EXECUTIVE CABINET MEMBER – LEADER'S PORTFOLIO

A record of decisions made by the Executive Cabinet Member with responsibility for the Leader's Portfolio:-

MONDAY 7th NOVEMBER, 2016

Following consideration of the matters detailed below in the presence of:-

Councillor Morris Executive Cabinet Member –

Leader's Portfolio

Councillor Greenhalgh Major Opposition Spokesperson

Officers

Ms. M. Asquith

Mr. S. Young

Ms. S. Johnson

Mrs. H. Gorman

Ms. S. Woodall

Chief Executive

Director of Place

Borough Treasurer

Borough Solicitor

Senior Lawyer

Mrs. D. Lythgoe Principal Policy Officer

Mrs. V. Ridge Democratic Services Manager

29. MONITORING OF EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISIONS

The Borough Solicitor submitted a report which provided an update on decisions taken at previous meetings of the Executive Cabinet Member.

The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED the report.

30. COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT FUND UPDATE

The Chief Executive submitted a report which provided an update on the Community Empowerment Fund.

The report advised that in June, 2016 the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, agreed that the scope of the fund should be broadened to align with the priorities emerging from the refreshed Community Strategy 'Bolton 2030 – a Vision for Bolton's Future'. In response to this and following an initial, informal evaluation of the fund, a revised set of criteria had been developed, along with new and improved guidelines, an online application process and a case management system.

The report also provided information in relation to the following:-

- The changes to the criteria of the Community Empowerment Fund;
- Current financial position;
- Decisions to award / not to award funding to date; and
- Progress so far by those projects awarded funding which were detailed in Appendix 1 to the report.

The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED the report.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

The background papers and reports in relation to the following items were considered confidential as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and that it be deemed that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in their exemption outweighs the public interest in their disclosure.

31. LAND AT GRANVILLE STREET/JOSEPH STREET, FARNWORTH

The Director of Place submitted a report which sought the Executive Cabinet Member's approval to the sale of the Council's interest by way of a 999 year lease in land at Granville Street/Joseph Street, Farnworth.

The Executive Cabinet Member APPROVED the sale of a leasehold interest in land at Granville Street/Joseph Street,

Farnworth within the parameters as set out in the report and AUTHORISED the Borough Solicitor to complete the necessary documentation.

32. ASONS SOLICITORS, 40 CHURCHGATE, BOLTON – USE OF EMERGENCY POWERS PROCEDURE

The Director of Place submitted a report which advised that he had used the emergency powers procedure, in consultation with the Executive Cabinet Member, to approve grant funding to ASONS to assist in the development costs associated with the refurbishment and occupation of 40 Churchgate, Bolton.

The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED the use of the emergency powers procedure as detailed in the report.

33. DEANE ROAD, BOLTON

The Director of Place submitted a report which sought the Executive Cabinet Member's approval for an exchange of land and property with Bolton Community College on the terms as detailed in the report.

The Executive Cabinet Member APPROVED the sale of the Council's interest in the Deane Road site and purchase of Bolton Community College's interest in the Manchester Road site and AUTHORISED the Director of Place to conclude negotiations and the Borough Solicitor to complete the necessary legal documentation.

34. LE MANS CRESCENT – THE UNIVERSITY OF BOLTON – USE OF THE EMERGENCY POWERS PROCEDURE

The Director of Place submitted a report which advised that he had used the emergency powers procedure, in consultation with the Executive Cabinet Member, to approve a change to the area to be comprised in the proposed lease of the former Children's Services accommodation on Le Mans Crescent, Bolton.

The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED the use of the emergency powers procedure as detailed in the report.

35. PART OF PADERBORN HOUSE

The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED that this item had now been withdrawn.

36. PROPOSED PURCHASE OF FORMER TESCO STORE, 61/63 MARKET STREET, LITTLE LEVER

The Director of Place submitted a report which sought the Executive Cabinet Member's approval to the proposed purchase of the freehold interest in the former Tesco Store, 61/63 Market Street, Little Lever as detailed in the report.

The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED that this item had now been withdrawn.

37. WESTHOUGHTON COUNTY PRIMARY, CENTRAL DRIVE, WESTHOUGHTON – USE OF THE EMERGENCY POWERS PROCEDURE

The Director of Place submitted a report which advised that he had used the emergency powers procedure, in consultation with the Executive Cabinet Member, to agree to a variation to the user in the long lease of Westhoughton County Primary School, Central Drive, Westhoughton.

The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED the use of the emergency powers procedure as detailed in the report.

38. PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF LAND AND BUILDINGS AT BRADSHAWGATE, BOLTON – USE OF THE EMERGENCY POWERS PROCEDURE

The Director of Place submitted a report which advised that he had used the emergency powers procedure, in consultation with the Executive Cabinet Member, to approve the proposed acquisition of land and buildings at Bradshawgate, Bolton from two land-owners.

The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED the use of the emergency powers procedure as detailed in the report.

39. CAPITAL RECEIPTS PROGRAMME 2016/2017

The Director of Place submitted a report which advised the Executive Cabinet Member of the current situation regarding the Capital Receipts Programme for 2016/2017.

The Executive Cabinet Member NOTED the report.