



18 April 2012

Agenda Item:12

REPORT OF CABINET MEMBER FOR FINANCE AND PROPERTY

DISPOSAL OF LAND ADJOINING THE INTERNATIONAL CLOTHING CENTRE, ANNESLEY ROAD, HUCKNAL, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

Purpose of the Report

1. To seek Cabinet approval to the disposal of land Adjoining the International Clothing Centre, Annesley Road, Hucknall.

Information and Advice

- 2. Some information relating to this report is not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. Having regard to the circumstances, on balance the public interest in disclosing the information does not outweigh the reason for exemption because divulging the information would significantly damage the Council's commercial position. The exempt information is set out in the exempt appendix.
 - a. On 21 October 2011 approval was granted to dispose of approx 3.5 acres of land adjoining the International Clothing Centre off Annesley Road. As a condition of this disposal the prospective purchasers were to be granted a right of way over an access road which is currently un-adopted and hatched on the plan. With this arrangement, in the event that any maintenance was required the County Council would have had to undertake the works and then recover the costs from the prospective purchasers. Furthermore, as owner the County Council would also have to address any management issues associated with the road.
 - b. However, since the previous approval was granted, the purchasers have expressed an interest in acquiring the unadopted road (the remaining section of this road which meets Annesley Road, forms part of the adopted Highway). Agreement has now been reached with the prospective purchasers that they will also acquire from the County Council the access road on terms set out in the exempt appendix.
 - c. Acquisition of this is their preferred option as they would be able to retain control of the access road in terms of maintenance and expenditure. The total area of the access road is approx 0.25acres and hatched on the attached plan and the total site area to be disposed of is outlined in red on the attached plan, this is approximately 3.75 acres.

Other Options Considered

3. Not disposing of the access road and granting a right of way, this would not be an option because this would compromise the capital receipt as the purchasers would not proceed.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

4. There is no requirement for the County Council to retain this road and a disposal of it would off load all liabilities both through management and ongoing maintenance and repair issues associated. The proposal would also enable the disposal to proceed.

Statutory and Policy Implications

5. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safequarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That approval is given to the disposal of the land outlined in red on the attached plan and as set out in the exempt paragraph attached to this report.

Luke Smith Property Management Team

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Constitutional Comments (SSR 20-Mar-2012)

This decision may be approved by Cabinet.

Financial Comments (PB 20-Mar-2012)

Any capital receipt will be used to finance the capital programme.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

Ward(s): Hucknall

Member(s): Cllr Mick Murphy, Cllr Reverend Tom Irvine, Cllr Kevin Rostance

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Properties affected: 76011 - Industrial Land at Annesley Road