Addendum 2 LA01/2020/1051/F

1.0 Update

- 1.1 A further 23 representations of support have been received. Collectively these raise the following issues:
 - the proposal will rejuvenate the area;
 - attract tourists;
 - improve bowling facilities;
 - attract national and international bowling events;
 - the old building was an eyesore and;
 - there is a need for an event space.
- 1.2 A further 2 representations of objection have been received. Collectively these raise the following issues:
 - the design is not fit for purpose;
 - there is a lack of an urban sports park;
 - specifics regarding the consultation of and involvement with the Causeway Association of Urban Sports in developing the proposals;
 - the change of the scheme from an Urban Sports Area to an Informal Seating and Recreation Area;
 - the ground surface finishes used;
 - insufficient lighting for urban sports;
 - seek an urban sports park at Metropole Park and;
 - a request that the "Informal Seating Corner" is removed from the scheme.

2.0 Consideration

- 2.1 The environmental benefits, improvements to the bowling facilities and the provision of an event space are recognised.
- 2.2 The absence of an urban sports park and whether the overall development is conducive to urban sports is a matter for the applicant to consider. It remains that the proposal is visually acceptable and the existing identified open space is being

protected with the continued use of recreation at the site. Whether an urban sports facility is provided at Metropole Park is not a matter for consideration in the context of this application.

3.0 Recommendation

3.1 That the Committee note the contents of this Addendum, and agree with the recommendation to approve as set out in Section 9 of the Planning Committee Report, subject to the conditions proposed set out in section 10.