

**Briefing Paper to Wyke Area Committee**

16 September 2020

**Wards:** Avenues, Bricknell,  
Central

**Referrals Report**

**Briefing Paper of the of Committee and Scrutiny Manager**

1. Purpose of the Paper and Summary

This briefing papers sets out referrals which have been made to Wyke Area Committee from the Pearson Park Trust and proposes how they may be progressed.

2. Background

Referrals that are made to Wyke Area Committee from other committees and commissions do not always require a decision, they can be for information, require further work to be undertaken followed by a further report to the Committee or can be dealt with by officers.

3. Issues for Consideration

<u>Referral from</u>	<u>Details of Referral</u>	<u>Proposed action</u>
Pearson Park Trust	<p>At their meeting on 15th July 2020, the Pearson Park Trust discussed a number of ongoing issues in relation to Pearson Avenue. The Trustees' attention was drawn to the relevant excerpt of the Conservation Area Character Appraisal (as attached), and it was reiterated that, whilst property in the area remained highly sought after and attracted a sizeable rental income, a number of properties had undergone physical alterations which were unsympathetic to the character of the buildings and had not adhered to the principles of a conservation area.</p> <p><b>Agreed:</b></p> <p>That the Trustees refer their concerns to the Wyke Area Committee to seek their support for further action to be taken against premises in Pearson Avenue, which have not been maintained in accordance with the principles of the conservation area, to include:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. the reinstatement of the entrance porch, stone arch, fascia board and window above the front door at no. 11 Pearson Avenue;</li> <li>ii. the reinstatement of the front entrance porch to no. 14 Pearson Avenue; and</li> <li>iii. action to address the steel steps which have replace the original stonework steps to the frontage of no. 17 Pearson Avenue.</li> </ul> <p>Following this meeting, further advice was sought from the Principal Conservation Officer and we are advised that reinstatement cannot be required by formal Notice on the grounds that the alterations were undertaken over 10 years ago and they are now immune from planning</p>	That the Wyke Area Committee considers the referral and provides further direction, as required.

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4. Next steps

As set out in the last column of the table above.

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Officer Interests: None

Background Documents: - Pearson Park Conservation Area Character Appraisal

