

Minutes of the Meeting of the **PLANNING COMMITTEE** held in the Four Clocks Centre, Bishop Auckland on **TUESDAY, 16th APRIL 2019** at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillor Wilson (Vice-Chairman in the Chair) and Councillors Allen, Newton Woods

Also Present: Councillors Fleming and David Anderson (Town Clerk)

PL.42/18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Councillors Cullen, A. Zair and L. Zair.

PL.43/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
No declarations were made.

PL.44/18 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
There were no members of the public present.

PL.45/18 DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL: PLANNING APPLICATIONS
Consideration was given to a schedule of planning applications received since the last meeting. (For copy see file of Minutes).

With regard to Application No DM/19/00930/PNC, 1 Kensington, Bishop Auckland, change of use from offices (Use Class B1(a) to 8 residential units comprising of 7 one-bedroom apartments and 1 two-bedroom apartment Class C3), Members were of the opinion that the application should be refused on the following grounds: -

1. **Insufficient parking to support the creation of 8 residential units.** There is no provision for additional parking within the site to support the development. The development would therefore create additional pressure on current on-street parking provision from occupiers and visitors, which could lead to highway safety issues.
2. **Layout and density of the development.** There is an over development of the building which seeks to create the maximum number of units in the available space. There is insufficient amenity space within the site to support the high density of the development. The high density of the development will have an adverse impact on current on-street parking provision.

RESOLVED:

1. That the Committee's objections to Application No DM/19/00930/PNC be submitted to Durham County Council.
2. That the Town Council has no objections to the remainder of the planning applications detailed on the schedule.

PL.46/18 DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL – PLANNING DECISIONS
Consideration was given to schedule of planning decisions that had been determined under delegated authority. (For copy see file of Minutes)

RESOLVED: That the schedule be noted.

Signed:
Chair