THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (ENGLANDS AND WALES) REGULATIONS 2011

SCREENING OPINION OF OLDHAM METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL IN RESPECT OF THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) (ENGLAND AND WALES) REGULATIONS 2011 – PROPOSED RETAIL LED MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT (INCLUDING FOOD STORE (NET SALES AREA OF 2974SQM, GIA 5543SQM) AND SERVICE YARD, RETAIL AND SERVICE UNITS, A PUBLIC HOUSE, MEDICAL CENTRE AND 384 SPACE CAR PARK.

An application and screening request was received on the 16 February 2012, which sets out the above mentioned proposed development.

It is considered that the proposed development is Schedule 2 development by reason of being an ‘urban development project’ that exceeds 0.5 hectares in area. However, having assessed the criteria in Schedule 3, it suggests the proposal is unlikely to give rise to any significant affects on the environment. Therefore, it is not considered that the proposed development warrants the submission of an EIA as required by the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (England and Wales) Regulations 2011.

Under the provisions of the requisite Regulations, Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council therefore conclude that the proposal would not require and Environmental Impact Assessment.

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