SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

23rd May 2017

Agenda item 4

Application ref. 16/01101/FUL

Land off Meadow Way, Baldwin's Gate

Baldwin's Gate Action Group Number 2 has submitted a representation arguing the merits of the Committee making a 'special case' site visit in respect of this particular application. A summary of their comments is as follows:

- Members are encouraged to experience at first hand the nature, characteristics and heritage of this environmentally fragile and bio-diverse landscape.
- Members will have the opportunity to fully appreciate the challenges of the site access and hazards posed to the local residential community and the Primary School resulting from increased traffic flows.
- Members should also be able to readily understand issues connected with drainage, sewerage and flooding.
- This is no ordinary green field bordering a rural village and leading environmental authorities have all recognised the ecologically rare nature of Chorlton Moss and the surrounding peatlands. There is no substitute for seeing at first hand this site of significant ecological importance.
- Members are urged to accept the recommendation to make a site visit prior to considering the planning application in detail.

Your Officer's recommendation remains as per the agenda report.