

## **Minutes of the Planning, Highways and Transport Committee held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2013 in the Council Chamber, Alnwick at 6.15pm.**

**Present:** Cllrs R Roberts (Chairman), P Broom, D Farrar, P Holt, M Harrington and A Symmonds.

### **P7/13 Apologies**

Cllrs B Hewison and, K Moore

### **P8/13 Declarations of Interest**

None.

### **P9/13 Minutes**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> June were approved and they were duly signed by the Committee Chairman.

### **P10/13 Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

### **P11/13 Dealing with applications in a timely manner and also in the run up to the September meeting.**

Councillors discussed the need to ensure comments are submitted prior to deadlines. There can be a problem when consultations are received just after scheduled meetings and meeting cycles can be five weeks. This could present an additional problem during August when no meeting was scheduled. The clerk highlighted he was now adding required response dates onto the agenda.

**RESOLVED: When comments are required prior to the next committee meeting, details will be circulated to committee members by email and any responses will need to be made to the clerk prior to the requested date. This will enable a timely response to be submitted to the consultation.**

**RECOMMENDED: A Planning Committee Meeting be held on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2013.**

### **P12/13 Planning Applications**

The following applications were discussed and comments were made as listed:

#### **13/01657/FUL George Skipper Photography, Greenwell Road, Convert first & second floor into residential apartments.**

No objections

#### **13/01792/FUL Percy Street Hall, Percy Street. Change of Use from existing building to veterinary surgery.**

Councillors are concerned about the inadequacy of the car parking provision and how the proposals add to the traffic and parking congestion in the area.

#### **13/01716/COU 29 Fenkle Street, Change of use from A1 to A2 Office use.**

No objections

#### **13/01859/FUL 51 Fairfields, 2 storey rear extension to provide dining room, bedroom and bathroom.**

Councillors are concerned about the size of the extension footprint given the proximity of the nearby footpath.

#### **13/01854/LBC 5 Belverdere Terrace, consent to take down and rebuild chimney stack**

No objections

#### **13/01875/LBC 9 Percy Terrace, consent for rear kitchen extension and repositioning rear access gate.**

No objections

**13/01856/CCD Barndale School Int Alterations to form new wet room, unisex wc and laundry room etc.**

No objections

**13/01919/FUL James N. Mclean, Willowburn Trading Estate, access alterations**

No objections

The meeting closed at 6.55 p.m.