

Meeting FINANCE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Date 9 September 2013 (commencing at 10.30 am)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with an 'A'

COUNCILLORS

Councillor David Kirkham (Chair)
Councillor Darren Langton (Vice-Chair)

Reg Adair Diana Meale Nicki Brooks Liz Plant Richard Butler Darrell Pulk Kay Cutts Ken Rigby

Stephen Garner

A Ex-Officio: Alan Rhodes

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Carl Bilbey, Conservative Group Research Officer
Paul Davies, Democratic Services Officer
Tim Gregory, Corporate Director, Environment and Resources
Jas Hundal, Service Director, Transport, Property and Environment
Sue Milburn, Group Manager, Strategy, Change and Information Management
Ivor Nicholson, Service Director, ICT
Paul Simpson, Service Director, Finance and Procurement
Gurdev Singh, Interim Team Manager, Category Management
Andrew Stevens, Group Manager, Property Strategy and Compliance
Nigel Stevenson, Group Manager, Corporate Accounting
Michelle Welsh, Labour Group Research Officer

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 August 2013 were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

It was reported that Councillors Nicki Brooks and Liz Plant had been appointed in place of Councillors Alan Bell and Yvonne Woodhead.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

PRESENTATION ON PROCUREMENT

Gurdev Singh gave a presentation on the procurement strategy, and responded to questions and comments.

RESOLVED 2013/115

That the presentation be received.

FINANCIAL MONITORING REPORT, PERIOD 4, 2013/14

RESOLVED 2013/116

- (1) That the current position regarding the monitoring of revenue expenditure be noted.
- (2) That the use of contingency as requested at paragraph 4.19 of the report be noted.
- (3) That the current Procurement Team performance be noted.
- (4) That the current position regarding the monitoring of capital expenditure be noted.
- (5) That the capital programme variations outlined in section 7 of the report be approved.
- (6) That it be noted that the current level of borrowing is expected to remain within the Council's prudential limits.
- (7) That the Balance Sheet update be noted.
- (8) That the future developments be noted.

LOCAL AUTHORITY MORTGAGE SCHEME UPDATE

Given that members expressed views in support of the Nottinghamshire Local Authority Mortgage Scheme (LAMS), and that full details of the Government's "Help to Buy" Scheme were awaited, the Chair moved an amended recommendation (3) below.

RESOLVED: 2013/117

(1) That the success of the Local Authority Mortgage Scheme (LAMS) in Nottinghamshire be noted.

- (2) That support be given to continued investment in LAMS, particularly the joint working with district councils in LAMS, and all approvals obtained through Policy Committee on 12 December 2012 with regard to the eligibility criteria continue to apply.
- (3) That a decision on any additional investment in LAMS after the launch of the Government's "Help to Buy" Scheme in 2014 be postponed until a further report has been presented to the Finance and Property Committee.
- (4) That a further report be brought to Finance and Property Committee on the progress of the Nottinghamshire scheme(s).

REVIEW OF ICT STRATEGY: PRESENTATION

Ivor Nicholson gave a presentation on the review of the ICT strategy and the actions arising from it.

RESOLVED: 2013/118

That the presentation be received.

ICT PROGRAMMES AND PERFORMANCE, QUARTER 1, 2013/14

RESOLVED: 2013/119

That the progress against the key programme and performance measures for ICT Services and priorities for the next six month period be noted.

PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS

LICENCE OF TEMPORARY ACCCOMMODATION FOR REGISTRAR'S SERVICE

RESOLVED: 2013/120

That approval be given to the taking of a licence of the Welbeck Hall at West Bridgford Masonic Lodge to provide temporary accommodation for the Registrar's Service (Marriage and Civil Partnerships) in the Rushcliffe District on the terms set out in the exempt appendix to the report.

SALE OF FORMER EASTWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL, DEVONSHIRE DRIVE, EASTWOOD

RESOLVED: 2013/121

That approval be given to the sale, subject only to contract, of the former Eastwood Primary School, Devonshire Drive, Eastwood, as set out in the exempt appendix to the report.

SALE OF ROLLESTON DRIVE CAMPUS SITE, ARNOLD

RESOLVED: 2013/122

That approval be given to the sale, subject to contract and planning, of the Rolleston Drive Campus site, Arnold, as set out in the exempt appendix to the report.

KINGS MILL ADVENTURE BASE – LEASE OF ADJACENT FIELD FOR ECOLOGY TRAIL

RESOLVED: 2013/123

That approval be given to taking a lease from Ashfield District Council of the adjacent field to Kings Mill Adventure Base for the development of an ecology trail on the terms set out in the exempt appendix to the report.

TIN HAT CENTRE, SELSTON – GRANT OF SUPPLEMENTAL LEASE AND THEREAFTER ENTER INTO AN UNDERLEASE

RESOLVED: 2013/124

That approval be given to granting a supplemental lease to the trustees of the Tin Hat Centre and thereafter approval also be given to the County Council taking an underlease from the Trustees to occupy part of the Tin Hat Centre for use as a children's centre, on the terms set out in the exempt appendix to the report.

<u>CROPWELL BISHOP PRIMARY SCHOOL – LEASE TO BJ WRAP-AROUND COMMUNITY INTEREST COMPANY</u>

RESOLVED: 2013/125

That approval be given to the grant of a lease for BJ Wrap-Around Community Interest Company at Cropwell Bishop Primary School as set out in the exempt appendix to the report.

SALE OF FORMER HIGHWAYS DEPOT, KELHAM ROAD, NEWARK

RESOLVED: 2013/126

That approval be given to the disposal of the former Highways Depot at Kelham Road/Great North Road, Newark on the terms set out in the exempt appendix to the Report.

HUCKNALL TOWN CENTRE IMPROVEMENT SCHEME (HTCIS) PROPERTY ACQUISITION – 26 WOOLLATON STREET, HUCKNALL

RESOLVED: 2013/127

That approval be given to the purchase of 26 Woollaton Street, Hucknall as per the Heads of Terms set out in the exempt appendix to the report.

<u>ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL, MANSFIELD –</u> ACADEMY CONVERSION

RESOLVED: 2013/128

- (1) That approval be given to the grant of a 125 year lease on the standard terms set out in the appendix to the report to the Academy Trust for St Patrick's Catholic Primary and Nursery School, Mansfield, this being subject to subsequent approval of any site specific details.
- (2) That the Corporate Director, Environment and Resources (or his nominee) be authorised to approve any site specific details and specific conditions in consultation with the Chair (or Vice-Chair in his absence) of the Finance and Property Committee.

<u>HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL, NEWARK – ACADEMY CONVERSION</u>

RESOLVED: 2013/129

- (1) That approval be given to the grant of a 125 year lease on the standard terms set out in the appendix to the report to the Academy Trust for Holy Trinity Catholic Primary and Nursery School, Mansfield, this being subject to subsequent approval of any site specific details.
- (2) That the Corporate Director, Environment and Resources (or his nominee) be authorised to approve any site specific details and specific conditions in consultation with the Chair (or Vice-Chair in his absence) of the Finance and Property Committee.

WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED: 2013/130

That the work programme be noted.

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED: 2013/131

That the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting on the grounds that discussions are likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information described in paragraph 3 of the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006 and the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

LICENCE OF TEMPORARY ACCCOMMODATION FOR REGISTRAR'S SERVICE

RESOLVED: 2013/132

That the information in the exempt appendix to the report be noted.

SALE OF FORMER EASTWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL, DEVONSHIRE DRIVE, EASTWOOD

RESOLVED: 2013/133

That the information in the exempt appendix to the report be noted.

SALE OF ROLLESTON DRIVE CAMPUS SITE, ARNOLD

RESOLVED: 2013/134

That the information in the exempt appendix to the report be noted.

KINGS MILL ADVENTURE BASE – LEASE OF ADJACENT FIELD FOR ECOLOGY TRAIL

RESOLVED: 2013/135

That the information in the exempt appendix to the report be noted.

<u>TIN HAT CENTRE, SELSTON – GRANT OF SUPPLEMENTAL LEASE AND</u> THEREAFTER ENTER INTO AN UNDERLEASE

RESOLVED: 2013/136

That the information in the exempt appendix to the report be noted.

<u>CROPWELL BISHOP PRIMARY SCHOOL – LEASE TO BJ WRAP-AROUND</u> COMMUNITY INTEREST COMPANY

RESOLVED: 2013/137

That the information in the exempt appendix to the report be noted.

SALE OF FORMER HIGHWAYS DEPOT, KELHAM ROAD, NEWARK

RESOLVED: 2013/138

That the information in the exempt appendix to the report be noted.

<u>HUCKNALL TOWN CENTRE IMPROVEMENT SCHEME (HTCIS) PROPERTY ACQUISITION – 26 WOOLLATON STREET, HUCKNALL</u>

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That the information in the exempt appendix to the report be noted.

The meeting closed at 12.15 pm.

CHAIR