

PLANNING DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

24 May 2007

Attendance:

Councillors:

Jeffer (Chairman) (P)

Baxter (P)
Busher (P)
Evans (P)
Huxstep (P)
Lipscomb

Johnston (P)
Pearce (P)
Ruffell (P)
Saunders (P)
Sutton (P)

Deputy Members

Councillor Godfrey (Standing Deputy for Councillor Lipscomb)

Others in attendance who addressed the meeting:

Councillors Berry and Wright

1. **DEVELOPMENT CONTROL SCHEDULE**

(Report PDC687 refers)

Item 4: Greenacres Special School, 61 Andover Road, Winchester – Case Number: 06/03311/FUL

The Head of Planning advised that there had been an error in the Report, as it had failed to record that the representations received from the public had raised concerns regarding the character of the proposed development and its adverse impact on the surrounding area.

Mr Bell-Chambers and Councillor Berry (as a Ward Member) spoke in opposition to the application. Mr Luken and Mr Parker (as representatives of the applicant) spoke in support.

In summary, Councillor Berry stated that the application was likely to increase traffic congestion and the likelihood of accidents at the Stoney Lane and Berewecke Avenue junctions onto Andover Road. She commented that the application was out of character with the area, that it was an overdevelopment of the site and that the main block was large and overbearing. Councillor Berry added that the concerns she had expressed were shared with Councillor Worrall (another Ward Member), who was unable to attend the meeting.

Following debate, the Committee agreed that the Planning Development Control (Viewing) Sub-Committee determine the application, as concerns were raised regarding its character and, given the sloping levels of the site, its impact on neighbouring properties (particularly 63 Andover Road). The Sub-Committee would meet on-site at 9.30am on Tuesday 19 June 2007 and at 11.00am determine the application at a public meeting in the Guildhall, Winchester.