

9 July 2012**Agenda Item: 7h****REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR
TRANSPORT PROPERTY & ENVIRONMENT****PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS EXPECTED DURING SUMMER RECESS****Purpose of the Report**

1. To advise Committee of transactions expected to take place during the summer recess which would ordinarily require Committee approval at the appropriate time but which, in order to facilitate the business of the Council in a timely manner, may need to be authorised as Delegated Decisions by the Corporate Director, Environment & Resources, prior to the 17 September Committee, in consultation with the Chairman (or Vice Chairman in his absence) of the Finance and Property Committee.

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 Some information relating to this report is not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.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.
3. As part of its strategic planning process for the management and enhancement of the Council's property estate, Property Group has identified a number of ongoing projects which may require approval prior to their completion which is expected to take place during the period of summer recess.
4. In order to clarify which decisions could be taken by this method the anticipated items have been listed in the attached exempt appendix 1 in transaction 'types' and as much detail as is currently available has been included for each item.

Other Options Considered

5. To wait until after summer recess in order to progress these transactions, however as this may lead to loss of income to the authority or lead to the authority not facilitating the service provision of other departments and/or external partners this is not considered a valid option.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

6. To make the Committee aware of forthcoming transactions over the summer recess and, where appropriate, to seek necessary approvals.

Statutory and Policy Implications

7. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding 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

1. That Committee notes the anticipated upcoming transactions.
2. That Committee agrees that the finally agreed terms for the project/transaction should be signed off by the Corporate Director, Environment & Resources in consultation with the Chairman (or Vice Chairman in his absence) of the Finance and Property Committee, if required before the 17 September 2012.

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Constitutional Comments (SSR 28.6.12)

8. The recommendations may be approved by the Finance and Property Committee to the extent that the transactions included in Appendix 1 fall within the financial limits that may be approved by the Financial and Property Committee.

Financial Comments (CDS 15-Jun-2012)

9. The financial implications of the specific anticipated transactions are outlined within the exempt appendix.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

10. Ward(s): All
Member(s): All

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