Item No:	Classification: OPEN	Date: October 2003	Meeting Name: EXECUTIVE
Report Title:		Call-In: Appropriation for planning purposes of the Council owned section of Potter's Field former coach site	
Ward(s) or Group affected:		Riverside	
From:		Strategic Director Regeneration	

#### RECOMMENDATION

1. That in the light of the recommendations from Overview and Scrutiny the Executive receive a further report as soon as possible including any necessary views from the Chief Financial Offer and assessments of any potential financial consequences of the decision to appropriate the Potters Field land and any legal challenge to that decision.

### **BACKGROUND**

- 2. The decisions taken by the Executive on 9 September regarding Potters Field was called in by Scrutiny and considered at a meeting on 25 September. Their conclusions are set out in a separate report.
- 3. They recommended that the Executive reviews its decision and consider other procedural issues. This report deals only with the Potters Field decision itself.
- 4. Officers stressed at the call in that the specific decision being sought was limited in scope and that the consequences alleged by Masons on behalf of Berkleys Homes arose only from the ultimate decisions on the use of the site.
- 5. However given the views expressed by Overview and Scrutiny I recommend that the Executive should receive a further report dealing with those issues so far as is relevant. The report will also deal explicitly with the risk of legal challenge to the decision. In doing so we will seek further clarification from Masons of the grounds for any such challenge.

#### **LEGAL & FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

6. There are no specific legal implications arising from the consideration of this report. Preparation of a report containing the detailed further information recommended by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has not been possible in the intervening period. Officers will ensure that the further report is brought forward at the earliest possible date.

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# **APPENDIX A**

## **Audit Trail**

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Key Decision?							
CONSULTATION WITH OTHER OFFICERS / DIRECTORATES / EXECUTIVE							
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Officer	<sup>·</sup> Title	Comments Sought	Comments included				
Chief Officer		Yes	Yes				
<b>Executive Member</b>		No	No				
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