

## Report to Finance & Property Committee

22 February 2016

Agenda Item: 13c

# REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR ENVIRONMENT, PROPERTY & TRANSPORT

# LAND (127 SQ M) AT THORESBY CLOSE, BIRCOTES LEASE FROM BASSETLAW DISTRICT COUNCIL

## **Purpose of the Report**

1. To seek approval to enter a lease of 127 sq m land at Thoresby Close, Bircotes for the provision of a site for a pre-school building.

### 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 Some information relating to this report is not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.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. The Authority's Early Childhood services team need to ensure the provision of access to childcare for eligible 2 year olds throughout the County. The existing provision at Bircotes is being required to relocate, and a suitable replacement site has been identified at Thoresby Close.
- 4. It is proposed to enter into a lease from the District Council for the land and then sublet the site to enable the continuity of the existing childcare provider. This will involve the erection of a new modular unit on the site by the provider. All costs of the lease to be recharged to the childcare provider.
- 5. The agreed terms for the lease are detailed in the exempt appendix.

## **Other Options Considered**

6. Other sites, which are scarce in Harworth and Bircotes, have been considered, however none of these were found to be suitable.

## Reason/s for Recommendation/s

7. To ensure continuity of access to childcare in the area.

## **Statutory and Policy Implications**

8. 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 approval is given to enter into a lease of 127 sq m land at Thoresby Close, Bircotes for the provision of a site for a pre-school building on the terms outlined in the exempt appendix.

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## **Constitutional Comments (CEH 27.01.16)**

9. The recommendation falls within the remit of the Finance and Property Committee by virtue of its terms of reference.

## Financial Comments (GB 01.02.16)

10. The financial implications are set out within the report.

## **Background Papers and Published Documents**

11. None.

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

12. Ward(s): Blyth & Harworth

Member(s): Councillor Sheila Place

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Properties affected: 50051 - Land at Bircotes