

PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE PRE-APPLICATION FORUM

ABERDEEN, 18 August 2015. Minute of Meeting of the PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE PRE-APPLICATION FORUM.
Present:- Councillor Milne, Convener; Councillor Finlayson, Vice-Convener; and Councillors Boulton, Crockett, Greig, Jaffrey, Lawrence, Sandy Stuart and Thomson.

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PROCEDURE NOTE AND GUIDANCE FOR MEMBERS

1. The Forum had before it the procedure note and guidance for members on the operation of Forum meetings.

The Forum resolved:-

to note the procedure note and guidance for members.

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2. The Forum had before it the minute of its previous meeting of 16 July 2015.

The Forum resolved:-

to approve the minute.

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3. The Forum had before it a report by the Head of Planning and Sustainable Development on submission of a Proposal of Application Notice which outlined a potential in principle planning application promoted jointly by Telereal Trillium and BT, for the demolition and redevelopment of the BT engineering centre for student accommodation and flatted residential development.

The Forum heard from representatives of the applicant who outlined the proposal in greater detail and responded to questions from members.

Mr Nicholas Lawrence, the case officer, then addressed the Forum, providing more detail regarding the planning aspects of the application and responded to questions from members. In particular, Mr Lawrence advised that he would be having further

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discussions with the applicant regarding the density and height of the proposed development as new information had very recently come to light.

The Forum resolved:-

- (i) to note that, at the consultation event in May 2015, residents had expressed support for redevelopment of the site however they were concerned at the scale and density of the student accommodation element on site and these concerns had been taken on board with proposals modified, however further discussion would be required between planning officers and the applicant in this regard;
- (ii) to note that residents had also expressed concern in regard to the impact on the local roads infrastructure, however a full suite of documents relating this and a number of other matters would be submitted in due course;
- (iii) to request the applicant to consider putting in place a management plan to deal with car parking; a robust landscaping strategy; and suitable factoring arrangements; and
- (iv) to otherwise note the key issues at this stage.

- **RAMSAY MILNE, Convener**.