Homes, their architects and the residents to address the concerns of residents. Those present were requested to leave their contact details for follow up.

The meeting was suspended at 6.30 pm to allow members of the public who wished to leave to clear the room. At 6.40 pm the meeting was called to order.

55 LICENSING MATTERS

A discussion took place regarding the Spirit Pub Company's application to vary the Licensing Conditions to the Hill Top public house. It was felt that no good reason had been given to vary the conditions. Many of the conditions which were being sought to be misapplied reflected statutory obligations from related legislation.

It was proposed by Cllr Harrison and seconded by Cllr Walker and **RESOLVED** that the committee should oppose the application.

56 DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

To be confirmed.