

REPORT FROM: PLANNING, BUILDING CONTROL AND LICENSING SERVICES

MANAGER

TO: COLNE AND DISTRICT COMMITTEE

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Former Launderette, Varley Street, Colne

PURPOSE OF REPORT

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

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the premises are added to the problem buildings list. Further monitoring of the site will be undertaken, whilst contact is made with the owners.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

Members are kept informed of any action taken on problem buildings.

Planning History

None relevant.

Issues

The site is a small single storey building, to the rear of an industrial unit and opposite terraced residential housing. The building was previously used a launderette and then a furniture shop, but is currently empty. It is located within the settlement boundary of Colne, on the junction between Varley Street and Fern Street.

The premises is currently empty, although was last used as a furniture shop.

The property is in need of works to the paintwork and guttering, which if left will deteriorate further, although no discarded rubbish or vandalism was observed on the site.

A Land Registry search is underway to identify the current owners, from which an initial letter will be sent requesting that the premises be tidied up. If this is not successful, serving a Sec. 215 notice on the site may be appropriate.

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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.