

Minutes of the meeting of the **PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE** held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe, on **WEDNESDAY, 13th JULY 2011** at 4.00 p.m.

PRESENT **Councillor M. Iveson (Chairman)** and
Councillors T.R. Bowman, Mrs. B.A. Clare, J.D. Clare, V.
Crosby, B. Haigh and B. Hall.

IN ATTENDANCE Councillor Mrs. V.M. Raw.

OFFICIALS Mrs C Walton (Corporate & Policy Officer)

16. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillors Mrs. K. Hopper and A. Warburton.

17. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest submitted.

18. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

There were no questions from members of the public.

19. **PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE**

It was proposed by Councillor J.D. Clare, seconded by Councillor V. Crosby and

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the Planning Sub-Committee held on the 25th May, 8th June and 22nd June 2011 be confirmed as a correct record subject to the following amendment:

25th May 2011 – That an amendment to the Vice-Chairman appointment had been noted to read that Councillor V. Crosby was Vice-Chairman for the 2011/12 municipal year.

20. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Members considered the undermentioned planning applications:

- (a) Erection of single storey rear extension – 23 Oaklea Mews, Aycliffe Village.
- (b) Erection of conservatory to the rear – 23 High Barn Road, School Aycliffe.
- (c) Erection of side conservatory – 1 Brancepeth Close, Woodham, Newton Aycliffe.
- (d) Demolition of former social club and construction of 60 bed residential care home – Former Southern Social Club, Hawkshead Place, Newton Aycliffe.

- (e) Erection of conservatory to the rear – 15 Ashtree Close, Newton Aycliffe.
- (f) Erection of single extension to the rear and single storey extension to the front – 37 Bewick Crescent, Newton Aycliffe.

RESOLVED – that the following responses be forwarded to Durham County Council that:

- (a) No objections to the application.
- (b) No objections to the application.
- (c) No objections to the application.
- (d) The Town Council would support the application as there is a lack of suitable residential care homes and it will improve the visual impact of the area.

However, the Town Council feel that there is insufficient car parking spaces on site and further provision should be made.

- (e) No objections to the application.
- (f) The Town Council would normally object to a forward extension as it would impact on the building line. In this instance the staggered street-line may help mitigate this. However the Town Council do have concerns over the size of the front porch.

With this in mind the Town Council would have no objection to the rear extension but would have concerns over the size of the front extension and ask that this be reduced.

CHAIRMAN.