4 April 2013

Dear Sir / Madam,

I am to inform you that a meeting of the **ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** will be held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe, on **WEDNESDAY, 10th APRIL 2013** at **7.15 p.m.**

Yours faithfully,

Town Clerk.

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive apologies for absence.

2. **MEMBERS' DISPENSATIONS**

To consider written requests for dispensations from members who have declared interests under Disclosable or Non-Disclosable pecuniary interests – Section 33 of the 2011 Localism Act.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To notify of any items that appear in the agenda in which you may have an interest that has not been recorded in the Members Register of Interests.

4. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

Members of the public are permitted to make representations, ask questions and give evidence in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. Questions will not be received by the Council which are in furtherance of a person's individual circumstances or which are about a matter where there is a right of appeal to the courts, a tribunal or government minister. A question will not be received by the Council where the issue it concerns has been the subject of a decision of the Council in the last six months.

5. **MINUTES**

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Environment Committee held on the 27th February 2013.

. . . 6. **ALLOTMENTS REPORT**

To consider the attached report from the Works Manager for the six weeks ended the 31st March 2013.

. . . 7. **ENVIRONMENT REPORT**

To consider the attached report from the Works Manager and the Environment Officer for the six weeks ended the 31st March 2013

8. **GRANTS OF GRAVE SPACE**

To report that the undermentioned grants of grave space have been issued:

Stephenson Way Cemetery

Grave No. A 333A	Carly Seery
Grave No. F 120	Kim Marie Hopps
Grave No. C 21	Dawn Leadbitter

West Cemetery

Grave No. I 228	Dawn Robinson
Grave No. N 57	Annie Carr
Grave No. N 60	Peter Cox

. . . 9. **WORKS SERVICE PLAN**

To consider the attached report and Service Plan from the Works Manager.

10. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

(1) To consider the undermentioned planning applications:-

(a) Erection of single storey extension, installation of external cladding and soft and hard landscaping alterations – PWS Distributors – Spring Road, Aycliffe Business Park.

(b) Installation of 1 No. internally lit fascia sign – PWS Distribution – Spring Road, Aycliffe Business Park.

(c) Conservatory to rear – 6 Thursby Close, School Aycliffe.

(d) Erection and display of fascia sign on the south elevation – Bobby's Foods – Eldon Road, Newton Aycliffe.

(e) Change of use from warehouse and showroom to health and fitness gym – Unit 5, Durham Way South, Aycliffe Business Park.

(2) To receive <u>for information</u> the undermentioned planning applications, prior notice of which has been circulated to all Members of the Council. Durham County Council have been notified of the listed comments on each application:-

(a) Change of use from general storage (B8) to general industrial use (B2) including external alterations and the formation of new access at the former Tetley Distribution Depot, Grindon Way, Aycliffe Industrial Estate.

No objections but would recommend some replacement planting of shrubs or similar to provide screening from St. Andrew's Way. The Town Council supports any proposal to improve Aycliffe Industrial Estate and provide additional jobs in the area.

(b) First floor bedroom and en-suite extension over existing garage – 16 Hareson Road, Newton Aycliffe.

No objections.

(c) Change of use from public open space to domestic garden and erection of 5ft. high wooden fence – 75 Stainforth Close, Newton Aycliffe.

No objections.

(d) Demolition of existing garage and erection of two storey side/front extension – 10 Stoneleigh Court, Newton Aycliffe.

No objections.

(e) Change of use from industrial unit to climbing centre including external alterations to the building at the former Presswork Metals Unit, Cumbie Way, Aycliffe Business Park.

No objection to the proposal and fully supports the application which will bring an empty building back into use and provide much needed jobs to the area.

(f) Advertisement consent for the installation of 2 No. halo effect corporate signage to the north and east elevations at the former Tetley Distribution Depot, Grindon Way, Aycliffe Industrial Estate.

No objections.

(g) Variation of condition 2 of planning approval 7/2012/0192/DM relating to adherence to approved plans at Bewick Crescent Surgery, Bewick Crescent, Newton Aycliffe.

No objections to the amended proposal.

(h) Extension to existing detached garage – 50 The Grange, Newton Aycliffe.

No objections.

(i) Erection of single storey pitched roof extension to the rear of the existing dwelling – 6 Low Green, Newton Aycliffe.

No objections.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Councillors S. Bambridge,W.M. Blenkinsopp, Mrs. D. Bowman, T.R. Bowman, Mrs. B.A. Clare, J.D. Clare, V. Crosby, B. Curtis, Mrs. M. Dalton, R.S. Fleming, P. Gittins, G.C. Gray, I. Gray, Mrs. J. Gray, B. Haigh, Mrs. S. Haigh, B. Hall, K. Henderson, Mrs. W. Hillary, Mrs. K. Hopper, M. Iveson, Mrs. S.J. Iveson, W. Iveson, Mrs. A. Palmer, Mrs. V.M. Raw and A. Warburton. (2 Vacancies)