REPORT TO:

DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

AGENDA ITEM:

DATE OF MEETING: 24th July 2001

CATEGORY: DELEGATED

REPORT FROM:

Deputy Chief Executive

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MEMBERS'

CONTACT POINT:

RAFE SHIRLEY (EXT. 5750)

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SUBJECT:

Untidy condition of land and dwelling at

167 Oversetts Road, Newhall

REF: RMS/E/2001/3

WARD AFFECTED: Newhall

Purpose of Report 1.0

To obtain the instructions of the Development Control Committee. 1.1

2.0 Content

- 2.1 Following a complaint forwarded by the Environmental Health Department, site inspections were carried at the above location.
- 2.2 The property consists of the northernmost of a terrace of three houses with lengthy rear gardens.
- 2.3 The rear of the house was found to be insecure and the rear yard and part of the garden was badly affected by an accumulation of domestic rubbish including an old cooker. The remainder of the garden area was also badly affected by overgrown grass and weed.
- 2.4 The owner has been contacted but has taken no action to improve the appearance of the property.
- A plan of the site, which is approximately 310 square metres in area, is attached at Annexe A. 2.5

3.0 **Financial Implications**

3.1 None at present.

4.0 **Conclusions**

- 4.1 The condition of the site has a materially adverse effect on the amenities of surrounding properties.
- 4.2 It is open to the Sub-Committee to authorise the service of a Notice under Section 215 of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990 to secure an improvement in the condition of the land.

5.0 Recommendation

- 5.1 That the Sub-Committee authorise the service of a Notice under Section 215 of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990 requiring the following steps to be taken:
 - 1. The domestic and all other rubbish including the old cooker to be removed from the land.
 - 2. The overgrown grass and weed to be cut and removed from the rear garden.
 - 3. The land to be maintained in a tidy condition.
- 5.2 A compliance period of 28 days from the Notice taking effect is viewed as appropriate.

6.0 Background Papers

6.1 Enforcement File E/2001/3.