

DEPARTMENT OF GROWTH & PROSPERITY

ORIGINATING SECTION: Planning

REPORT TO: 15th September 2016 Planning & Highways Committee.

TITLE: Petition regarding Full Planning Application 10/15/0791 for change of use to create car valet centre with associated ground works and siting of 2no portacabins - at Land adjoining No.5 Limefield, Preston New Road, Blackburn, BB2 6BT

Applicant: Mr Zarif Mohammed

Ward: Corporation Park

Councillor Arshid Mahmood	
Councillor Tasleem Fazal	
Councillor John Wright	

1.0 **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 To inform Members of the receipt of two petitions objecting to planning application 10/15/0791. Copies of the petitions are available in Democratic Services.

2.0 **BACKGROUND AND DETAILS**

- 2.1 Planning application reference 10/15/0791 was submitted to the Planning Authority on 2nd July 2015. The application seeks consent for a change of use to create a car valet centre with associated ground works and the siting of 2no portacabins
- 2.2 Public consultation letters were issued on the 14th July 2015 and objections to the proposal were received, including a petition containing 38 signatories. Details of that petition were reported at the August 2015 meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee.
- 2.3 Amended plans were received 4th February 2016 and a further round of consultation undertaken on the 10th February 2016. Two further objections were received; one in support and the other in objection to the scheme. Details were reported at the March 2016 meeting of the Committee.
- 2.4 Further amended plans have been received on the 29th July 2016. Following public consultation the Council has received two petitions objecting to the scheme. The petitions contained 38 and 41 signatories

respectively, though Members may wish to note that a number of individuals had signed both documents.

2.5 The reasons for objection are common to both petitions and are as follows;

- Traffic congestion on Lancaster Place, already a very busy road with no spare capacity for resident parking
- Not in keeping with residential family orientated housing in neighbourhood
- Customers will have to exit on to Lancaster place, which is one-way and drive all the way round a residential street with children playing on the streets etc causing a hazard
- Extra traffic and pollution detrimental to all local residents, accident blackspot.

2.6 The application remains under assessment and will be dealt with in accordance with the Council's scheme of delegation.

3.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

3.1 It is recommended that the Committee note the petitions, that the issues raised inform the assessment of the proposal and that the lead petitioners be informed of the decision once made.

4.0 **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

4.1 None

5.0 **CONTACT OFFICER** – Martin Kenny (tel: 585639)

6.0 **DATE PREPARED** – 17th August 2016