

**P104. FORMATION OF A MULTI USE GAMES AREA COURT (MUGA COURT) AT DUNCAN STEWART PARK, HIGH STREET, BONNYBRIDGE FOR FALKIRK COUNCIL - P/13/0419/FUL (CONTINUATION)**

With reference to Minute of Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 30 October 2013 (Paragraph P96 refers), Committee (a) gave further consideration to a report by the Director of Development Services, and (b) considered an additional report by the said Director on an application for full planning permission for the formation of a multi use games area court (MUGA Court) at Duncan Stewart Park, High Street, Bonnybridge.

With the consent of the meeting, a representative from the applicant, who was present as an observer at the meeting responded to Members questions.

Baillie Buchanan, seconded by Councillor Nicol, moved that the application be refused on the grounds that the proposal was contrary to Falkirk Council Local Plan Policy EQ5 'Design and Community Safety' and that the development proposal would not create a safe and secure environment nor benefit from a high level of natural surveillance. Baillie Buchanan suggested that the applicant should consider alternative locations for the MUGA Court.

By way of an amendment, Councillor Turner, seconded by Councillor Carleschi, moved that the application be continued to allow officers to explore alternative sites for the location of the pitch.

On a division, 5 Members voted for the motion and 3 for the amendment.

**Decision**

**The Committee agreed to refuse planning permission on the grounds that the proposal was considered to be contrary to Falkirk Council Local Plan Policy EQ5 'Design and Community Safety' and it was also not considered that the development proposal would create a safe and secure environment nor benefit from a high level of natural surveillance.**