

City of Portsmouth

MEMBERS' INFORMATION SERVICE

NO 38

DATE: FRIDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2012

The Members' Information Service produced in the Customer, Community & Democratic Services Unit by Joanne Wildsmith has been prepared in three parts -

Part 1 - Decisions by the Cabinet and individual Cabinet Members, subject to Councillors' right to have the matter called in for scrutiny.

Part 2 - Proposals from Managers which they would like to implement subject to Councillors' right to have the matter referred to the relevant Cabinet Member or Regulatory Committee; and

Part 3 - Items of general information and news.

Part 1 - Decisions by the Cabinet

The following decisions have been taken by the Cabinet (or individual Cabinet Members), and will be implemented unless the call-in procedure is activated. Rule 15 of the Policy and Review Panels Procedure Rules requires a call-in notice to be signed by any 5 members of the Council. The call-in request must be made to JOANNE WILDSMITH (Local Democracy Officer) and must be received by not later than 5 pm on the date shown in the item.

If you want to know more about a proposal, please contact the officer indicated. You can also see the report on the Council's web site at www.portsmouth.gov.uk

	WARD	DECISION	OFFICER CONTACT
1		<p>Cabinet – 17 September</p> <p>The Cabinet took the following decisions:-</p> <p>Community Right to Bid (Information Item)</p> <p>It was noted that this item would be brought back to the Cabinet on 1st October 2012.</p> <p>(As this is an information item it is not subject to call-in.)</p> <p>Greetham Street Car Park and Dugald Drummond House</p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <p>(1) The Head of Asset Management was authorised to dispose of Dugald Drummond House and Greetham Street Car Park, on the open market (the site as shown at Appendix 1 of the report);</p> <p>(2) The Cabinet noted the requirement to relocate the Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB), subject to a further report.</p> <p>It was further RECOMMENDED to council:</p> <p>(3) That the application of the October 2006 resolution 180/06 (Parking standards) to the disposal of this property be waived in order to give effect to the recommendations set out above.</p> <p>(4) That the City Solicitor be authorised to complete all legal documentation in order to give effect to the decisions in (2) to (4) above.</p> <p>Treasury Management Outturn 2011/12</p> <p>The recommendations as per the report are referred to council for approval and are therefore not subject to call-in.</p>	<p>Joanne Wildsmith Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4057</p>

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		<p>Revenue Outturn 2011/12 - Final Accounts</p> <p>The recommendations as per the report are referred to council for approval and are therefore not subject to call-in.</p> <p>Budget and Performance Monitoring 2012/13 (1st Quarter) to End June 2012</p> <p>The recommendations as per the report are referred to council for approval and are therefore not subject to call-in.</p> <p>Treasury Management Monitoring Report for 1st Quarter of 2012/13</p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <p>That the following actual treasury management indicators for the first quarter of 2012/13 be noted:</p> <p>(a) The Council's sums invested for periods longer than 364 days at 30 June 2012 were:</p> <table><tr><th></th><th>Prudential Limit £m</th><th>Quarter 1 Actual £m</th></tr><tr><td>Maturing after 31/3/2013</td><td>110</td><td>72</td></tr><tr><td>Maturing after 31/3/2014</td><td>90</td><td>10</td></tr><tr><td>Maturing after 31/3/2015</td><td>80</td><td>0</td></tr></table> <p>(b) The Council's fixed interest rate exposure at 30 June 2012 was £290m, ie. The Council had net fixed interest rate borrowing of £290m;</p> <p>(c) The Council's variable interest rate exposure at 30 June 2012 was (£180m), ie.. the Council had net variable interest rate investments of £180m;</p>		Prudential Limit £m	Quarter 1 Actual £m	Maturing after 31/3/2013	110	72	Maturing after 31/3/2014	90	10	Maturing after 31/3/2015	80	0	
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2		(d) The maturity structure of the Council's borrowing was:							
		Under 1 Year	1 to 2 Years	3 to 5 Years	6 to 10 Years	11 to 20 Years	21 to 30 Years	31 to 40 Years	41 to 50 Years
	Actual	1%	4%	3%	5%	9%	12%	8%	58%
	Urgent action approved by Chief Executive Under Standing Order 58 – removal of external lift and other works at the Spinnaker Tower (Information Item)								
	As this was an information item on a decision already taken by the Chief Executive this is not subject to call-in.								
	Wimbledon Park Sports Centre (with exempt information)								
	DECISIONS:								
	(1) That option 3, Parkwood's reduced management fee is accepted to continue community use whilst achieving better value for money;								
	(2) That the Head of Transport and Environment and the City Solicitor amend the contract with Parkwood in accordance with Parkwood's offer.								
	NB: Call-in date: Tuesday 25 September 2012								
Cabinet Member for Housing's Decision Meeting – 18 September 2012									
Councillor Steve Wylie took the following decisions:-									
Introduction of a Comprehensive Licensing Programme for Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs) in Portsmouth									
							Joanne Wildsmith Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4057		

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		<p>DECISIONS:</p> <p>The Cabinet Member</p> <p>(1) approved an 11 week public consultation on the proposals for a Portsmouth City Licensing Programme for Houses in Multiple Occupation;</p> <p>(2) will review the outcome of the consultation and make the appropriate decision relation to the possible implementation of the programme</p> <p>Tenancy Strategy for Portsmouth</p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Housing</p> <p>(1) endorsed the draft tenancy strategy;</p> <p>(2) agreed to consultation with the relevant stakeholders as described below and in the appendix to the report;</p> <p>(3) gave delegated responsibility for incorporating the responses as necessary from the consultation and publishing the Tenancy Strategy to the Head of Community Housing & Regeneration on consideration of a report which refers to the necessary matters to which regard must be had in adopting the strategy</p> <p>Local Authority Housing Management (LAHM) Asset Management Strategy</p> <p>DECISION:</p> <p>Approval was given to adopt the LAHM Asset Management Strategy.</p> <p>Disposal of 82 Durrants Road, Rowlands Castle</p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <p>(1) Approval was given to the purchase the adjoining strip of land belonging to Hampshire County Council together with the rights of way over the path to the western end of the land, to provide much needed vehicular access and parking area, therefore increasing the value of the property and its saleability.</p>	

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		<p>(2) Authority was delegated to the Head of Housing Management and the Head of Asset Management to dispose of the property on the open market following the completion of the purchase of the adjoining land and right of access.</p> <p>(3) Authority was delegated to the Head of Housing Management and the Head of Asset Management to agree the best method of disposal for the property.</p> <p>(This would be taking into consideration that the property is one half of a much larger building which was converted into two separate properties in the 1960's. The property could be sold as a single dwelling and achieve in the region of £260,000-£275,000 or marketed together with the adjoining property, 80 Durrants Road, already on the market. Market evidence suggests that this latter option would achieve a higher receipt and would benefit both interested parties, following the appointment of a third party agent.)</p> <p>Somerstown Regeneration Phase 1</p> <p>DECISIONS:</p> <p>The Cabinet Member for Housing</p> <p>(1) Approved the changes contained in the revised financial appraisal shown in Appendix A;</p> <p>(2) Delegated authority to the Head of Housing Management and Head of Asset Management to investigate an optimum solution for the future use of the existing vacant 3 retail units at Wellington Street and enter into any necessary lease(s) agreement(s);</p> <p>(3) Approved the investigation of the implementation of additional environmental/energy saving improvements to be made to the Hub after the construction is complete. Any such proposal to be made in accordance with the corporate priorities and in tandem with other work the council is undertaking.</p> <p>NB: Call-in date: Wednesday 26 September 2012</p>	

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3		<p>Cabinet Member for Community Safety – 20 September 2012</p> <p>The Cabinet Member made the following decisions:</p> <p>Management of Cold Calling on Residents</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Acknowledged that No Cold Calling Zones were extremely successful in reducing distraction burglary and cold calling and were, in the main, well received by residents. 2. Approved that the existing, successful zones should continue. 3. Declared the proposal to produce a door notice available for each city home recognising that by using such a device, residents can effectively revoke permission for cold calling at their homes in the same way a No Cold Calling Zone does, giving them a choice as to whether or not they wish to receive cold callers. 4. Confirmed that the city council will no longer establish No Cold Calling Zones itself, but instead support residents' groups who wish to set up their own. 5. Approved an appropriate response to support residents who have displayed a door notice revoking permission for cold calling at their homes but continue to be cold called. <p>Community Safety Priorities 2012-2013</p> <p>Agreed the priorities set out in the strategic assessment and communicate these to cabinet colleagues and other elected members and will continue discussions with partners.</p> <p>Preparation for the Police and Crime Commissioner</p> <p>Endorsed the approach agreed by the Safer Portsmouth Partnership set out in the Briefing for the Police and Crime Commissioner.</p> <p>Anti-Social Behaviour Commissioning Review</p> <p>Approved the scope and draft timeline for a review of the council's response to anti-social behaviour.</p> <p>Food Hygiene Rating Scheme</p> <p>Noted the update on the food hygiene rating scheme.</p> <p>Domestic Abuse Commissioning Review</p> <p>Noted the update on the Domestic Abuse Commissioning Review implementation plan.</p> <p>NB: Call-in date: Friday 28 September 2012</p>	<p>Jane Di Dino Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4060</p>

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4		<p>Cabinet Member for Health & Social Care Decision Meeting took place on Thursday 20 September 2012 at 2.00pm in Conference Room A, 2nd Floor, The Civic Offices, Portsmouth</p> <p>Cabinet Member for Health & Social Care, Councillor Leo Madden, made the following decisions:</p> <p>1. Section 25 Agreements</p> <p>DECISIONS: That the Cabinet Member for Health & Social Care:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Approved the entering into a new S75 agreement with pooled funds for integrated commissioning with Portsmouth Clinical Commissioning Group when it becomes a statutory body on 1 April 2013. (2) Delegated authority to the Strategic Director responsible for Adult Social Care and the Head of Financial Services and Section 151 Officer to approve the necessary details to execute this agreement in line with the relevant regulations. (3) Authorised the City Solicitor to enter into any and all necessary documentation to give effect to the recommendations set out above. <p>2. UK Healthy Cities Network</p> <p>DECISIONS: That the Cabinet Member for Health & Social Care:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Approved the submission of Portsmouth's application to become a Healthy City. (2) Recommended endorsement of the Zagreb Declaration to the Leader of the Council. (3) Agreed that the Health & Well Being Board acts as the formal reporting and overview body for Portsmouth's involvement in Healthy Cities. <p>3. Local Healthwatch invitation to tender (ITT) approval</p> <p>DECISIONS: That the Cabinet Member for Health & Social Care agreed the specification of Local Healthwatch and approved the procurement of this service as per the details within the invitation to tender document (exempt appendix A) for the service to start in April 2013. (Subject to confirmation of funding).</p> <p>NB: Call-in date: Friday 28 September 2012</p>	<p>Karen Martin Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4052</p>

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5		<p>Cabinet Member for Children & Education – 20 September 2012</p> <p>The Cabinet Member made the following decisions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Independent Reviewing Officers' Annual Report 2011/12 The Cabinet Member endorsed the Annual Independent Reviewing Officers (IRO) Report 2011/12 and associated proposals. 2. Social Care Services for Children - Annual Complaints Report The Cabinet Member noted the Annual Complaints Report 2011/12 and associated proposals. 3. Provisional end of Key Stage 1, 2 and GCSE Results for 2012 The Cabinet Member noted the provisional results and will receive an updated report on final results and comparative performance when confirmed data are available in early 2013. 4. Community Learning Development Plan The Cabinet Member approved the Community Learning Service Development Plan 2012-13. 5. Budget Monitoring report for the First Quarter 2012/13 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) The Cabinet Member noted the contents of the report, in particular the forecast overspend of £1,568,500. b) A report will be prepared for the Cabinet in October setting out the options for significantly reducing or eliminating the adverse budget position, including the associated impact of doing so <p>NB: Call-in date: Friday 28 September 2012</p>	<p>Jane Di Dino Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4060</p>

Part 2 - Proposals from Managers for Implementation

APART FROM THE PLANNING APPLICATIONS THERE ARE NO PART TWO ITEMS THIS WEEK

PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE DETERMINED BY HEAD OF PLANNING SERVICES

The Head of Planning Services will exercise his powers to determine the following applications in accordance with the proposed decision for each application unless a Councillor requests the application be referred for decision to Committee.

Your request should be made to the **Head of Planning Services** by telephoning **Julie Watson** (☎023 9283 4826 or 023 9283 4339 answerphone) and must be received by not later than **5 pm on Friday 28 September 2012**. You can also make contact by letter or by e-mail to - planningreps@portsmouthcc.gov.uk - If you wish to know more about a particular application, please contact the Case Officer indicated.

Item No	Application No Ward	Location Description of Development	Planning Officer's Comments	Case Officer Proposed Decision
6	12/00897/FUL Drayton & Farlington	Zetland Field Zetland Path Portsmouth Installation of 4 x 8m high floodlit columns to existing ball court and shelter	One objection has been received by a local resident on the grounds that providing lighting would increase the amount of noise and anti-social behaviour in the area. Environment and Public Protection has no experience with noise from the use of these courts so the Environmental Protection Officer has made a couple of evening site visits to try and obtain some idea as to the level of activity, but unfortunately have yet to witness any activity at all. However, it has been confirmed that no noise complaints from residents regarding the use of this or any of the other courts in the city. The Community Wardens are more experienced with these facilities and they do not consider associated noise levels to be excessive. The Zetland Path court is located 100 metres from the nearest residential properties and quite close to the Eastern Road, consequently there are reasonable separation distances between the two uses and background noise levels from traffic are likely to be elevated. Overall, given the location of the development it is considered capable of support.	Nicola Clayton Tel: 023 9283 4305 Conditional Permission
7	12/00898/FULR Cosham	The Health House 1 Wootton Street Portsmouth Application to renew planning permission 09/01489/FUL to extend period of implementation for construction of two storey building to form health centre annex	A representation has been received on behalf of the neighbouring Community centre raising concern about the possible effect of the proposal on the use of their private car park. The proposal includes the provision of a total of eight parking spaces, which having regard to the site's location within Cosham District Centre, the accessibility of the site to public transport and the availability of public car parks, is considered appropriate. Whilst there have been a number of policy changes since the granting of the previous permission in January 2010, it is considered that none are so significant that would justify not granting a new permission.	Simon Barnett Tel: 023 9284 1281 Conditional Permission

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8	12/00920/PLAR EG Drayton & Farlington	76 Woodfield Avenue Portsmouth Retention of front hardstanding and retaining wall to front of property and raised decking, steps and balustrading to rear elevation (Amended scheme 12/00640/PLAREG)	<p>One letter of representation has been received from an adjoining occupier (No.74 Woodfield Avenue) specifically in relation to the hardstanding at the front of the property. The objection can be summarised as follows. (a) Unsympathetic design; (b) hardstanding too high; (c) loss of light and (d) impact on property value. Impact on property value is not, however, a material planning consideration.</p> <p>Permission is sought for the retention of a raised hardstanding fronting Woodfield Avenue. Owing to their position on the southern slope of Portsdown Hill a number of properties to the south side of Woodfield Avenue are positioned substantially below the level of the road. As such many properties have terraced or stepped front gardens. The applicant has increased the height of a sloping garden to create an almost level area of hardstanding to allow for safer access and egress from vehicles. The hardstanding is positioned approximately 0.5 metres higher than a terraced garden at the front of the adjoining property (No.78) and the associated retaining wall finishes 1.8 metres from the front ground floor window.</p> <p>Within the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 (as amended) an area of hardstanding could be created at the front of the dwelling without the need for planning permission. This would have allowed the applicant to create an area of hardstanding following the gradient of the original front garden. It is considered that the visual impact of vehicles parked on a sloped hardstanding would not be significantly different to that of vehicles parked on an area of raised hardstanding. As such a refusal in terms of visual impact on the street scene could not be sustained.</p> <p>Equally the harm associated with vehicles parked on a sloped hardstanding, in terms of loss of light and outlook, would not be significantly different to that of vehicles parked on an area of raised hardstanding.</p>	<p>Gary Christie</p> <p>Tel: 023 92688592</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p>
9	12/00921/FUL Charles Dickens	Hippodrome House 5-7 Guildhall Walk Portsmouth Installation of replacement shopfront, customer entrance and ATM	<p>One objection has been received relating to the loss of the existing drinking establishment, the impact on existing shops in Guildhall Walk and increased anti-social behaviour due to the sale of cheap alcohol.</p> <p>This application relates to the installation of a replacement shopfront and an ATM. The change of use of the former 'Walkabout' from a drinking establishment within Class A4 to a shop within Class A1 is permitted development and as such does not require planning permission. The issues raised in the objection are therefore not relevant to the merits of the planning application.</p>	<p>Simon Barnett</p> <p>Tel: 023 9284 1281</p> <p>Conditional Permission</p>

Part 3 - Information and News Items

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10		<p>The Traffic, Environment & Community Safety Scrutiny Panel – Tuesday 25 September, Conference Room B at 4pm</p> <p>The Panel will agree the draft scoping document for its review of air quality in Portsmouth and then hear evidence from Richard Lee, Pollution Control Manager and Redouan Sadak, Environment Protection Officer.</p>	<p>Jane Di Dino Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4060</p>
11		<p>Governance & Audit & Standards Committee</p> <p>A meeting of Governance & Audit & Standards Committee will be held on Thursday 27 September 2012 at 2pm in Conference Room A, Floor 2, Civic Offices, Portsmouth, when the following items will be considered:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update report from the District Auditor • Annual District Auditor's Governance Report 2011/12 • Statement of Accounts 2011/2012 • Audit Performance Status Report to 24 August for Audit Plan 2012/13 • RIPA (Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act) • Treasury Management Monitoring Report for the First Quarter of 2012/13 • Treasury Management Outturn 2011/12 • Update on the equalities legislation and the Council's compliance with the Equality Impact Assessment process • Corporate Performance in the Transforming Organisation, Quarter 1, 2012/13 • School Transport & Student Awards Appeal Committee – confirmation of appointments 2012/13 	<p>Vicki Plytas Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4058</p>
12		<p>Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board Wednesday 26 September 2012 at 9.00am in Conference Room A, Civic Offices, Portsmouth</p> <p>The Shadow Health and Wellbeing Board will meet on 26 September 2012 to consider the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End of Life Care • Public Health and transition to local authority • Integrated Commissioning Unit (ICU) 	<p>Vicki Plytas Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4058</p>

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13		Health Overview & Scrutiny Panel - Thursday 27 September 2012 at 9:30am in Conference Room A, 2nd Floor Civic Offices, Portsmouth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Portsmouth Hospitals NHS Trust journey • Continuing Healthcare – Section 75 Agreements • Access to NHS Dental Services update • Update on Children's Oral Health in Portsmouth and the Welsh Government's 'Designed to Smile' scheme • Update on the Local Dentists Committee • South Central Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust update • Southampton Children's Hospital update • Portsmouth Hospital NHS Trust End of Life Care update 	Karen Martin Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4052
14		The Economic Development, Culture & Leisure Scrutiny Panel - Thursday 27 September 2012 at 7.00pm in Conference Room A, Civic Offices, Portsmouth <p>The panel will consider the scoping document for its review into Making Community Ownership work for Portsmouth and will receive information from invited witnesses.</p>	Karen Martin Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4052
15		Traffic & Transportation – 27 September at 10am in the Executive Meeting Room, The Guildhall <p>The Cabinet Member will consider the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic Regulation Order: The Portsmouth City Council (North Kings Area) (Residents' Parking Places and Prohibition of Waiting) (No.19) Order 2012 • Traffic Regulation Order: The Portsmouth City Council (LB Somerstown Parking Scheme: Additional Permit Entitlement) (No.22) Order 2012 • Winter Maintenance Operational Plan • Local Sustainable Transport Fund • Monitoring of First Quarter 2012/13 Revenue Cash Limits and Capital Programme 	Lucy Wingham Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4662

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16		<p>Cabinet – Monday 1 October 2012 at 12 noon, in the Executive Meeting Room, Guildhall</p> <p>The Cabinet is due to consider the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change to Council Tax Benefit • Futchers School Foundation Charitable Scheme • Community Right to Bid 	<p>Vicki Plytas Customer, Community & Democratic Services Tel: 9283 4058</p>
17		<p>Mayfield School Summer 2012 Upgrade Works - Unisex Toilets, Safety Glass and Drama Room</p> <p>A contract has been entered into for the sum of £85,337.00 with D&J Meaden for the upgrade works to the Unisex toilet, Drama Room, Safety Glass and café at the school.</p> <p>This contract was awarded in line with the City Council's contract procedure rules however, due to a change in the original scope of works to include drama room and fire safety glass as part of the works, it has been necessary to increase the value of the contract to £99,287.01</p> <p>There are no financial implications as these costs are still within the overall approved budget for this scheme.</p>	<p>Mr Peter Wakelin Asset Management Service Tel: 9283 8440</p>
18	Charles Dickens	<p>148 Commercial Road Portsmouth PO1 1EX – Planning Appeal Appeal Ref: 12/00386/FUL</p> <p>An appeal has been lodged against the refusal of planning permission for change of use from retail use (Class A1) to coffee shop (mixed use A1/A3).</p> <p>This appeal will now be heard at an Informal Hearing on Tuesday 16th October 2012 starting at 10.00am in Room 1, 3rd Floor, Portsmouth Guildhall.</p>	<p>Gary Christie Planning Services Tel: 9268 8592</p>

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19	Baffins	<p>65 Tangier Road Portsmouth PO3 6JH – Planning Appeal Appeal Ref: 11/01325/VOC Appeal Decision: Allowed Appeal Decision Date: 17 September 2012</p> <p>An appeal was lodged against the refusal of planning permission for installation of gates to existing access and canopy to rear door; removal of Condition 3 attached to 11/00963/FUL.</p> <p>The appeal was dealt with by the written representation procedure and the Inspector decided to allow the appeal.</p>	<p>Ian Parkinson Planning Services Tel: 9283 4301</p>
20	St Thomas	<p>Land Rear of 15-18 Kings Terrace Southsea PO5 3AL – Planning Appeal Appeal Ref: 11/01327/FUL Appeal Decision: Dismissed Appeal Decision Date: 11TH September 2012</p> <p>An appeal was lodged against the refusal of planning permission for construction of a store to be used for purposes falling within Class B8 (storage and distribution)(Resubmission of 11/01002/FUL).</p> <p>The appeal was dealt with by the written representation procedure and the Inspector decided to dismiss the appeal.</p>	<p>Gary Christie Planning Services Tel: 9268 8592</p>