

Report of Visiting Team
Monday, 27 September at 10.00 am

PRESENT

Councillor Andy Sorton (Lead Councillor); Councillors Anna Charles-Jones, Stuart Corris, Graham Greenhalgh, Wendy Meikle, John Taylor and John Wright

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

2. SITE VISIT

Councillors visited the following sites and made a recommendation for consideration by the Planning & Highways Regulation Committee. Councillors were requested to refer to the plans list for a full report on the applications and details of objections and observations received. The Visiting Team recommendation was made without prejudice to the formal consideration of the application by the Committee.

- (i) DC079225 - Weir Mill, King Street West, Stockport, SK3 0DT (Full Application) and DC079226 - Weir Mill, King Street West, Stockport, SK3 0DT (Listed Building Consent)

Redevelopment comprising the repurposing of existing buildings and erection of new buildings for a mix of uses comprising 253no, residential homes alongside flexible commercial space (Use Class E), drinking establishments (Sui Generis Use), and hot food takeaways (Sui Generis Use); partial demolition, new public realm, vehicular access, car parking and cycle parking, and associated works.

Members conducted a thorough site visit which included entering a number of the buildings where it was safe and appropriate to do so and obtaining an appreciation of the impact of the development on the listed assets. Members also viewed the site from within and outside the curtilage of the proposed development to gain an understanding of its setting and the siting and scale of the new buildings that would be constructed. Members noted the impact of the development on the heritage assets including the viaduct and those elements of the mill building that were proposed to be demolished. Further comments were made in relation to the parking provision within the site and the lack of provision of affordable housing.

RECOMMENDED – No recommendation was made

Visit ended at 11.40 am.