

# Agenda

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## **Additional Meeting West Area Planning Committee**

Date: **Wednesday 24 September 2014**

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Time: **6.30 pm**

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Place: **Long Room - Town Hall**

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# West Area Planning Committee

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The Head of City Development has submitted a report which details a retrospective planning application for the erection of a garden outbuilding.

**Officer recommendation:** That the Committee confirm that planning permission would have been granted had the Committee previously determined the planning application.

## **DECLARING INTERESTS**

### **General duty**

You must declare any disclosable pecuniary interests when the meeting reaches the item on the agenda headed "Declarations of Interest" or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.

### **What is a disclosable pecuniary interest?**

Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to your\* employment; sponsorship (ie payment for expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a councillor or towards your election expenses); contracts; land in the Council's area; licences for land in the Council's area; corporate tenancies; and securities. These declarations must be recorded in each councillor's Register of Interests which is publicly available on the Council's website.

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