

## **DEPARTMENT OF GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT**

**ORIGINATING SECTION:** Planning  
**REPORT TO:** Planning & Highways Committee  
**TITLE:** Petition regarding Full Planning Application for the Change of Use from HGV yard and garage to PHG Contracting Yard with associated workshop/store building and offices (Sui-Generis)

**AT:** HGV Garage to the rear of Perseverance Mill

Olive Lane

Darwen

BB3 3DQ

**Application Reference:** 10/19/1229

**Applicant:** PHG Contracting Limited

**Ward:** Darwen East

**Councillors:**

Councillor Paul Brown

Councillor Jane Oates

Councillor Roy Davies

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### 1.0 **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 To inform Members of the receipt of the petition received relating to the above planning application.

### 2.0 **BACKGROUND AND DETAILS**

2.1 A planning application for the above development was received on 30 December 2019 and was registered on the 05 February 2020.

2.2 One petition containing 19 names and addresses against the proposal was received on 25 February 2020. The reasons against the proposal are given as follows:

2.3.1 Reasons:

- Highway safety concerns as a result of the increase the volume of traffic going to and from the site in a primarily residential area;
- The affected highway is heavily used by children walking to and from school, using the nursery, the Sure Start Centre and a play area;

- The increased traffic from the site and using the local shop will cause an increased risk to highway safety/ pedestrian safety;
- The proposals activity and increase in traffic will cause pollution
- The proposals activity and increase in traffic will create additional noise during anti-social hours affecting quality of life

2.4 At the time of the Petition Report being prepared, no decision on the application had been reached. Officers have requested additional information from the applicant relating to highway safety (parking and manoeuvrability within the site), and the application is thus still under consideration.

### 3.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

3.1 It is recommended that the Committee note the petition.

### 4.0 **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

4.1 Planning application 10/19/1229 contains details of the application and can be viewed at:

<https://planning.blackburn.gov.uk/Northgate/PlanningExplorer/Generic/StdResults.aspx?PT=Planning%20Applications%20On-Line&SC=Application%20Number%20is%2010/19/1229&FT=Planning%20Application%20Search%20Results&XMLSIDE=/Northgate/PlanningExplorer/SiteFiles/Skins/Blackburn/Menus/PL.xml&XSLTemplate=/Northgate/PlanningExplorer/SiteFiles/Skins/Blackburn/xslt/PL/PLResults.xslt&PS=10&XMLLoc=/Northgate/PlanningExplorer/Generic/XMLtemp/ilbu5emzvtvne424xyeh5ulh3/830b3686-a9fb-4cd2-a32a-e29e8f9ec368.xml>

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6.0 **DATE PREPARED** – 05 June 2020