

25 January 2016

Agenda Item: 6a

REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR TRANSPORT, PROPERTY & ENVIRONMENT

SALE OF 49.52 HECTARES (122.3 ACRES) AGRICULTURAL LAND AT SUTTON CUM LOUND DN22 8PY

Purpose of the Report

1. To seek approval of the Finance & Property Committee to the sale, subject only to contract, of 49.52 hectares (122.3 acres) agricultural land at Sutton cum Lound, DN22 8PY as set out in the exempt appendix.

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 Some information relating to this report is not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.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 Finance & Property Committee resolved to dispose of five farm / smallholdings in October 2015.
4. The subject property has been marketed since November 2015 by Savills as for sale by informal tender, subject to contract.
5. Offers have been received by Savills, and these are as detailed in the exempt appendix.
6. The Ward Councillor has been informed of this report.

Other Options Considered

7. Retention of the land for other purposes is not appropriate as the land is surplus to requirements and non-operational.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

8. To secure a capital receipt.

Statutory and Policy Implications

9. 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 the highest bid for the sale, subject only to contract, of 49.52 hectares (122.3 acres) agricultural land at Sutton cum Lound DN22 8PY as set out in the exempt appendix.

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Constitutional Comments (EP 04.01.2016)

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

Financial Comments (GB 13.01.16)

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

Background Papers and Published Documents

12. Finance & Property Committee Report October 2015

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.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

13. Ward(s): Misterton
Member(s): Councillor Liz Yates

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Properties affected: 00045 - Sutton-cum-Lound Farm (Land only)