

# **Report to the Cabinet**

**Report reference: C/026/2006-07.**

**Date of meeting: 10 July 2006.**



**Epping Forest  
District Council**

**Portfolio: Planning & Economic Development.**

**Subject: Broadway Town Centre Enhancement – Garages in Vere Road.**

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## **Decisions Required:**

**To consider the demolition of garages in Vere Road, following a verbal report on the views of the Broadway Focus Group from its meeting held on 5 July 2006.**

## **Report:**

1. At the meeting of Cabinet in June 2006 it was resolved to request the Broadway Focus Group to comment upon the decision of the Cabinet in February 2006 to demolish 2 of the 3 garage blocks in Vere Road as part of the town centre enhancement scheme.
2. Unfortunately it has taken some time to be able to convene the Focus Group meeting, which was held 5 July 2006. It is important that Cabinet makes a final decision regarding the garages at this meeting since otherwise the proposed construction programme is at risk of being delayed.
3. A verbal report on the deliberations of the Focus Group will be given at the meeting.

## **Statement in Support of Recommended Action:**

4. If there is a delay in making this decision the programme for the enhancement scheme is at significant risk of slipping. At the present it is intended to undertake the works to the car parking areas in this calendar year, moving on then to the Broadway itself in 2007; hence the need for a decision on the garage clearance at this time.

## **Other Options for Action:**

5. The only option is to defer consideration of the Focus Group's conclusions until the meeting of Cabinet in early September.

## **Consultation undertaken:**

6. Broadway Focus Group and Gabriel Contractors

## **Resource implications:**

**Budget provision:** Within budget for the Broadway Enhancement scheme.

**Personnel:** Nil.

**Land:** Enhancement of Loughton Broadway.

**Community Plan/BVPP reference:** N/A.

**Relevant statutory powers:** None.

**Background papers:** None.

**Environmental/Human Rights Act/Crime and Disorder Act Implications:** N/A.

**Key Decision reference (if required):** N/A.