

ITEM 16

Area Panel 1 – 12 January 2005

Minute Extract

41/04 Update on Progress regarding Community Issues raised at the Area Panel Meeting

The Panel considered an update report on progress on community issues raised at the last meeting. The report included details of issues raised and various progress to date and details of which Council Officer was responsible for these issues.

Agreed to note the report.

Specific Issues

Community Facilities, Breadsall Hilltop, Derwent

A member of the public asked why this issue was taking so long. It was reported that the land could not be adopted until it was up to a standard, suitable for maintenance. In respect of this particular piece of land, there were still a few issues to be resolved relating to trees and drainage. The developers, Crest Nicholson, needed to carry out works to bring the land up to standard and the Council could not force them to do this. The Council were encouraging the developers to complete the works. Councillor Roberts suggested writing to Crest Nicholson, asking why we had been waiting for six years and requesting a response. Alf Bousie, Principal Landscape Assistant, reported that a consultation exercise was to be carried out to see what the public wanted to do with the land so that works could commence as soon as the land was adopted. He reported that the Council could not do anything until the land was in the Council's ownership.

Agreed:

- 1. To ask the Director of Development and Cultural Services to write to Crest Nicholson requesting an explanation of why the Council had been waiting so long for the works to be completed.**
- 2. To request the Scrutiny Management Commission to investigate the wider issue of land adoption across the city with a view to this situation being prevented in future.**