## CONGLETON BOROUGH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PROPERTY REVIEW PANEL held in the Mayor's Room, "Westfields", Middlewich Road, Sandbach, on Wednesday, 28th January, 1998

10400

PRESENT.

Councillor Mrs. L.A. Short (Chairman)

Councillors K.A. Hemsley, M.A. Hunter, J. Iddon, W. Owen, R. Tomlinson

### APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor D. Lloyd-Griffiths.

# EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS.

PRP.34 RESOLVED - That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 8 and 9 of Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Act.

## PROPOSED NEW BUILD AND MAJOR REHABILITATION PROGRAMME TO MEET THE PROMISED OBJECTIVES OF THE LSVT NEW HOUSING PROPOSALS 1998-2003.

The Panel considered Report PRP18/97/8 of the Acting Director of Operations containing an overview of the present proposals to meet the Borough Council's and Dane Housing's new housing objectives for the next five years.

The report indicated the initial progress on the possible provision of new housing units to be constructed primarily upon Borough Council owned land to meet the stated and shared objectives of the Borough Council and Dane Housing (Congleton) Limited.

The Council had made it clear that 250 new units was seen as a minimum figure and that this figure could increase depending on assessment of future need. The Council had also made it clear that it was not constrained to working only with Dane Housing (Congleton) Limited and accordingly would deal with other social housing providers in respect of future housing provision in the Borough.

An initial list of some 15 land areas within the Borough in which the Borough Council either owned or had an existing land interest had been reviewed and from that original list of 15 sites, 7 sites had been identified as capable of possibly meeting the first stages of a social housing building programme for 1998/99.

#### PRP.35 RESOLVED -

(a) That the report be received;

(b) That the Acting Head of Technical Services be requested to

The Panel considered the following recommendation from the Amenities and Leisure Services Committee held on the 22nd September, 1997 :--

"ALS.63 - Recommended -

(a) That the public open space and housing development as shown on the plan identified in the report now submitted, be accepted for a transfer to the Council on terms and conditions to be agreed by the Head of Amenities and Leisure Services, the Head of Legal Services and the Acting Head of Technical Services and the Head of Legal Services be authorised to enter into the appropriate land transfer documentation;

(b) That the Property Review Panel be recommended to endorse the aforementioned recommendation."

PRP.43 RESOLVED -

(a) That the recommendation be approved;

(b) That the Acting Head of Technical Services be requested to write to the developer (Jones Homes) and request that the advertising hoardings at the entrance to the site be removed as soon as possible.

# PUBLIC OPEN SPACE - BRIDGE FARM, OFF HERMITAGE DRIVE, HOLMES CHAPEL.

The Panel considered the following recommendation of the Amenities and Leisure Services Committee held on the 22nd September, 1997 :-

"ALS.64 - Recommended -

(a) That the Council accept the offer from Westbury Homes (Holdings) Ltd, to transfer the land to the Council for a sum of £1 subject to any other terms and conditions to be agreed by the Head of Legal Services and the Head of Amenities and Leisure Services;

(b) That the Property Review Panel be recommended to endorse the aforementioned recommendation;

(c) That when this area comes into Council ownership, the comments of Holmes Chapel Parish Council be sought on the layout of the land in question;

(d) That the Head of Amenities and Leisure Services be requested to submit a report to the next meeting identifying alternative options for taking land into public ownership."

PRP.44 RESOLVED - That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

ANTROBUS STREET CAR PARK, CONGLETON./

The Panel considered the following recommendation of the Environmental Services Committee held on the 17th November, 1997 :-

"ES.56 - Recommended -

(a) That it be acknowledged that it was always the intention of the Borough Council to grant vehicular access rights to the rear of 2 Swanbank, Congleton across Antrobus Street public car park;

(b) That the Property Review Panel be recommended to grant such rights on terms and conditions to be determined by the Acting Head of Technical Services and Head of Legal Services;

(c) That these terms and conditions to include a capital receipt for the benefit of such access and to reserve the right for the Borough Council to alter the route of the access at a later date if necessary."

PRP.45 RESOLVED - That the recommendation of the Environmental Services Committee be approved.

CONGLETON CEMETERY PROVISION.

The Panel considered the following recommendation of the Amenities and Leisure Services Committee dated the 12th January, 1998 :-

"ALS.126 - Recommended -

(a) That the report be received;

(b) That the terms and conditions for site acquisition and development as contained in the report now submitted in relation to land at St. Peter's Churchyard, Congleton be approved;

(c) That, subject to (b) above, authority be given for the submission of a full planning application for cemetery use of the land referred to;

(d) That, subject to (b) above, the development of the site at Key Green be considered unnecessary at the present time, but the offer be kept under review and Key Green Methodist Church be thanked for their offer and notified of the Committee's decision."

PRP.46 RESOLVED - That the recommendation of the Amenities and Leisure Services Committee be approved.

# WEST STREET CAR PARK, CONGLETON.

The Panel considered the following recommendation of the Environmental Services Committee dated the 19th January, 1998 :-

"ES.77 - Recommended -