Supplementary Information

The following information was verbally reported to the Planning Committee at its meeting on 5th January 2016

Agenda Item 6 15/01009/FUL

Application Nos. 15/01004/FUL and

The Hawthorns, Keele and Keele Campus, University of Keele.

Members' attention is drawn to the publication today of the agenda for the 13th January Planning Policy Planning Committee which includes a report on a mid-year Update to the 5 year housing land supply Statement, and the Statement itself. The report notes that the Statement concludes as follows:-

- That there is an indicative land supply in the Borough of 3.97 years at the lower end of what is termed the housing need range, and 1.90 years at the upper end of the housing need range;
- That the Council's housing supply policies cannot be considered up to date;
- That this means housing applications should continue to be considered in the context of the presumption in favour of sustainable development and with respect to such sustainable development granting planning permission unless any adverse impacts from doing so would significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits, when assessed against the policies in the Framework taken as a whole, or specific policies in the Framework indicate development should be restricted; and
- That in undertaking this weighing up exercise an even greater weight will at least for the immediate future have to be given to the contribution a site makes to housing land supply

The update Statement is a further consideration in support of a grant of planning permission in this case.

The recommendation remains as indicated in the Supplementary report published on the 24th December