REPRESENTATION TO BRAINTREE DISTRICT COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE - 7TH JULY 2020

APPLICATION NO. 20/00146/FUL

As you are aware, the Chairman of Witham Town Council Planning Applications & Transport Committee, using his delegated powers, reviewed the revised plans under the above-referenced application and, after due deliberation, was of the opinion that the said revised plan to build one dwelling instead of two dwellings does not resolve any of the issues raised under the original plans.

While noting the reduction in the number of proposed dwellings, the single bungalow remains, nevertheless, on an identical footprint in close proximity to existing properties.

Furthermore, the issue of poor, or even restricted, ingress and egress to the property from a major thoroughfare has not been addressed by the revised plans.

Thus, in confirmation of its written representation dated 8th June 2020, Witham Town Council maintains its recommendation to **REFUSE** this application on the following grounds:-

- 1) Over-massing of the site within a Conservation Area;
- 2) Poor ingress and egress on a major and busy thoroughfare which is the main artery through the town and serves a number of bus services.

The above recommendation is made after consideration of Policy No. RLP2 contained within the Local Development Framework.

Witham Town Council further maintains that should the Planning Authority be minded to grant this application, contrary to the above recommendation, any trees removed from the site for its development must be replaced in liaison with the Planning Authority's Landscape Services.

Cllr John Goodman
Chairman
Planning Applications & Transport Committee
Witham Town Council

4th July 2020