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PLANNING (URGENT REFERRALS) COMMITTEE

MEETING HELD AT THE COMMITTEE ROOM - BOOTLE TOWN HALL, TRINITY ROAD, BOOTLE, L20 7AE ON 25 AUGUST 2017

PRESENT: Councillor Veidman (in the Chair)

Councillors Michael O'Brien and Hands

6. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received.

7. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of any disclosable pecuniary interest were received.

8. MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 14 June, 2017 be confirmed as a correct record.

9. OUTLINE PLANNING APPLICATION (WITH DETAILS OF ACCESS) FOR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT COMPRISING UP TO 95 DWELLINGS AND PUBLIC OPEN SPACE, LAND SOUTH OF ANDREWS LANE, FORMBY (REF: DC/2016/01740)

The Committee considered the report of the Chief Planning Officer which referred to the outline proposal (application No. DC/2016/01740) for residential development on the land to the south of Andrew's Lane in Formby, which was refused under delegated powers on 22nd December 2016. Redrow Homes Ltd submitted an appeal to the Planning Inspectorate on 23rd January 2017 against the Council's decision. The Public Inquiry has been arranged for 26th September 2017.

Since lodging the appeal Redrow submitted a full planning application DC/2017/00606, which was deferred at the 2nd August Planning

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Committee. The report will be considered on the 30th August 2017 Planning Committee with a recommendation for approval, subject to conditions and entering into a Section 106 Agreement. It was considered that this proposal overcomes all the reasons for refusal.

The deadline for the submission of documents for the appeal was before the next Planning Committee and Counsel's advice had been sought in relation to how the Council proceed with the appeal. The advice given was that the reasons for refusal on the outline planning application had been overcome by the information provided as part of the full application, including appropriate conditions and obligations set out in a S106 agreement, and as such the Council have no case to contest at the Public Inquiry.

The report sought the authority to proceed with the Public Inquiry on the basis that the Council would not resist the appeal and the proof of evidence would be based on this approach.

RESOLVED:

That the Council would not resist the appeal against the refusal of the outline application at Andrews Lane, Formby (application No. DC/2016/01740).