



**REPORT FROM:** PLANNING, BUILDING CONTROL AND LICENSING SERVICES MANAGER

**TO:** BRIERFIELD & REEDLEY COMMITTEE

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#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

As requested by the Committee with regard to the possibility of adding the site to the Problem Buildings list.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- (1) To note the report and agree the actions for the site set out in the report.

#### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- (1) Members are kept informed of any action taken on problem buildings.

#### **ISSUES**

The site is a former public house which was granted planning permission for conversion into four flats in 2012. This permission has now expired.

The property is an attractive detached stone built building in a prominent location within Brierfield.

A site visit has been made by a Planning Officer and it was noted that the building has been vacant for some time. Many of the ground and first floor windows are broken and some are boarded up.

It appears that there has been a fire internally as some of the first floor windows are gone and the stone surrounds and timber frames are charred.

Given the condition of the building, its vacant state, prominent position and that no works have taken place to improve the appearance of the building the property should be added to the problem buildings list and the owner contacted and requested to carry out improvements and repairs to the building.

A large freestanding timber sign has also been positioned on the site without consent and should be removed.

Details of the owner have been obtained and contact made. Any update will be reported to the meeting.







## IMPLICATIONS

**Policy:** None

**Financial:** None

**Legal:** None arising directly from the report.

**Risk Management:** None arising directly from the report.

**Health and Safety:** None arising directly from the report.

**Sustainability:** None arising directly from the report.

**Community Safety:** None arising directly from the report.

**Equality and Diversity:** None arising directly from the report.