

18 July 2016

Agenda Item: 5f

**REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORT &  
PROPERTY****OPERATIONAL DECISIONS TAKEN OUTSIDE THE FINANCE &  
PROPERTY COMMITTEE CYCLE FEBRUARY – MAY 2016****Purpose of the Report**

1. As Members will recall at the meeting of this Committee in January 2014 approval was given to amend the list of day to day operational decisions which can be taken by the Director, subject to the chair of Finance & Property Committee determining whether operational decisions should still be reported to Committee. It was also agreed that a report should be submitted to the Finance & Property Committee on a quarterly basis outlining all operational decisions made, supplemented annually by a review report on Estate Management operational decisions. In accordance with this decision this is the quarterly report to inform the Finance & Property Committee of Operational Decisions taken outside the Finance & Property Committee Cycle, between February and May 2016.

**Information and Advice**

2. This report contains an exempt appendix, which is not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) (Information relating to any individual and the business affairs of a particular person (including the authority holding that information)). The exempt appendix provides details of the terms agreed. Disclosure of this information would prejudice the parties' commercial interests.
3. This report seeks to inform Committee Members of the decisions taken over this period. Details of the decisions taken are shown below: -

Please note relevant Ward Members have been invited to comment on these proposals.

SP	TITLE	DESCRIPTION / open (extract from Operational decision)
3023	Release of Covenant, Land at Colwick Wharf, Colwick	It is proposed that a restrictive covenant is released on land at Colwick Wharf which would permit the wharf to be used for freight operations as opposed to just dredging. The removal of the covenant would be in-line with both the County Council's Minerals Plan and Transportation Plan by encouraging the movement of freight along the River Trent as opposed to road networks.

3021	Walker St Site, Eastwood-Licence for Beacon Bonfire	As part of the Queen's 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations on 21 April 2016, a number of beacons will be lit across the Country. Eastwood Town Council wish to join in with these celebrations by building a beacon bonfire to be lit during the evening of 21 April. An area within the site of the former Eastwood Comprehensive School Annexe site has been identified as an ideal location to hold such an event. Terms have been agreed for the Town Council to enter into a licence agreement with the County Council. Licence fee: nil Indemnity: The Licensee to carry all risks insurance with indemnity to principals having a limit of not less than £5,000,000 (five million pounds) in respect of any one claim.
3026	Former Highway Depot Newark	Extension to site suitability period from 31 March to 30 June 2016.
3024	Selston High School - Conversion to Academy Status	Conversion to Academy Status with 125 year lease.
3027	Sale of Land at Gotham Lane, Bunny	This land is a surplus irregular shaped sloping site planted with trees purchased in 1970 for the purpose of planning amenity. Enquiries with highway colleagues have confirmed they do not have any requirement in the foreseeable future for this land as part of any junction improvements. Approval is sort to offer the land for sale by Informal Tender.
3025	Land at Baileys Field, Balderton, Newark	Sale of 5 acres land.
3029	Approval for disposal of Sherwood Industries and marketing method	Sherwood Industries has been vacant for some time and no internal re-use for it has been identified. The Estates Team have been advised it has officially been declared surplus and that they are to commence marketing. At the completion of the marketing exercise all offers will be reported to Finance and Property Committee for approval.
3030	Easements for cable diversion at Titchfield Street & Junction Station Rd/Bolsover St, Hucknall	Western Power were approached by the County Council Highways Department to divert various cable to facilitate the new by-pass road in Hucknall, as part of these works certain cables have to be diverted in to Nottinghamshire County Council owned land. Western Power require Legal Cable Easements for the two proposed diversions, both diversions were agreed with Highways Department prior to their commencement on site.
3033	Worksop Priory C of E School - Conversion to Academy Status	Conversion to Academy Status with 125 year lease.
3031	Proposed Grazing Licence: Land at Cordy Lane, Underwood	NCC currently hold a site comprising of some 1.9 acres from Ashfield District Council on a 99 year lease. Within the site is an area of grazing land that has previously been let by way of a Grazing Licence Agreement. The previous licensee gave Notice at the end of September 2015 & terms have now been agreed with another party to occupy the land on a new grazing licence.
3040	Washdyke Lane, Hucknall – Grazing Licence	The site is an area of grazing land that has previously been let by way of a Grazing Licence Agreement. The previous tenant began subletting the field to the proposed tenant without permission from the Authority. Terms have now been agreed with the proposed tenant directly to

		occupy the land on a new grazing licence.
3038	Wayleave consent to install a new pole at land to the rear of 25 Common Road, Huthwaite	Western Power are in the process of replacing a section of aging overhead line to properties on Common Road, Huthwaite. As part of this project they need to install a new pole to replace existing underground cable in a verge area at the side of an access road to a property known as The Orchards, the owner of which has access rights over the land.
2776	Abbey Road Primary School – Agreement to Abbey Road Kids Club Ltd	Agreement formalising the occupation of the Abbey Road Kids Club, a wraparound provision on the Abbey Road Primary School site. The fee will be reviewed on 1 April each year based on an inflationary increase in line with the retail price index or actual costs incurred by NCC in providing the services, whichever is the greater.
2777	Woodthorpe Infant School – Agreement to Woodpeckers After School Club Ltd	Agreement formalising the wrap around facility at the school run by Woodpeckers After School Club Ltd for a 5 year term.
3048	Deed of Easement for Drainage, Rufford Country Park	Two properties known as the Garden House and the Brewhouse are located adjacent to Rufford Country Park. Currently the sewage from both properties flow into an old brick culvert located beneath them. The culvert then runs into the park where it is discharged into the existing old sewage system and a settlement pond. The old sewage system is not connected to a main sewer and therefore it has to be periodically cleaned out. A new system has been installed in the park for the use of these two properties as the old culvert has completely collapsed. It is proposed to grant easements to the 2 properties to use this to connect to the Rufford Abbey pumping station.
3049	Grant of easement – 15 Church Street, Edwinstowe	Following the completion of the new respite centre the right of way along the drive for the resident of 15 Church Street has been altered and landscaped resulting in a the construction of a new access road. As a result a new easement is being granted to the occupiers of 15 Church Street to permit them to have access along the new access road.
3039	Proposed Transfer: Stapleford Children's Centre, Grenville Drive, Stapleford	Within the programme of closures of various Children's & Surestart Centres, the former caretaker's house used as office accommodation by the adjacent Children's Centre is now vacant. Due to the location of the building within the grounds of the Albany Infants & Nursery School, a disposal is not possible. The School have shown an interest in utilising the building for offices, meeting rooms & storage accommodation and a transfer of the premises to the School is the most viable option. Formal approval is therefore sought to transfer the premises to the Albany Infants & Nursery School.
3035	Playing Field off College Street, East Bridgford – Licence for Fireworks	As part of the Queen's 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations on 21 April 2016, a number of beacons will be lit across the Country. East Bridgford Parish Council wish to join in with these celebrations by building a beacon bonfire to be lit during the evening of 21 April. Terms have been agreed for the Parish Council to enter into a licence agreement with the County Council to permit them to have a beacon and fireworks on the playing field. The Licensee will carry all risks insurance with indemnity to principals having a limit of not less than £5,000,000 (five million pounds) in respect of any one claim.

3034	Playing Field off College Street, East Bridgford – Licence for Beacon bonfire	As part of the Queen's 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations on 21 April 2016, a number of beacons will be lit across the Country. East Bridgford Parish Council wish to join in with these celebrations by building a beacon bonfire to be lit during the evening of 21 April. Terms have been agreed for the Parish Council to enter into a licence agreement with the County Council to permit them to have a beacon and fireworks on the playing field. The Licensee will carry all risks insurance with indemnity to principals having a limit of not less than £5,000,000 (five million pounds) in respect of any one claim.
3045	Tollerton Primary School Conversion to Academy Status	Conversion to Academy Status with 125 year lease.
3046	Cropwell Bishop Primary School Conversion to Academy Status	Conversion to Academy Status with 125 year lease.
3059	Forest Town Children's Centre – Lease to The Lime Trees CIC	Following the successful tender, The Lime Trees CIC will take up occupation of the Children's Centre on 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2016. The lease formalises their occupation. This was originally approved under SP 2882, but the rent has been amended to show actual values.
3051	Wayleave – Seventh Avenue, Clipstone	Western Power have a small project to replace a section of low voltage overhead line with underground cables. The overhead needs replacing due to age and condition. A small section of the cable route falls within land owned by the County Council, the extent of the land is shown edged yellow. Western Power are seeking consent to granting permission to install the cable under the terms of the Master Wayleave.
3052	Proposed Garden Licence to the rear of 22 Piper Close, Hucknall NG15 8DS	Since 2006 NCC has granted Garden Licences to 13 residents whose properties on The Drift, Parkgate & Piper Close, Hucknall, back onto the Robin Hood Railway Line. Between the railway line & their rear boundaries is a strip of vacant land & this has been let to individuals who have requested to extend their rear gardens. A similar request has now been received from the resident of 22 Piper Close.
3054	New Letting Unit 2 Hermitage Way, Hermitage Lane Industrial Estate, Mansfield	Approval sought for a new letting at unit 2 Hermitage Way, Mansfield.
3055	Proposed 2 year lease to 2 <sup>nd</sup> Edwinstowe Rainbows & Brownies: The Hut, Forest Corner, Sherwood Forest Country Park, Edwinstowe, Mansfield	NCC currently holds a 60 year lease of the Sherwood Forest Country Park from the Trustees of Thoresby Estates & within the Park is a large timber hut which was leased to St John Ambulance. The building is due to be demolished in 2017 as part of the new Visitor Centre which will be built by the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) who have recently signed an Agreement with the County Council to run the Country Park. St John's occupied the hut on a licence agreement which was terminated in November 2015. During their occupation, they sub-let the hut to the Edwinstowe Pre-School Playgroup & an Operational Decision was obtained in February 2016 for them to take a 2 year lease of the premises. However, before the lease could be signed, the Group ran into financial difficulties & subsequently closed down. They intended to share the building with a local Rainbow & Brownie Group & terms have now been

		agreed with them to take a 2 year lease of the Hut.
3058	Burton Joyce Primary School - Conversion to Academy Status	Conversion to academy status with 125 year lease.

### **Other Options Considered**

4. This report is information only.

### **Reason/s for Recommendation/s**

5. This report is for information only.

### **Statutory and Policy Implications**

6. 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 information set out in this report is noted.

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**For any enquiries about this report please contact: Andrew Stevens 0115 977 2085**

### **Constitutional Comments (SOM 13.06.2016)**

7. This report is for noting purposes only.

### **Financial Comments (RK 04.07.2016)**

8. The financial implications are set out in the report.

### **Background Papers and Published Documents**

9. None.

### **Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

10. Ward(s): All

Member(s): All

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Properties affected: 09998 - Various NCC Properties/non-property item