

# Planning Committee

**Wednesday 17 September 2008 7.30pm**

**Council Chamber  
Runnymede Civic Centre, Addlestone**

## Members of the Committee

Councillors G B Woodger (Chairman), D W Parr (Vice Chairman), Mrs F M Angell, J R Ashmore, Mrs F J Barden, J M Edwards, J R Furey, Mrs E Gill, C Knight, M T Kusneraitis, Mrs Y P Lay, H W V Meares, Mrs M Roberts, N Stewert and P B Tuley.

## AGENDA

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- a) Exempt Information  
(No reports to be considered under this heading)
- b) Confidential Information  
(No reports to be considered under this heading)

## GLOSSARY OF TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

TERM	EXPLANATION
BCN	Breach of Condition Notice. Formal enforcement action to secure compliance with a valid condition
Brownfield land	'Previously Developed Land'. Land which is or was occupied by a permanent (non-agricultural) structure, including the curtilage of the development (therefore includes gardens)
BVPI's	Best Value Performance Indicators. Specified by central government to measure performance on a wide range of Council services
CHA	County Highways Authority. Responsible for offering advice on highways issues relating to planning applications as well as highways maintenance and improvement
CIR	Government Circular – document setting out policy which has legal connotations
CLEUD	Certificate of Lawful Existing Use or Development. Formal procedure to ascertain whether a development which does not have planning permission is immune from enforcement action
CLOPUD	Certificate of Lawful Proposed Use or Development. Formal procedure to ascertain whether a development requires planning permission
Conservation Area	An area of special architectural or historic interest designated due to factors such as the layout of buildings, boundaries, characteristic materials, vistas and open spaces
CPA	Comprehensive Performance Assessment. An external process to assess the quality of individual Council's Performance (set out in the Local Government White Paper 2001). It brings together evidence from a range of internal and external sources, in addition to an on site inspection, in order to arrive at an overall category
DC	Development Control – the area of planning service that processes planning applications, planning appeals and enforcement work
Design Statement	A design statement is submitted with a planning application and sets out the design principles that the applicant has adopted to make the proposal fit into its wider context
Development Plan	The combined policy documents of the Structure Plan, Local Plan, Minerals and Waste Plans. Will shortly be replaced by the South East Plan, the Local Development Framework and the Minerals and Waste Frameworks
DTS	Director of Technical Services
EA	Environment Agency. Lead government agency advising on flooding and pollution control
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment – formal environmental assessment of specific categories of development proposals
ES	Environmental Assessment under the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations
FRA	Flood Risk Assessment
GPDO	General Permitted Development Order. Document which sets out categories of permitted development (see 'PD')
GOSE	The Government Office for the South East. This is the local office of the Deputy Prime Minister for the South East region of England
HGV	Heavy Goods Vehicle
LBC	Listed Building Consent
LDD	Local Development Documents – component parts of the LDF
LDF	Local Development Framework. The policy document that will guide development in the Borough up to 2026
LDS	Local Development Scheme - sets out the programme and timetable for preparing LDDs

<b>TERM</b>	<b>EXPLANATION</b>
Listed building	An individual building or group of buildings which require a level of protection due to its architectural interest, historical interest, historical associations or group value
LNR	Local Nature Reserve
Local Plan	The current planning policy document that will be replaced by the LDF
LPA	Local Planning Authority
LSP	Local Strategic Partnership – Leads on the Community Strategy
Material Considerations	Matters which are relevant in determining planning applications
Net Density	As defined in PPG3: Housing. The density of a housing development excluding major distributor roads, primary schools, open spaces serving a wider area and significant landscape buffer strips
PCN	Planning Contravention Notice. Formal notice which requires information to be provided in connection with an enforcement investigation. It does not in itself constitute enforcement action
PD	Permitted development – works which can be undertaken without the need to submit a planning application
PDG	Planning Delivery Grant. An annual grant from central government which reflects the previous year's performance in delivering planning services
P & I	Policy and Implementation – the area of planning service that produces the Local Development Framework, monitors development and supports the Runnymede Business Partnership and Travel Initiative
PINS	Planning Inspectorate
POS	Public Open Space
PPG	Planning Policy Guidance. This is guidance issued by the Secretary of State detailing National Planning Policy within existing legislation
PPS	Planning Policy Statements. The replacement title for PPG
Ramsar Site	A wetland of international importance
RIPA	Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act. Provides limitation on covert surveillance relating to enforcement investigation
SAC	Special Area of Conservation – an SSSI additionally designated as a Special Area of Conservation under the European Community's Habitats Directive 1992 in order to maintain or restore priority natural habitats and wild species
SCI	Statement of Community Involvement. The document and policies that indicate how the community will be engaged in the preparation of the LDF
SEA/SA	Strategic Environmental Assessment/Sustainability Appraisal – formal appraisal of the Local development Framework
SEEDA	South East England Development Agency
SEERA	South East England Regional Assembly – based in Guildford. Responsible for producing South East Plan
Sec. 106	A legal agreement for the provision of facilities and/or infrastructure either directly by a developer or through a financial contribution, to meet the needs arising out of a development. Can also prevent certain matters
SNCI	Site of Nature Conservation Importance. A non-statutory designated area of county or regional wildlife value
South East Plan	Regional Planning Document produced in draft form by SEERA. Will provide regional planning guidance and housing targets for individual Councils for the period up to 2026
SPA	Special Protection Area. An SSSI additionally designated a Special Protection Area under the European Community's Directive on the Conservation of Wild Birds 1979
SPD	Supplementary Planning Document – provides additional advice on policies in Local Development Framework (replaces SPG)
SSSI	Site of Special Scientific Interest
Structure Plan	Strategic guidance for the whole county produced by Surrey County Council. Will eventually be replaced by the South East Plan

TERM	EXPLANATION
SUDS	Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems. Providing urban drainage systems in a more environmentally sensitive way by systems designed to reduce the quantity of run-off, slow its velocity or provide for filtering, sedimentation and biological degradation of the water
Sustainable Development	Sustainable development is the core principle underpinning planning. It is defined as “development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs”
TA	Transport Assessment – assessment of the traffic and transportation implications of a development proposal
TPO	Tree Preservation Order – where a tree or trees are formally protected and prior consent is needed for pruning or felling
TRICS	Computerised database and trip rate analysis used to estimate traffic flows to and from a variety of land uses, to assess transportation implications of new development in southern England
Use Classes Order	Document which lists classes of use and permits certain changes between uses without the need for planning permission

1. FIRE PRECAUTIONS

The Chairman will read the Fire Precautions which set out the procedures to be followed in the event of fire or other emergency.

2. NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES TO COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

3. MINUTES

To confirm and sign the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 27 August 2008 (Appendix 'A') as a correct record.

4. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

If Members have an interest in an item please record the interest on the form circulated with this Agenda and hand it to the Legal Representative or Committee Administrator at the start of the meeting. A supply of the form will also be available from the Committee Administrator at meetings.

Members who have previously declared interests which are recorded in the Minutes to be considered at this meeting need not repeat the declaration when attending the meeting. Members need take no further action unless the item in which they have an interest becomes the subject of debate, in which event the Member must leave the room if the interest is personal and prejudicial.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A list of planning applications to be determined by the Committee is attached.

If Members have particular queries or interests in certain applications, the application files will be available for inspection and Officers present from 7.00 p.m. prior to the meeting in the ante room of the Council Chamber. This will be an informal opportunity for Members to see further details of applications and representations and to discuss and clarify issues. Copies of all letters of representation will also be placed on the table in the Chamber prior to the meeting and will be available for inspection by Members.

**OFFICERS' RECOMMENDATION that -**

**the said applications be determined as indicated and any permission granted be subject to the conditions authorised.**

**(TO RESOLVE)**

Background Papers

A list of background papers is available from the Technical Services Department.

7. SOUTH EAST ENGLAND REGIONAL ASSEMBLY CONSULTATION ON GYPSY & TRAVELLER SITE PROVISION IN THE SOUTH EAST (DTS)

1. **Purpose of Report**

1.1 **The purpose of this report is to:**

- i) **advise the Committee of the current distribution options for Gypsy and Traveller site provision within the South East; and**
- ii) **approve a response to the South East of England Regional Assembly's (SEERA) consultation exercise on its review of site provision for Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople.**

1.2 **A report thereon is also being considered by the Housing and Community Services Committee on 10 September 2008 and the decision of that Committee will be reported.**

2. **Background Information**

- 2.1 The Housing Act 2004 made it a statutory requirement for Local Authorities to undertake an assessment of the accommodation needs of gypsies and travellers. Initially the work was confined to research on the needs of gypsies and travellers but it was subsequently extended to include analysis of the needs of travelling showpeople.
- 2.2 Local Authorities are also required to ensure that provision for the accommodation needs of gypsies, travellers and showpeople is made within the Local Development Framework and must produce a Development Plan Document covering proposed arrangements to meet site requirements.
- 2.3 To establish the level of provision required the Council jointly commissioned a Gypsy and Travellers Accommodation Assessment (the GTAA). The assessment was undertaken by Dr Home from the Anglia Ruskin University. The study was funded by the 4 Boroughs of Runnymede, Spelthorne, Elmbridge and Woking and the final report, which was published in April 2007, estimated the future pitch requirements of each Borough.
- 2.4 The Government requires the South East Regional Assembly (SEERA) to review the needs assessments (the GTAA) that has been undertaken by the Local Authorities and the arrangements for provision across the whole of the south east. SEERA are also required to determine total pitch requirements at a regional level and then to allocate these between Local Planning Authorities.
- 2.5 SEERA informed Local Authorities in December 2006 that, in addition to providing copies of the GTAA, they required authorities to provide advice on the required level of pitch provision for permanent and transit caravan sites and for Gypsies, Travellers and travelling showpeople. This advice had to be submitted to SEERA by October 2007.
- 2.6 Arrangements were made to establish a Gypsy and Travellers Steering Group to formulate the advice for SEERA. Officers and Members from each of the 4 Boroughs and the County were included on the Steering Group, as were gypsy and showpeople representatives.
- 2.7 A copy of the final Advice that was submitted to SEERA in 2007 is available in the Members' Room. At this time the pitch requirement for gypsies and travellers (excluding showpeople) for the North Surrey area was estimated at 87 pitches over the period to 2016.
- 2.8 It was not possible to reach a consensus with the Showmen's Guild over the number of pitches required for showpeople for North Surrey prior to the submission of the advice to SEERA however at this time the Guild were asking for between 24 and 32 pitches although not all in the North Surrey area.
- 2.9 SEERA required that the advice submitted should contain at least two options for pitch distribution. The first option (A) was to assume pitch need would be met in the Borough where it arose on a pro rata basis. The second option (B) was to take into account 'planning

principles' to reflect existing opportunities and constraints. Five basic principles were identified by SEERA to assist in the consideration of 'Option B'. The five principles were:

- Sustainability
- Equity and Choice
- Social Inclusion
- Environmental Protection, and
- Flexibility of provision.

- 2.10 The pitch distribution, as agreed by this Committee on 15 August 2007, which was included in the October 2007 advice to SEERA is set out at Appendix 'B'. This has, however, been subsequently amended as set out below.
- 2.11 Following submission of the Advice to SEERA it became clear from comparisons made between individual Boroughs/Counties that there had been differences in the approach taken to the treatment of the information contained within the GTAA. The majority of Authorities had accepted their GTAA advice. However, some authorities had questioned the assumptions and made adjustments to their pitch requirements. There were a range of adjustments made and SEERA subsequently gave all Districts an opportunity to revise their GTAA results in the light of the new information.
- 2.12 One particular factor that other Authorities had included in their assessments that had not been included by Dr Home in the North Surrey study was an adjustment to the pitch requirement to take account of vacancies arising within the existing stock of Gypsy and Traveller sites. A meeting of the North Surrey Steering Group was held at which representatives from the gypsy community and the Showmen's Guild were present. At this meeting information was provided on vacancy rates within the existing stock. It was subsequently agreed that adjustments should be made to the North Surrey advice to reflect the fact that these vacancies would help those identified as being in need.
- 2.13 Having reviewed the information and published the results SEERA subsequently gave individual Districts an opportunity to revise their GTAA results in the light of the new information. An exercise was therefore undertaken by the four North Surrey Districts to see whether or not any further adjustments were required to the North Surrey figures.
- 2.14 The adjustments made for vacancies has led to a new estimate of pitch need from North Surrey of 44 pitches for gypsies and travellers and 22 for travelling showpeople. The distribution that results for the amended figure is as follows:

**Option A**

District	Pitch Number for Gypsies and Travellers	Pitch Number for travelling showpeople
Elmbridge	9	2
Runnymede	18	13
Woking	10	0
Spelthorne	7	7
Total	44	22

**Option B**

District	Pitch Number for Gypsies and Travellers	Pitch Number for travelling showpeople
Elmbridge	13	Option B was not sought for travelling showpeople
Runnymede	11	
Woking	11	
Spelthorne	9	
Total	44	

- 2.15 As indicated above SEERA originally asked that Districts provide two options for distribution of pitch numbers (A and B). However at the March 2008 meeting of the SEERA plenary a report was received that argued for a wider range of distribution options for the following reasons:

- The pitch requirement at County level for options A and B were identical and did not offer an alternative option. To meet procedural requirements for the review SEERA must offer reasonable alternatives for consultation.
- DCLG guidance actively promotes the widening of responsibility for pitch provision and the A and B options did not address this. With these options Surrey and Kent, who currently have 52% of the region's pitches, would provide 48% of the requirement.

2.16 A further two pitch distribution options have therefore been proposed by SEERA i.e. options C and D:

**Option C** allows for 50% of the pitch need that is generated within the region to be redistributed across all Districts on the basis of available land (free of major environmental constraints) and population forecasts for 2016.

**Option D** is very similar to Option B but proposes that the redistribution is for 25% of the pitch need.

2.17 The resulting distribution for Surrey of the above options for gypsies and travellers (not showpeople) is as follows:

County grouping and Authority	Option A	Option B	Option C	Option D
	Need as arises	Local sustainability	50% reallocated	25% reallocated
Elmbridge	9	13	11	12
Epsom & Ewell	7	6	7	7
Guildford	32	33	19	26
Mole Valley	7	6	6	6
Reigate & Banstead	4	8	8	8
Runnymede	18	11	8	9
Spelthorne	7	9	7	8
Surrey Heath	20	19	13	16
Tandridge	10	8	7	7
Waverley	39	39	23	31
Woking	10	11	9	10
<b>Surrey</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>140</b>

2.18 The pitch provision for showpeople is given in the table below. Although there was no option B distribution for travelling showpeople an option B is proposed for 42 families that have no geographic link with a particular Borough. The resulting distribution for travelling showpeople is:

County grouping and Authority	Option A Need as arises	Option B With 42 families	Option C 50% reallocated	Option D 25% reallocated
Elmbridge	2	1	2	2

Epsom & Ewell	1	0	2	1
Guildford	15	1	9	12
Mole Valley	0	0	1	1
Reigate & Banstead	4	1	3	4
Runnymede	13	0	7	10
Spelthorne	7	0	4	6
Surrey Heath	10	0	6	8
Tandridge	4	0	3	4
Waverley	2	0	2	2
Woking	0	0	1	1
<b>Surrey</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>51</b>

- 2.19 Distribution proposals have not been formulated for transit site provision, SEERA has proposed that Regional policy should encourage a wide-ranging approach to meeting transit requirements and not just formal site provision, including tolerated stopping places and a proportionate approach to enforcement.

### 3. Report

- 3.1 Having received the advice from each of the Districts and formulated the options SEERA is now required to consult on the options before determining the final level of pitch provision to be made in each area. The consultation process will be conducted over a period of 12 weeks from 1 September to 21 November and will take a range of forms. It will include:

- Opinion polling
- 3-4 stakeholder workshops
- Direct work with gypsies and travellers
- 1:1 sessions on GTAA/Advice issues where appropriate

- 3.2 A copy of the consultation document is attached at Appendix 'C'. This invites responses on two main issues:

- the proposed number of new spaces for gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople in the South East
- four options for dividing how many pitches go into each Council area.

- 3.3 The Council is invited to respond to the consultation and a draft reply will be circulated to Members prior to the meeting. Members' views are sought on the proposed content of the response.

- 3.4 It should be noted that this matter is to be considered by both the Housing and Planning Committees and therefore changes will be needed to take account of the views of both. In view of this it is recommended that the Director of Housing & Community Services in consultation with the Chairman of Planning and Chairman of Housing & Community Services Committees be authorised to approve the final response.

### 4. New Site Provision

- 4.1 The Government is urging Local Authorities not to wait for the outcome of the Regional Assessment of pitch requirements. It has made it clear in a report<sup>1</sup> that "all local planning

<sup>1</sup> The Road Ahead: Final Report on the Independent Task Group on Site Provision and Enforcement for Gypsies and Travellers, published in December 2007

authorities where there is a demonstrable need for site provision – including those in regions where a Regional Spatial Strategy has not yet allocated pitch numbers to each Local Planning Authority – should give serious consideration to proceeding with a development plan document now."

- 4.2 Furthermore a letter was received from Iain Wright MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, on 28 July in which he was urging Local Authorities to move into a new phase of delivering an increased number of pitches in order to reduce the amount of unauthorised camping that takes place.
- 4.3 Officers are currently developing the Core Strategy Development Plan Document (DPD) which will include a strategic policy on Gypsies, Travellers and travelling populations. A draft consultation version of the Core Strategy is anticipated early in 2009 with final adoption in late 2010. A Housing and Commercial Sites DPD, which will include the specific provision and allocation of sites for Gypsies, Travellers and travelling populations is programmed to start later this year. The anticipated adoption date for this DPD is October 2011. In the interim it is proposed to explore different options for provision including the following:
- i) extension of existing authorised sites;
  - ii) authorisation of existing illegal encampments;
  - iii) provision within new areas.

## 5. Council Policy

- 5.1 The Council's current strategic plans do not cover the issues identified within this report but future plans will make appropriate references to these needs. However, the DPD is part of a statutory requirement and will form Council policy in respect of this matter.

## 6. Resource Implications

- 6.1 The Runnymede share of the costs of the consultants fees for the travellers and showman survey was £27,000 (paid in 2007). There has been a considerable amount of Officer time devoted to this process. Government grant of £8,475 was received in 2007 towards the cost of the needs assessment process.
- 6.2 Additional pitch provision may well generate a need for new resources and will need to be considered in detail once the location of proposed sites has been determined. The South East has £18 million of Government funding for 2008 - 2011 to help Councils and Housing Associations provide new spaces and upgrade existing sites.
- 6.3 The work on the DPD forms part of the current programme contributing towards the production of the Local Development Framework (LDF).

## 7. Equality

- 7.1 Gypsies and Travellers are classified as an ethnic minority group under the Race Discrimination legislation. The Council should therefore actively seek the views of Gypsies and Travellers in relation to any proposed policy and plans for pitch provision. This would form a natural part of the LDF consultation.
- 7.2 The views of Gypsies and Travellers were taken into account during the GTAA process and Gypsy and Traveller representatives were also included on the Steering Group that provided the advice to SEERA. SEERA are arranging for Traveller Groups to be consulted as part of the current exercise and arrangements will also be made for them to be consulted in relation to the Runnymede DPD.

## 8. Conclusions

- 8.1 The Council is being asked to comment on the proposed number of pitches for gypsies, travellers and travelling showpeople in the South East. It is also being asked to comment upon four options for the distribution of Gypsy and Traveller pitches. A draft response will be circulated prior to the meeting and Members are invited to propose any amendments or additions to this.

- 8.2 The Council is also being urged to identify opportunities for specific site provision and therefore arrangements are being made for a Development Plan Document to be compiled.

**OFFICERS' RECOMMENDATION that:-**

- i) Members note the content of the consultation documents and the proposed response and suggest amendments/additions; and**
- ii) the Director of Housing & Community Services in consultation with the Chairmen of the Housing & Community Services Committee and the Planning Committee be authorised to approve the final response to SEERA.**

**(TO RESOLVE)**

Background Papers

DHCS files for GTAA Gypsy and Travellers Site Advice

8. FINANCIAL MONITORING STATEMENT (DF)

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 **To inform the Committee of the latest financial projections for the 2008/09 financial year for Planning and Development services.**

2. Background Information

- 2.1 The Financial Monitoring Statement was introduced to all Committees in September 2006 to inform Members of the current financial position of the services under the remit of each Committee.
- 2.2 Each statement reflects an updated position based upon the 2008/09 original estimates approved by this Committee in January. The Financial Forecast previously approved by Council on 1 November 2007 has now been updated to reflect changes made during the updating of the Council's Revenue estimates.

3. Report

- 3.1 The statement at Appendix 'D' is split into three distinct parts:

- Projected budget and forecast
- Savings still to be delivered
- Current year key budget indicators

- 3.2 The Projected budget and forecast sections show the anticipated variations in the current year's budget. These variations are categorised as approved changes and other potential changes. Implications for the following three years are included for completeness so that the full-year effect of any changes can be seen.

- 3.3 The achievement of the revenue reductions programme approved by the Council is one of the Council's key performance indicators. Savings targets not yet achieved are reported in the second section of each statement. These savings are all incorporated into the projected budget and forecast figures in section one.

- 3.4 The final section sets out the key budget indicators for the significant areas of this Committee's budget. This indicates the actual income received set against the amount expected (the budget) for the period covered by each statement.

4. Savings Targets

- 4.1 At its meeting on 26 June 2008, the Corporate Management Committee resolved that a report be prepared for all service Committees requesting them to consider savings proposals

for those areas of required savings within their budget which they had not yet achieved. This would include looking at possible alternative methods of achieving savings.

- 4.2 A statement of the progress towards the achievement of the £2.6 million revenue reductions is at Appendix 'E'. This shows that from the planned savings of £2,623,000 the Council had achieved £2,072,000 by the end of 2007/08. Some of the savings were not programmed to be fully achieved until 2008/09 and when these are taken into account the final savings total is expected to be £2,415,000 (shown in the last column of the statement).
- 4.3 The statement only documents the progress on the savings initiatives in the original target list drawn up in March and September 2005. It does not include other savings initiatives that were planned before the revenue reductions targets were approved (e.g. Community Transport) or that have been pursued subsequently.
- 4.4 The one savings target not achieved for this Committee relates to £20,000 of further income being generated from increases in fees for development control. The fee levels set by the Government remained unchanged for several years and were finally increased from April 2008. However in the current climate increased income is unlikely to be achieved.

**(FOR INFORMATION)**

Background Papers

None stated.

9. APPEAL DECISIONS

The Planning Inspectorate has recently determined the appeals mentioned below. The appeal decisions are available for inspection in the Members' Room.

<u>Site/Development</u>	<u>Decision</u>
a) 6 Simons Walk, Englefield Green - planning appeal regarding demolition of one existing property and proposed erection of two 4 bed houses. (RU 07/0696)	DISMISSED
b) Bousley End Stables, 82 Bousley Rise, Ottershaw - planning appeal regarding erection of two storey side extension, single storey rear extension and new pitched roof with 3 velux windows. (RU 07.0865)	DISMISSED
c) 26 Addlestone Park, Addlestone - planning appeal regarding demolition of existing dwelling (No 26) and the erection of seven 2/3 bed apartments. (RU 07/0939)	DISMISSED
d) 212 Chertsey Lane, Staines - enforcement appeal regarding change of use of a detached garage to a self contained residential use.	DISMISSED AND ENFORCEMENT NOTICE UPHeld. COSTS AWARDED TO COUNCIL

**(FOR INFORMATION)**

Background Papers

Appeal decisions.

10. STANDING ORDER 42 - URGENT ACTION

The following action has been taken after consultation with the Chairman of this Committee under Standing Order 42.

Officer	Action Taken	Central Index No
Director of Technical Services	Authority to issue a further Enforcement Notice requiring removal of hard surface from land at junction of Longcross Road and Kitsmead Lane, Longcross.	669

**(FOR INFORMATION)**

Background Papers

Standing Order 669 on DAL SO42 file.

11. PLANNING APPLICATIONS DETERMINED BY DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL SERVICES (DTS)

A list of planning applications recently determined by the Director of Technical Services under his delegated powers is attached at Appendix 'F'. If Members have any particular matters they wish to raise, prior notice to the Chairman would be of assistance.

**(FOR INFORMATION)**

Background Papers

None

12. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

If Members are minded to consider any of the foregoing reports in private, it is the

**OFFICERS' RECOMMENDATION that -**

**the press and public be excluded from the meeting during discussion of the following reports under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that the report in question would be likely to involve disclosure of exempt information of the description specified in appropriate paragraphs of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act.**

**(TO RESOLVE)**

**PART II**

Matters involving Exempt or Confidential information in respect of which reports have not been made available for public inspection.

a) Exempt Information

(No reports to be considered under this heading)

b) Confidential Information

(No reports to be considered under this heading)