

## APPENDICES

### BRIERLEY HILL AREA COMMITTEE

DATE: 7<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2004

### APPLICATION TO PURCHASE LAND ADJACENT TO

LOCATION: 34A BROMLEY, BRIERLEY HILL

(As shown on the plan attached)

### BACKGROUND

An application has been received from the owner of 34A Bromley, Brierley Hill, a privately owned property, to purchase an area of Council owned land, as marked on the attached plan.

The land is controlled by the Directorate of Housing and forms a grassed area adjacent to the property at the corner of The Nook and Bromley.

The applicant requires the land in order to enlarge the existing garden of the property as it is rather small.

### COMMENTS

The relevant Council Directorates have been consulted regarding the application and the Directorate of the Urban Environment object to the disposal of the land as it is designated public highway verge. The land should therefore be retained, as any sale would be detrimental to highway safety due to loss of visibility at the junction of Bromley and The Nook.

In order to dispose of highway verge, a stopping up order would have to be made, the cost of which would have to be met by the applicant and would amount to approx £1500. The Directorate however, would not support a stopping up order on this land.

The Directorate of Law and Property are not in favour of the disposal, as it forms an area of land that acts as a visibility splay for vehicles turning into The Nook

### PROPOSAL

That the Area Committee advise the Lead Member for Housing to refuse the application.

### BACKGROUND PAPERS

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

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