DEPARTMENT OF GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

ORIGINATING SECTION: Planning

Councillor: Quesir Mahmood Councillor: Sabahat Imtiaz Councillor: Dave Harling

1.0 **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To inform Members of the receipt of a petition supporting a current Section 73 application relating to the removal of condition No.6 "There shall be no external amplified call to prayer from the premises". pursuant to planning application 10/21/0628 'Retrospective planning application for two storey detached Islamic Education Centre' The application premises is the New Mosque Building, Land at rear of Whitehead Street & Foxhouse Street, Blackburn
- 1.2 The application is submitted by The Committee Secretary.

2.0 BACKGROUND AND DETAILS

- 2.1 The planning application (Ref: 10/23/0482) was received by the Council on 5th June 2023, and was subsequently validated on 4th August 2023. 124 notification letters were sent to the occupants and residents of the closest adjacent properties. The statutory 21 day consultation period expired on 26th August 2023 for those letters. A site notice was also displayed outside of the site on 10th August 2023, which expired on 4th September 2023.
- 2.2 One public objection has been received so far. The objection raised predominantly relates to the potential for adverse noise impacts to be caused by the proposed development.

2.3 The petition was received by the Council on 1st August 2023 as part of a Planning Statement, which has been prepared by Urban Future Planning Consultancy. The petition supports the application yet no reasoning is provided by the signatories. Sheets containing 163 signatures have been received. The petition is attached to this report. Members are advised in the supporting Planning Statement at paragraph 4.3. it states:

"....the applicant has confirmed there is solid, widespread local support for the installation of an amplified call for prayer (Azan/Adhan) following on from a number of high-profile examples of the Azan/Adhan being sounded across the UK."

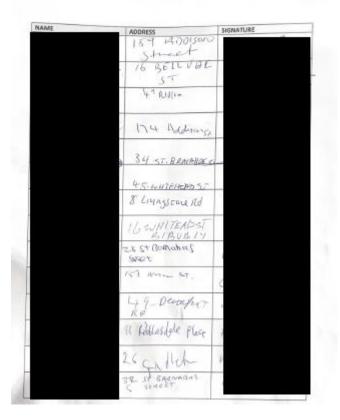
- 2.4 Members are advised that assessment of the planning application is ongoing. All material issues that must be considered in the decision-making process will be addressed during the course of the application.
- 2.5 Once finalised, the Officer Report will be forwarded to the Committee Chairman to clarify whether or not the application should be referred to Planning and Highways Committee for determination. The agreed deadline expires on 23rd October 2023.

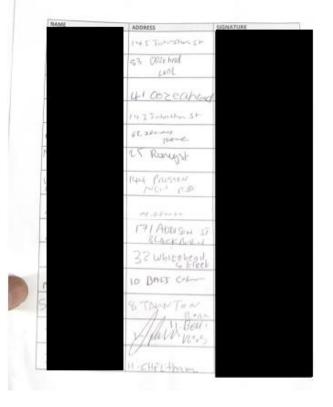
3.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

3.1 That the petition be noted by Members and that the lead petitioner be informed of any decision taken, including the outcome of the application.

4.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 4.1 The petition subject of this report, including signatures and comments.
- 4.2 Planning application 10/23/0482.
- 5.0 **<u>CONTACT OFFICER</u>**: Christian Barton, Planning Officer, Development Management.
- 6.0 **DATE PREPARED**: 2nd October 2023



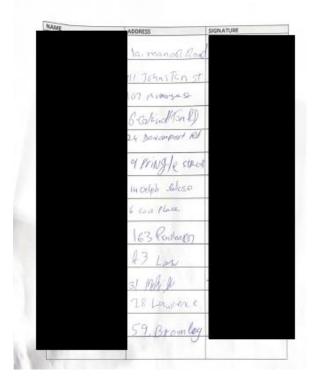


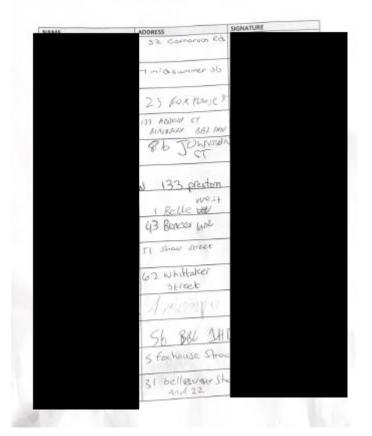
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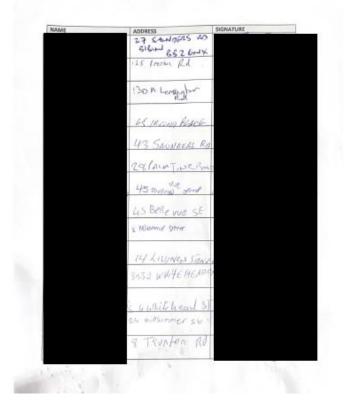
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