

**DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE (CENTRAL AND EAST)**

At a Meeting of **Area Planning Committee (Central and East)** held in **Council Chamber, County Hall, Durham** on **Tuesday 9 April 2024** at **9.30 am**

**Present:**

**Councillor D Freeman (Chair)**

**Members of the Committee:**

Councillors D Oliver (Vice-Chair), L Brown, S Deinali, J Elmer, P Jopling, D McKenna and R Manchester

**Also Present:**

Councillors J Blakey and G Hutchinson

**1 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A Bell, I Cochrane, K Shaw and A Surtees.

**2 Substitute Members**

There were no Substitute Members.

**3 Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 13 February 2024 were confirmed as a correct record by the Committee and signed by the Chair.

**4 Declarations of Interest**

Councillor L Brown, in relation to Items 5b and 5c, noted she was a Member of the City of Durham Parish Council, however, she was not a member of their Planning Committee and had not had any input into their submission in objection to applications on the agenda. She added that she was a member of the City of Durham Trust, however she was not a Trustee and had not been party to their submissions in objection to applications on the agenda.

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**5 Applications to be determined by the Area Planning Committee (Central and East)**

**a DM/23/02164/FPA - Croxdale and Hett Working Mens Club and Institute, Front Street East, Croxdale, Durham, DH6 5HX**

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**b DM/23/02538/FPA - 90 Gilesgate, Durham, DH1 1HY**

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**c DM/23/02539/LB - 90 Gilesgate, Durham, DH1 1HY**

TBC

## **6 Appeals Decisions**

The Chair noted that there had been a number of decisions received following appeals to the Planning Inspectorate subsequent to decisions made by the Committee. He noted a report detailing the outcomes would come forward to a future meeting and asked if Officers could give a brief update in advance.

The Principal Planning Officer, Paul Hopper noted that of four appeals, three had been upheld by the Inspector, with one appeal having been dismissed. He reiterated that a report would be tabled for a future meeting.

Councillor J Elmer asked if it would be possible to have sight of the relevant documents to see how Officer put forward the cases on behalf of the Committee. The Principal Planning Officer noted it would be possible to circulate the relevant documents to Members via e-mail in advance of such report being tabled.