9 WHITFIELD MASTERPLAN - ABERLADY DRAFT SITE DEVELOPMENT BRIEF (AN350-2005) (AN350-2005)

Reference is made to Article XII of the minute of meeting of this Committee of 20th June, 2005, when it was agreed that the Committee:

- (a) Approve the Draft Site Planning Brief for purposes of consultation;
- (b) Remit the Director of Planning and Transportation to consult with the local community and interested parties on the terms and content of the Draft Site Planning Brief;
- (c) Remit the Director of Planning and Transportation to report back on the results of the consultation exercise.

In cooperation with the Communities and Housing Departments, a consultation event was held at Kellyfield Post Office using the Council display caravan. Approximately 50 residents attended and viewed copies of the brief and notional layout. Opportunity was provided to make comments. Most residents were in favour of the housing proposal. A significant number would only support housing provided by the private sector. There was mixed reaction to the proposed small commercial provision. Whilst most saw this as an attraction to loitering youths and other anti social behaviour, others saw the need for some community facility and others saw a need in the longer term for some modest provision of commercial facility.

Given the dynamics of change in the area which is likely to impact on youth behaviour and demand for commercial facilities, it is recommended that the site be retained for future community use but specific reference to café/restaurant be deleted.

It is therefore recommended that the above comments are noted and that the Draft Brief be approved as supplementary planning guidance to the Dundee Local Plan Review 2005 and as a material consideration in the determination of planning applications for the site.