

APPENDICES

NORTH DUDLEY AREA COMMITTEE

DATE: 4TH FEBRUARY 2004

REQUEST TO PURCHASE LAND

LOCATION: ADJACENT TO 6/6A OLD END LANE, COSELEY

(As shown on the plan attached)

BACKGROUND

An application has been received from an applicant who lives in Ward Street, Coseley to purchase an area of land in Old End Lane, which is controlled by the Housing Department

The land is adjacent to a Housing controlled garage site and is a rough overgrown area with shrubs and trees. The applicant requires the land in order to provide secure parking for his touring caravan.

COMMENTS

The relevant Council Directorates have been consulted and the Directorate of Housing and the Directorate of Law and Property are not in favour of the sale of this land as they consider that the land should be retained in council ownership for estate management purposes in case the adjacent garage site become vacant, when the whole area could be redeveloped. Any disposal of part of this land could therefore prejudice the future of the whole site.

They have no objections however to a short term lease of part of the site for the parking of a caravan only, subject to any planning consent being obtained and subject to suitable fencing, security and insurance being provided by the applicant.

PROPOSAL

That the application to purchase land adjacent to 6/6A Old End Lane, Coseley be refused but that the applicant be offered a short term lease of a part of the site in order to store one touring caravan only, subject to any planning consents being granted and on terms and conditions to be negotiated and agreed by the Director of Law and Property.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Letter(s) from the applicant.
2. E-mails and memos from the Council Directorates.

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