# OLD SHIP LANE TOILETS – FIRST RESOLUTION – APPROVAL TO DEMOLISH AND DEVELOP CAR PARK

#### 1 SUMMARY

1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek Members' agreement to apply for planning permission to demolish the toilets at Old Ship Lane and redevelop the site for additional car parking.

#### 2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 At the Finance & Procedures Overview and Scrutiny Committee of 22 July 2003 (min.355/03), Members recommended to Full Council that the public conveniences at Old Ship Lane be demolished and be redeveloped as pay and display parking. This recommendation was confirmed by Full Council on 29 July 2003.
- 2.2 The toilets and car park fall within the Rochford Conservation Area and therefore any works require formal conservation approval before being carried out. An application for the layout of the car park will also be required.
- 2.3 It should be noted that there is a requirement for the application for Conservation Area Consent to be referred to the Secretary of State for determination.

#### 4 RISK IMPLICATIONS

#### 4.1 Reputation Risk

In carrying out the proposed demolition and extension to the car park, the Council must be seen to be adhering to all necessary permissions to ensure that proper consultation is carried out.

#### 5 RECOMMENDATION

### 5.1 It is proposed that the Committee **RESOLVES**

(1) To agree first resolution approval for officers to apply for Conservation Area Consent to demolish the public conveniences in Old Ship Lane and planning consent to redevelop the site for additional car parking.

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## **Background Papers:**

None

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