

Date of Committee: 11 July 2018

Application Number and Address:

DC/18/00418/COU
36 Harewood Close
Whickham
NE16 5SZ

Applicant:

Mrs Joanne Lawlor

Proposal:

Change of use from public open space to private garden.

Declarations of Interest:**Name****Nature of Interest**

Councillor Chris McHugh declared a personal interest in the application as the applicant was a family friend and he withdrew from the meeting during consideration of that item.

Personal

List of speakers and details of any additional information submitted:

Mr John Johnson spoke against the application

Mrs Lesley Johnson spoke against the application.

Mr Tom Hearne spoke in favour of the application on behalf of the applicant.

Any additional comments on application/decision:

That permission be REFUSED for the following reason(s)

1. The proposed development would result in an unacceptable loss of public open space. This is contrary to saved policy CFR23 of the Unitary Development Plan, the National Planning Policy Framework and policy CS14 of the Core Strategy and Urban Core Plan.
2. The application site forms an important part of the street scene. Enclosing this area as private garden would have an unacceptable detrimental impact to the amenity of the area. This is contrary to saved policy DC2 of the Unitary Development Plan, policy CS15 of the Core Strategy and Urban Core Plan and the aims and objectives of the National Planning Policy Framework.

