P74. DEVELOPMENT OF LAND FOR RESIDENTIAL USE WITH ASSOCIATED CAR PARKING, SERVICING, LANDSCAPING AND ACCESS AT FIRS PARK, FIRS STREET, FALKIRK FK2 7AY FOR EAST STIRLINGSHIRE FC – P/13/0234/PPP (CONTINUATION)

With reference to Minute of Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 10 September 2014 (Paragraph P57 refers), Committee gave (a) 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 development of land for residential use with associated car parking, servicing, landscaping and access at Firs Park, Firs Street, Falkirk.

Councillor Meiklejohn, seconded by Councillor Chalmers, moved rejection of the application on the ground that it was contrary to the Falkirk Council Local Plan (specifically opportunity ED. FAL05) and that the material considerations did not justify a departure from the Plan.

By way of amendment, Councillor Martin, seconded by Councillor McLuckie, moved that Committee be minded to grant the application in accordance with the recommendations in the report. Following a suggestion from Councillor Mahoney, supported by Councillor Turner, that consideration of the application be continued for further information, the motion and amendment were withdrawn with the unanimous consent of those present at the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 20.9.

Decision

The Committee agreed to continue consideration of this item of business in order for further information to be provided by the applicant on the applicant's efforts (i) to market the site for retail/leisure/business use; and (ii) to secure access to the site by way of the retail park.