

PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE PRE-APPLICATION FORUM

ABERDEEN, 21 September 2015. Minute of Meeting of the PLANNING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE PRE-APPLICATION FORUM.
Present:- Councillor Milne, Convener; Councillor Finlayson, Vice-Convener; and Councillors Greig, Jaffrey, Lawrence, Jean Morrison MBE, 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.

MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

2. The Forum had before it the minute of its previous meeting of 18 August 2015.

The Forum resolved:-

to approve the minute.

GARTHDEE ROAD - SITE OF FORMER CALEDON PUB - 151263

3. The Forum had before it a report by Planning and Sustainable Development on submission of a Proposal of Application Notice which outlined a potential planning application for the demolition of the existing buildings and the erection of student accommodation to provide up to 200 bed spaces over 3 to 5 storeys with associated amenity space.

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

Mr Paul Williamson, the case officer, then addressed the Forum, providing more detail regarding the planning aspects of the application and responded to questions from members.

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The Forum resolved:-

- (i) to note that at the public exhibition event in August 2015, those who attended recognised that the site needed to be redeveloped and were generally supportive of the development;
- (ii) to note that a site investigation had been carried out, the results of which were awaited, and that a drainage statement would be developed and submitted in due course which would address Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems and related requirements;
- (iii) to note that the case officer was satisfied with the principle of the development at this stage, providing the relevant planning policies were complied with, although there was some concern in terms of the proposed height of the development, however it would be upon the applicant to justify the requirement, and how it would work in terms of the layout of the site, in their application for planning permission; and
- (iv) to otherwise note the key issues at this stage.

- RAMSAY MILNE, Convener.