

Nottinghamshire

Report to the Service Director, Green Growth, Investment and Assets

5th October 2023

REPORT OF THE GROUP MANAGER, PROPERTY ASSET MANAGEMENT

NETHERFIELD FARM 1 – GRANT OF A NEW FARM BUSINESS TENANCY FOR LAND ONLY

Purpose of the Report

1. To seek approval to grant a new 3 Year Farm Business Tenancy of land at Netherfield Farm.

Information

- 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 This report contains an exempt appendix, which is not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) (Information relating to any individual and the business affairs of a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. The premises comprise arable land of 58.9 Acres. See attached plan for the extent of the holding. (House and buildings excluded)
- 4. The existing tenancy expires on 30th September 2023 and the grant of a new agreement is to maintain and preserve the agricultural condition of the land along with providing a short-term rental income.
- 5. Following a recent marketing exercise on an informal tender basis the terms for a new tenancy have been provisionally agreed with the highest bidder and the details are contained in the exempt appendix to this report.

Consultation

6. The Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Asset Management and Ward Member have been consulted on this proposal.

Other Options Considered

7. The disposal of the house and barns are being considered by the property strategy team, in the meantime a letting of the farmland maintains and improves the soil quality and the condition of the land and provides a short-term income.

Reason for Recommendation

8. The grant of a new agreement is to maintain and enhance the agricultural condition of the land along with providing a short-term rental income.

Statutory and Policy Implications

9. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Financial Implications

10. Granting a new tenancy will maintain an income stream into the Agricultural holdings budget.

RECOMMENDATION

1) To grant a new 3 Year farm business tenancy following expiry of the existing agreement.

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Constitutional Comments (EP 03/10/2023)

11. The recommendation falls within the remit of the delegation to Service Director Investment and Growth by Cabinet Member Economic Development and Asset Management on the 6th June 2022 now being exercised by Service Director Green Growth, Investment and Assets which has absorbed the role.

Financial Comments (PA 03/10/2023)

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

Background Papers and Published Documents

• Not Applicable

Electoral Division and Member Affected

- Electoral Division: Southwell
- Member: Councillor Roger Jackson