

20 January 2014**Agenda Item: 9(b)****REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR TRANSPORT, PROPERTY AND
ENVIRONMENT****FORMER PORTLAND SCHOOL SITE, SPARKEN HILL, WORKSOP****Purpose of the Report**

1. To seek approval to the sale, subject only to contract and approval of Reserved Matters, of the former Portland School site, Sparken Hill, Worksop, Nottinghamshire, S80 1AW as set out in the attached exempt appendix.
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 Some information relating to this report is not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.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. Nottinghamshire County Council (the Council) own land to the east of Sparken Hill, Worksop comprising approximately 3.63 hectares (8.97 acres) and being the site of the former Portland School located to the north of Ryton Park Primary School.
4. This property has been declared surplus and is in the Capital Programme for disposal.
5. An outline planning application for residential development was submitted in 2011 to Bassetlaw District Council and it was advised on 16 June 2011 that the application had been reported to Bassetlaw District Council's Member Advisory Group, who had confirmed that they were willing to support the recommendation that planning permission be granted, subject to completion of a Section 106 Agreement.
6. In accordance with the approved report to Finance & Property Committee of 25th February 2013 agents were instructed to market the residential development site for sale subject to completion of the Section 106 Agreement, as above.
7. The Section 106 Agreement was completed on the 15 March 2013.

Other Options Considered

8. Retention of the land, but not required for any alternative use.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

9. To secure a capital receipt.

Statutory and Policy Implications

10. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (Public Health only), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, service users, sustainability and the environment and ways of working 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

1. That the Finance and Property Committee approve the sale, subject only to contract and approval of Reserved Matters, of the former Portland School site, Sparken Hill, Worksop, Nottinghamshire, S80 1AW as set out in the attached exempt appendix.

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Constitutional Comments (CEH 20/12/13)

11. The recommendation falls within the delegated authority to the Finance and Property Committee. When disposing of its land the Council is required to obtain the best price reasonably obtainable on the open market and therefore Committee should satisfy themselves of this before approving any recommendation.

Financial Comments (TR 18/12/13)

12. The financial implications are set out in the exempt appendix to the report.

Background Papers

13. Report to Finance and Property Committee of the 25 February 2013.

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with

Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

Ward(s) and Member(s)

14. Ward(s): Worksop West
Member(s): Councillor Kevin Greaves

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Properties affected: 52068 - Remaining NCC site