

CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL
Record of Officer Urgency Action

Urgency Powers: to Withdraw the Enforcement Notice dated 2 October 2014 relating to 136 Perne Rd Cambridge

Decision of: Director of Environment: Simon Payne

Reference:

Date of decision:

Decision Type: Officer Urgent Action

Matter for Decision: That the Council will withdraw the enforcement notice dated 2 October 2014 relating to 136 Perne Road Cambridge.

Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options): Due to the view expressed by the Inspector appointed by the Planning Inspectorate to deal with this case that an amendment to the enforcement notice at the inquiry might cause prejudice to the appellant. The alternative is to leave the notice extant and to proceed with the inquiry, which would bring with it a risk of an award of costs against the Council.

Officer decision(s): To withdraw the enforcement notice dated 2 October 2014 relating to 136 Perne Road Cambridge.

Committee consideration: The Chair, and Opposition Spokespersons of the Planning Committee were consulted prior to the action being authorised.

Briefing Note/Report: A briefing note detailing the requirement for the decision is attached.

Conflicts of interest: None

Note: City Council Constitution: Part 3 Para 3.6 states:
Urgency Action
Each Director is authorised to act on behalf of the Executive or the Council (after consultation, if practicable with the relevant Executive Councillor or, in respect of non-executive functions, the relevant Chair or, in either case, the Chief Executive) in relation to matters within his/her area(s) of responsibility in cases of urgency or emergency. Any such action to be reported as soon

as possible to the relevant Executive Councillor and Scrutiny Committee or, for non-executive functions, the relevant committee or sub-committee.

In exercising this power, a Director shall either consult:

- members, in which case the Executive Councillor (in respect of executive functions) or the Chair (in respect of regulatory functions) and, so far as practical in the time available, spokesperson(s); or
- the Chief Executive (if available) before taking action.

If only the Chief Executive is consulted, the Director shall, as soon as possible after taking the action in question, inform the Executive Councillor, Chair and spokesperson(s) of what has happened. (This shall be in addition to reporting the action taken to the next meeting of the relevant committee or sub-committee)."



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