



19 April 2022

Agenda Item: 9

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, INVESTMENT & GROWTH

OPERATIONAL DECISIONS QUARTERLY UPDATE JAN TO MARCH 2022

Purpose of the Report

1. To update Members on the Operational Decisions taken between January to March 2022.

Information

2. From January to March 2022 there have been 16 such decisions.
3. Relevant Electoral Division Members have been invited to comment on appropriate Estate Practice decisions that are progressed via operational decisions (except where Committee have been specifically advised otherwise).
4. Care was taken with disposals and the granting of leases, licences and the like to ensure best consideration has been achieved by reference to and tested against market value(s) and rates. All charges and other fees levied were appropriate and commensurate with the transaction.
5. Details of the decisions taken are shown below:

SP	Electoral Division(s)	TITLE	DESCRIPTION (extract from Operational decision)
3907	Sherwood Forest	5G Connected Forest Project - lease of land and licence for trials at Sherwood Forest Visitor Centre	As part of the 5G Connected Forest Project, an area of land to be leased to erect telecommunications equipment, and an additional area is to be used to carry out trials of airborne drones and remote ground robots.
3924	Farndon & Trent	Licence of Former Newark Depot Site - Minor revisions	Minor revisions to the licence of the former depot site to Secretary of State for Health and Social Care to run as a covid testing site. Improvements to pedestrian access to the site and changes to the car park area.
3896	All	Caretaker Properties - Rent Review	The implementation of the biennial rent review of caretaker accommodation throughout the County in line with the Personnel Handbook.
3910	Worksop South	Licence to assign lease of Manton Community Centre	The current lessee wished to assign its lease to another party; there are 17 years remaining on the lease.

3916	Radcliffe on Trent	Consent for Openreach to install a pole and overhead cables at Regatta Way playing fields & pavilion, West Bridgford	Approval given to a request made by Openreach to install a pole and cables at Regatta Way playing fields and pavilion, West Bridgford
3920	Collingham	New Lease - 51 Appleton Gate, Newark, NG24 1LN	Grant of a lease to The Secretary for State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities for the provision of Probation Services.
3922	Newark East	Deed of Variation - Caretaker Cottage at the Newark Academy, London Road, Balderton	The Council has agreed with the Academy to enter into a Deed of Variation.
3898	Newstead	03148 Bestwood Country Park- Licence	A licence agreement is sought to enable Bestwood Parish Council to put a bench near the entrance to Bestwood Country Park.
3900	Cotgrave	Cotgrave Country Park - Grant of Drainage Easement	Grant of a Drainage Easement to facilitate residential development of adjacent land by a developer.
3923	Sherwood Forest	Western Power wayleave to upgrade the electricity supply at Rufford Mill, Rufford Lane, Ollerton	A wayleave for Western Power to upgrade the electricity supply at Rufford Mill, Rufford Lane, Ollerton NG22 9DG
3918	Carlton East	Licence to assign lease of land adjoining Colwick Loop Road	The current lessee wishes to assign its lease to another party; there are 65 years remaining on the lease
3926	Selston	Licence to access Westdale Road, Jacksdale	A license to access the site required for a period of 4 months.
3914	Sherwood Forest	Bilsthorpe Landfill Site - Landlord Consent to Underlet	Landlord consent by way of licence to allow Tenant to underlet to third party Gas Management Contractor in order to maintain Environmental compliance.
3930	Worksop West	UPRN 62144 Former Shireoaks Colliery - Access Licence	Access licence for the Friends of Woodlands & Coach Wood Green (FoWCWG) to carry out works on the site in accordance with their approved development plan.
3803	Worksop East	07716 Unit 4, Kilton Terrace, Workshop - New lease	A new lease granted for a 3-year term.
3937	Cotgrave	03374 Tollerton Pre School - Lease to the Trustees of the Tollerton Playgroup	The grant of a 5 year lease of the pre-school building to Tollerton Playgroup, Day Nursery and Early Years Childcare Provider.

Other Options Considered

6. Reduce the number of transactions that can be progressed by means of operational

decisions, this would lead to a loss of the current advantages outlined within the report which could prove problematic from a governance perspective. Lack of clarity on operational decisions may create uncertainty on whether a legal contract can be concluded without a committee decision.

7. An alternative option is to provide officers with delegated powers on routine estate decisions. This would require a significant change in the Council's constitutional arrangements and brings few added benefits beyond a clear and functioning operational decision process.

Reason for Recommendation

8. The decision-making process requires a quarterly update and annual review to Committee.

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.

RECOMMENDATION

That the contents of the report be noted.

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Constitutional Comments (LPW 18/03/2022)

10. The recommendations fall within the remit of the Economic Development and Asset Management Committee.

Financial Comments (SES 15/03/2022)

11. There are no specific financial implications arising directly from this report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

- None.

Electoral Division and Member Affected

- All.

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