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GATESHEAD METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, 11 July 2018

PRESENT: Councillor B Goldsworthy (Chair)

Councillor(s): M Hood, L Caffrey, K Ferdinand, A Geddes, M Hall, J Lee, K McCartney, J McClurey, C McHugh, E McMaster, C Ord, I Patterson, J Turnbull, N Weatherley, S Dickie, M Henry and Burnett

APOLOGIES: Councillor(s): S Craig, L Kirton, A Wheeler, K Wood and Oxberry

PD255 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 20 June 2018 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

PD256 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Chris McHugh declared a personal interest in Planning Application No. 1 as he was a family friend of the applicant. Councillor McHugh withdrew from the meeting during the consideration of the application and took no part in the consideration or voting. Councillor McHugh returned to the meeting after the consideration of the application.

PD257 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- RESOLVED:
- i) That the full planning applications and outline applications specified in the appendix to these minutes be granted, refused or referred to the Department for Communities and Local Government or deferred as indicated subject to the conditions, if any, as specified therein and to any other appropriate conditions of a routine or standard nature.
 - ii) That the applications granted in accordance with delegated powers be noted.

PD258 DELEGATED DECISIONS

The applications determined since last committee meeting in accordance with the powers delegated under part 3, schedule 2 were tabled for information.

RESOLVED - that the information be noted

PD259 ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Consideration was given to a report that informed of the progress of enforcement action previously authorised by the Committee.

RESOLVED: That the information be noted.

PD260 PLANNING APPEALS

The Committee received a report advising of new appeals received and to report the decisions of the Secretary of State during the report period.

The Committee were advised that there had been three appeals lodged since the last Committee.

The Committee were advised that there had been one new appeal decision received since the last Committee.

The Committee were advised that there have been no appeal cost decisions.

RESOLVED - that the information be noted

PD261 PLANNING OBLIGATIONS

The Committee received a report advising of the completed Planning Obligations which have previously been authorised.

Since the last Committee meeting there has been one new planning obligation.

Since the last Committee meeting there has been one new payment received in respect of planning obligations.

RESOLVED- that the information be noted.

Chair.....

Date of Committee: 11 July 2018

Application Number and Address:

DC/18/00418/COU
36 Harewood Close
Whickham
NE16 5SZ

Applicant:

Mrs Joanne Lawlor

Proposal:

Change of use from public open space to private garden.

Declarations of Interest:**Name****Nature of Interest**

Councillor Chris McHugh declared a personal interest in the application as the applicant was a family friend and he withdrew from the meeting during consideration of that item.

Personal

List of speakers and details of any additional information submitted:

Mr John Johnson spoke against the application

Mrs Lesley Johnson spoke against the application.

Mr Tom Hearne spoke in favour of the application on behalf of the applicant.

Any additional comments on application/decision:

That permission be REFUSED for the following reason(s)

1. The proposed development would result in an unacceptable loss of public open space. This is contrary to saved policy CFR23 of the Unitary Development Plan, the National Planning Policy Framework and policy CS14 of the Core Strategy and Urban Core Plan.
2. The application site forms an important part of the street scene. Enclosing this area as private garden would have an unacceptable detrimental impact to the amenity of the area. This is contrary to saved policy DC2 of the Unitary Development Plan, policy CS15 of the Core Strategy and Urban Core Plan and the aims and objectives of the National Planning Policy Framework.

