REPORT TO:

DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

AGENDA ITEM:

DATE OF MEETING: 24th July 2001

REPORT FROM:

Deputy Chief Executive

MEMBERS' **CONTACT POINT:**

RAFE SHIRLEY (EXT. 5750)

PARAGRAPH NO. N/A

CATEGORY: DELEGATED

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SUBJECT:

Untidy condition of front garden of 45 Nelson Street,

Swadlincote

REF: RMS/E2000/527

WARD AFFECTED: Swadlincote

1.0 **Purpose of Report**

To obtain the instructions of the Development Control Sub-Committee. 1.1

2.0 Content

- 2.1 Following a complaint from an elected member, site inspections were carried out at the above property which is a former Council-owned dwelling.
- 2.2 An old bed and mattress were found to be in evidence in the front garden.
- 2.3 The occupier has been contacted but has taken no action to remove the items.
- 2.4 A plan of the site, which is approximately 280 square metres in area, is attached at Annexe A.

3.0 **Financial Implications**

3.1 None at present

4.0 **Conclusions**

- 4.1 The bed and mattress are relatively prominent in the front garden of the dwelling and their appearance has a materially adverse effect on amenity.
- 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 appearance 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 requiring that the following steps be carried out:
 - 1. The bed and mattress, together with any other domestic rubbish, be removed from the front garden and appropriately disposed of at an authorised waste disposal facility.
 - The land to be maintained in a tidy condition.

6.0 Background Papers

6.1 Enforcement File E/2000/527