PLANNING COMMITTEE 5 DECEMBER 2016

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Correspondence received and matters arising following preparation of the Agenda

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Former Richards Aquatics

Market Street

Following publication of the committee report and the closure of the statutory consultation the following further representations have been received:

- 26 signed copies of the neighbour consultation letter;
- 12 signed copies of the same objection letter;
- 31 new written objections;
- 44 new letters of support.

No new material planning concerns have been raised in objection to the proposals and existing points relating to crime and anti-social behaviour have been reiterated. New comments have questioned whether the City Centre location is appropriate and have suggested that a location on the edge of the City would be more appropriate for this use. However, it is considered that a City Centre location is preferred as users of the service tend to be located in the City Centre and do not have access to transport to reach facilities on the edge of the City. Furthermore the location is easily accessible to existing City Centre services and other support charities and networks. Concerns have also been raised regarding the impact of the proposals on the independent businesses that operate in the area.

New letters of support have raised the following new points:

- Property is ideally located in the centre close of other services for the homeless and vulnerable in the community;
- Takes people off the streets in the evening making it safer;
- The support workers are trained professionals who will maintain order within the shelter as well as offering advice;
- Positive addition to moving people off the streets;
- Help to reduce strain on other services (i.e. health service);
- Good use of an unused building.

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Land to rear of Crawford Hotel

Alphington Road

Nothing new to add.

Item 6

Application Ref: 16/1068/03

Hope Court

Prince of Wales Road

Nothing new to add.