

CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT – 8 FEBRUARY 2018

OXFORD GATHORNE ROAD – PROPOSED RESTORATION OF PARKING PERMITS TO WINGFIELD HOUSE (2A GATHORNE ROAD)

Report by Director for Infrastructure Delivery

1. At the Cabinet Member for Environment's Delegated Decision meeting on 12 October 2017 a report was considered on the proposed restoration of parking permits for Wingfield House, a development of six flats at 2A Gathorne Road. Following consideration of the officer's report (Annex 1) and representations made both in support of the proposal by the representative of the owner of the property, and also those against made by local residents, the local member and the Opposition spokesman for Environment, the Cabinet Member for Environment decided not to approve the proposed restoration of parking permits, as detailed in the Minute of the decision (Annex 2).
2. Following the above meeting, on the 18 December the County Council received a letter from the legal representatives of the owner of the property citing grounds on which they considered the decision by the Cabinet Member for Environment were not valid. A response was sent by the County Council on 4 January rebutting the cited grounds, but acknowledging that in the Minute of the decision, the reasons could be better expressed and that on this basis alone it would be recommended to the Cabinet Member for the Environment that the decision should be rescinded. A fresh decision will then be required including a comprehensive review of the representations which have been made and an up-to-date survey of parking in the area.

RECOMMENDATION

The Cabinet Member for the Environment is RECOMMENDED to rescind the decision taken on 12 October 2017 not to approve restoration of parking permits for Wingfield House, 2A Gathorne Road, Oxford and require a further report on the proposal to include a comprehensive review of the representations made together with an up-to-date parking survey for consideration of the matter to a future meeting.

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Background papers: The relevant Report and Minute for the Cabinet Member for Environment decisions meeting on 12 October 2017;

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