

4. DRAFT PLANNING BRIEF – ALDERSTONE ROAD WEST, LIVINGSTON

A report had been circulated by the Development Plan Manager advising members of the Local Area Committee of the terms of a draft planning brief for a site at Alderstone Road West, Livingston.

Steve McLucas, Planning Officer, presented the report. He explained that the brief, copy of which was appended to the report, was intended to guide the development of the site and identify key design, environmental and infrastructural requirements of the council as well as any additional community benefits that would be required as a result of development of the site. With regard to marketing, Property Services had advised that there were no immediate plans to market the site. The purpose of the brief at this stage was to allow for the site to come forward quickly should the council decide at some future date to move forward on marketing.

The report also set out proposed arrangements for consultation on the draft brief.

The Committee noted that, since the draft brief had been circulated to local members for comment, the site was now being considered by officers as part of the next phase of sites for release for council house building. It was anticipated that the council would be identifying sites for a new phase of council house building in the near future and the site may be one of those brought forward for this purpose.

It was recommended that members:

- Note the principles of development contained within the draft planning brief;
- Note that if the site was marketed, the brief would be subject to local consultation prior to reporting to the Council Executive for approval; and
- Note that if council housing comes forward, a planning application would form the focus for consultation.

Decision

To note the terms of the report and to endorse the proposed arrangements for local consultation and submission to the Council Executive.