

## MEDIA RELEASE 15/07/09 - ASDA and Macdonald Estates Set to Unveil Plans for Wester Gourdie Site

### ASDA AND MACDONALD ESTATES SET TO UNVEIL PLANS FOR WESTER GOURDIE SITE

ASDA and Macdonald Estates have today [15th July 2009] confirmed that they will lodge a planning application for the first phase of the redevelopment of the former NCR site at Wester Gourdie later this month. A Public Exhibition of the plans will be held on Thursday 23rd and Saturday 25th July prior to an application being submitted to Dundee City Council for the development. ASDA is also writing to local residents with information on the proposals. Working with Macdonald Estates, ASDA, recently voted the UK's best value supermarket, is aiming to bring jobs, choice, quality produce, and its famous low prices to the people of west Dundee. The development would deliver: A new ASDA store with a sales area of 52,000 sq ft – similar in size to ASDA's existing store in Milton, East Dundee. Up to 480 new local jobs, with a mixture of full and part-time positions, enabling ASDA's colleagues to balance their work and family commitments. £24 million investment to the area. A petrol filling station, delivering our commitment to low cost fuel. 607 car parking spaces including 25 spaces for disabled customers and 22 for parents with children. 30 cycle racks. A recycling facility. An ASDA café. A full range of ASDA products including George clothing, Extra Special range, ASDA brand and Smart Price. ASDA's low prices and more supermarket choice for local people. The exhibition will include plans of the proposed store and visitors will be encouraged to make their views known at the exhibitions and through the questionnaires being made available. The exhibition will be taking place on: WHEN: Thursday 23rd and Saturday 25th July 2009 WHERE: The Janet Hall, Charleston Community Centre and Library, Craigowan Road, DD2 4SR. TIME: 4.00pm – 8.00 pm (Thursday) and 10.00am – 1.00pm (Saturday) Lisa Rooke, ASDA's Property Communications Manager for Scotland, said: "We are extremely pleased to be bringing forward our plans for a new store in Dundee. We currently have two popular and well-performing stores in the city, and the new store will complement our existing stores and extend our offer to the west of Dundee. Our proposals would deliver a significant investment to this area and generate up to 480 new full and part time jobs for local people. The new store will provide consumers with an improved choice on where to carry out their supermarket shopping, as well as bringing ASDA's quality products and famous low prices to the area. We are also pleased to announce this important public consultation for the plans. ASDA takes public consultation very seriously and we hope that local residents will take the time to come and learn more about our exciting proposals. We value this feedback so that we are able to deliver a supermarket that the area can be proud of." Niall McLean, Development Manager at Macdonald Estates said: "We are very pleased to bring forward our development proposals for the Wester Gourdie site and look forward to delivering this significant investment in Dundee." - ENDS - Notes to Editors 1. About ASDA Last month, ASDA won the Grocer Award for being the lowest priced supermarket for the 12th year running. In addition, ASDA won the Best for Service Award and the Best for Availability Award. 2. About Macdonald Estates Macdonald Estates is a Scotland-based property development and investment company focused on real estate development in a variety of sectors including retail, hotel and leisure, business space, town centre regeneration and masterplan conception and delivery. A detailed and comprehensive list of our projects and history can be found at [www.macdonaldestates.co.uk](http://www.macdonaldestates.co.uk) For further information please contact: Niall McLean – Macdonald Estates: 07967 330 357 Lisa Rooke – ASDA: 07800 623 257