APPENDIX 1 TOWN CENTRE PROJECT PANEL

4 APRIL 2006

Chair: * Councillor Burchell

Councillors: * D Ashton * O'Dell * C Mote * N Shah

[Note: Councillor Bill Stephenson and Councillor Mrinal Choudhury also attended this meeting to speak on the item indicated at Minutes 76 and 77 below].

PART I - RECOMMENDATIONS

<u>RECOMMENDATION 1 - Harrow on the Hill Station, Progress with Development Partners</u>

Your Panel received a report of the Director of Strategic Planning asking Members to extend the period of negotiations with developers for a further 3 months. In addition, developers made a presentation on their proposals for the Harrow on the Hill site in line with the Council's agreed Planning Brief.

The Director of Strategic Planning informed Members that revitalising the transport link interchange and the Town Centre was necessary in order to maintain and improve the position of the Town Centre. He went on further to explain that the presentations were 'work in progress' and further time was needed to develop them. He suggested a 3 month extension in order to finalise proposals prior to taking a final decision.

A Member endorsed and welcomed the work carried out so far.

Resolved to RECOMMEND: (to Cabinet)

That work with the developers for a further 3 months prior to considering entering into an exclusivity agreement be approved.

[Reason: To provide more time to bring forward proposals for the comprehensive development of the Harrow on the Hill site consistent with the adopted planning brief.]

^{*} Denotes Member present