Minutes of the Meeting of the **PLANNING COMMITTEE** held in the Four Clocks Centre, Bishop Auckland on **TUESDAY 30TH OCTOBER 2012** at 7.45 p.m. immediately following the Council Meeting.

Present: Councillor Wilson (in the Chair) and Councillors Anderson, Fleming, Huntington and Kay.

Also Present: Linda Goldie (Town Clerk).

PL 25/12 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

PL 26/12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Fleming declared a personal interest in Application No. 3/2012/0366.

PL 27/12 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no members of the public present.

PL 28/12 DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL: PLANNING APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED: That Durham Council be informed that the Town Council has no objections to the under mentioned planning applications:-

(a) Application No: 3/2012/0383 – Roof repair works to Grade I listed building at Castle Lodge, Market Place, Bishop Auckland – Auckland Castle Trust

(b) Application No: 3/2012/0390 – Change of use to restaurant including elevational changes at 13 Fore Bondgate, Bishop Auckland – Ms Jacqueline McFarland

(c) Application No: 3/2012/0393 – Retrospective permission for the erection of a 2.0M high timber security fence at General Bucher Court, former Nursing Home, Hawthorn Road, Bishop Auckland – Mr. Lukman Patel, Meridian Estates

(d) Application No: 3/2012/0399 – Erection of extensions to the side of the existing building and associated external alterations at Etherley Lane Nursery School, Hazel Grove, Bishop Auckland – Ms. L. Patterson

(e) Application No: 3/2012/0359 – Change of use first floor to residential accommodation and new ground floor front entrance at 25 Finkle Street, Bishop Auckland – Mr. John Mearman

(f) Application No: 3/2012/0373 – Installation of plant equipment, erection of palisade fence with gates and Armco safety barrier to create a plant compound and empties area within the service yard to the rear of the unit at Bishop Auckland Retail Park, Unit D, Tindale Crescent, Bishop Auckland – Marks & Spencer Plc

(g) Application No: 3/2012/0394 – Two storey/first floor side/front extension at 7 Berkley Grove, Bishop Auckland – Mr. Gary Howard

(h) Application No: 3/2012/0403 – Non illuminated projecting sign & individual lettering to the front elevation of the building at 9 Market Place, Bishop Auckland – Mr. Peter McPartland

(i) Application No: 3/2012/0414 – Single storey side and rear extensions and increase in existing garage width at 48 Lambton Drive, Bishop Auckland – Mr. Peter Panicca

Signed: Chair (j) Application No: 3/2012/421 – Conservatory to rear of 11 Eastlea Avenue, Bishop Auckland – Mr. Paul Clarey

RESOLVED: That Durham County Council be informed that the Town Council wishes to object to the undermentioned outline planning application for the following reasons:

(a) Application No: 3/2012/0366 – Outline planning application for single dwelling including new access (appearance and scale reserved) land at 17 Watling Road, Bishop Auckland – Mrs. A. Bridle

- Existing plans do not take into consideration recent extensions to properties 14 & 16 Clifford Avenue which makes these properties much closer to the proposed Development
- The adverse impact on wildlife in the area (owls, dragonflies, birds, squirrels etc.)
- The increase in traffic problems, already existing on Watling Road which will be further compounded by the proposed building of the Bishop Auckland Medical Centre.

PL 29/12 DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL – PLANNING DECISIONS – APPROVALS

RESOLVED: That the under mentioned planning approvals be noted:-

(a) Application No: 3/2012/0313 – Single storey rear extension at 21 Durham Road, Bishop Auckland – Mr. P. Orr

(b) Application No: 3/2012/0283 – Change of use from open space to play area in association with existing nursery including the erection of a 1.78m high palisade steel fence at Aclet Close Nursery School, Aclet Close, Bishop Auckland – Mr. N. Birbeck

(c) Application No: 3/2012/0347 – Part demolition of the former Lady Eden Cottage Hospital at Former Lady Eden Hospital, Cockton Hill Road, Bishop Auckland – HMC Group Ltd

(d) Application No: 3/2012/0302 – Erection of 6 flats on the land to the rear of Cockton Hill Working Mens Club (resubmission) at Land to the rear of Cockton Hill Working Mens Club, Cleveland Avenue, Bishop Auckland – Mr. S. Clark

(e) Application No: 3/2012/0315 – Removal of existing conservatory and erection of single storey pitched roof garden room extension to the rear of the existing dwelling at 16 Riverside, South Church, Bishop Auckland – Mrs. P. Heron

(f) Application No: 3/2012/0331 – Erection of cleaners store within existing service yard at ASDA Supermarket, South Church Road, Bishop Auckland – ASDA Supermarket

(g) Application No: 3/2012/0350 – First Floor extension above existing garage at 18 Shawbrow View, Bishop Auckland – Mr. G. Lockey

(h) Application No: 3/2012/0326 – Installation of new plant within existing service yard at ASDA Supermarket, South Church Road, Bishop Auckland – ASDA Supermarket

(i) Application No: 3/2012/0364 – Conversion of existing garage to habitable space, erection of double garage to front including construction of new driveway and replacement of existing conservatory with garden room at 3 Skipton Grove, Bishop Auckland – Mr. R. Vest

Signed: Chair (j) Application No: 3/2012/0333 – Erection of a covered stand with a seating capacity of 300 seats to be located at the east end of the football ground at Football Ground, Heritage Park, Stadium Way, Bishop Auckland – Bishop Auckland Football Club

(k) Application No: 3/2012/0362 – Porch to front elevation at 5 Chatsworth Avenue, Bishop Auckland – Mr. D. Box

(I) Application No: 3/2012/0369 – Erection of 3 No. trolley stores to the front of unit and within the car park at Unit D, Bishop Auckland Retail Park, Tindale Crescent, Bishop Auckland – Marks and Spencer Plc

(m) Application No: 3/2012/0370 – Erection of 4 No. vinyl adverts affixed to each of 3 No. trolley stores at Unit D, Bishop Auckland Retail Park, Tindale Crescent, Bishop Auckland – Marks and Spencer Plc

(n) Application No: 3/2012/0280 – Erection of steel substation to serve retail park at Land to the east of Tesco Petrol Filling station, Tindale Crescent, Bishop Auckland – J. D. Wetherspoon Plc

(o) Application No: 3/2012/0367 – Change of use from training centre to art studio at 26 Chester Street, Bishop Auckland – Steven and Christopher Rocks

(p) Application No: 3/2012/0246 – Change of use from Ice Cream Factory to Motor Vehicle Repair Workshop/Garage at Leyland House, 21 Durham Chare, Bishop Auckland – Mr. Malcolm Tervit

(q) Application No: 3/2012/0358 – Replacement of existing dormer window to front with 2 no. dormer windows, replacement of chimney stack with false chimney and insertion of 3 no. Velux windows to rear of 20 Clarence Gardens, Bishop Auckland – Mr. D. Sherwood

(r) Application No: 3/2012/0368 – Erection and display of 1 No. vinyl fascia sign, 1 No. internally illuminated flexi box sign, 1 No. internally illuminated projecting sign to front elevation and 1 No. internally illuminated sign to side elevation of unit at Bishop Auckland Retail Park, Unit D, Tindale Crescent, Bishop Auckland – Marks & Spencer Plc

(s) Application No: 3/2012/0372 – Erection and display of 1 non illuminated projecting sign & individual lettering attached to the front elevation of the existing building at 9 Market Place, Bishop Auckland – Mr. Peter McPartland

PL 30/12 DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL – PLANNING DECISIONS – REFUSALS

RESOLVED: That the under mentioned planning application refusal be noted:-

(a) Application No: 3/2012/0351 – Erection of garage with work shop above (resubmission) at 1 Escomb Road, Bishop Auckland – Mr. S. Brazier

PL 31/12 DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL – PLANNING DECISIONS – WITHDRAWALS

RESOLVED: That the under mentioned planning application withdrawal be noted:-

(a) Application No: 3/2012/0360– Change of use from car repair garage to retail of electrical goods, stationery and hardware items at 14 Peel Street, Bishop Auckland – Joes Trading

Signed: Chair