

**NORTH DUDLEY AREA COMMITTEE**

**DATE: 23 OCTOBER 2003**

**REQUEST TO PURCHASE LAND**

**LOCATION: ADJACENT TO 25 MARLBOROUGH ROAD,  
WOODSETTON**

**(As shown on the plan attached)**

**BACKGROUND**

An application has been received from the owner of 25 Marlborough Road, Woodsetton, a former Council house purchased under the right to buy, to purchase an area of land adjacent to the property which is controlled by the Housing Department. The land is required to create a driveway approached from the service road at the rear of the property enabling the applicant to park his vehicle and classic car securely within his boundary.

The applicant also states this will free valuable parking spaces in the street for other residents and visitors. The land is approximately 3.1 metres wide and the applicant states that he will move the existing wall to the new boundary.

**COMMENTS**

The relevant Council Directorates have been consulted regarding the application and no objections have been received to the sale of land subject to planning consent for change of use being granted to the applicant and that limits are placed on the height of any walls or fences.

The Housing Department normally have a policy of not disposing of corner plots on housing estates, but in this case they consider the disposal of the land will not have a detrimental effect on the visual amenity space.

**If the land is sold to the applicant it will be sold with a covenant restricting the use of the land to that of garden and driveway purposes only.**

## **PROPOSAL**

**That the Area Committee recommend that the land be sold to the applicant for garden and driveway purposes only, subject to planning consent for change of use on terms and conditions to be negotiated and agreed by the Director of Law and Property.**

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 1. Letter from applicant dated 15 May 2003.**
- 2. E-mails and memos from the Directorate of Urban Environment 23 July 2003, 28 July 2003 and 4 July 2003.**
- 3. E-mails and memos from the Directorate of Housing 8 August 2003.**

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