5. **DEPUTATIONS**

Proposed Requirement for a Heritage Order Sargood Son and Ewen Building, 92 Lichfield Street

The meeting was addressed by Mr David Henderson, purchaser of the 92 Lichfield Street property, who advised that he was also the owner of the adjoining property at 96 Lichfield Street and that at 102 Lichfield Street.

He outlined details of work which he had carried out at 96 Lichfield Street, and his proposal to demolish the Sargood Son and Ewen Building in order to open up the western side of the 96 Lichfield Street building, to provide it with a better street perspective, as well as making it a more viable proposition.

He referred to an article in The Press regarding a letter sent to him by the Mayor about assurances he was seeking from the Council as to its motives in purchasing the Turners & Growers Site in Madras Street. He stated that he had yet to receive this letter.

A copy of the letter referred to was read to the meeting, setting out the basis of the process to develop the Turners & Growers site.

In response, Mr Henderson requested that the Council provide him with a commitment as to the manner in which it would deal with the development of the Turners & Growers site and stated that in return, he would consider the matter to be at an end, and he would carry out the Lichfield Street development at no cost to the Council.

The Committee **received** the submissions.

(A motion that the Council reiterate its commitment to a fair, open and transparent process if and when it engaged the private sector to develop residential accommodation on the Turners & Growers site was declared lost on a show of hands).