

site specific policy and guidance from the Mayor of London and the London Borough of Barnet. For this reason, given that there is an existing planning brief for the site, preparation of a new planning brief is recommended. This will be in addition to and ahead of the pre-application discussions. The planning brief will enable consultees, the public and Barnet to feed strategically in to the redevelopment of the site. Recognising the considerable work involved in preparing, consulting and adopting a planning brief, as well as pre-application discussions for a site of such a size and complexity as NLBP, the council has sought a planning performance agreement to agree a joined up approach and to cover its costs. This report is necessary to endorse the council entering into this PPA.

2. REASONS FOR DECISIONS

2.1 The Council is seeking to take a pro-active approach and facilitate development in accordance with the NPPF whilst providing an opportunity for the public and stakeholders to engage in development of this site.

2.2 A draft PPA has been agreed and is ready for signing. The London Borough of Barnet requires that all agreements, including PPAs, are sealed by the Council. This report is therefore needed to give the necessary authority for the Council to enter into the PPA and for the agreement to be sealed.

2.3 If the Council does not enter into the PPA there is a risk that it would not be able to provide sufficient dedicated resources to engage with the developer and deal with the range of issues associated with the redevelopment of a significant site in a timely manner which could lead to delays in delivery of the development. This would be problematic for the school St Andrew the Apostle Greek Orthodox School of the Russell Education Trust which has tight programme and funding timescales to meet its expansion plans to accommodate predicted student numbers. For these reasons it is considered necessary to enter a PPA in this instance.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

Enabling Board / Delivery Board	n/a	n/a
Commissioning and Policy	n/a	n/a
Equalities & Diversity	n/a	n/a
HR Business Partner	n/a	n/a
Strategic Procurement	n/a	n/a
HB Public Law	18.05.15	Elaine Bell
Finance	21.05.15	Richard Playle
Governance	13.05.15	Paul Frost

