

STRATEGY AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS

A record of decisions made by the Executive Member with responsibility for Strategy and External Relations on:-

WEDNESDAY, 22ND FEBRUARY, 2012

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

Councillor Morris	Executive Member for Strategy and External Relations
Councillor J. Walsh	Major Opposition Spokesperson
Councillor Hayes	Minor Opposition Spokesperson
Mr. S. Arnfield	Director of Corporate Resources
Mrs. H. Gorman	Borough Solicitor
Mr. K. Davies	Director of Development and Regeneration
Mr. D. Mee	Estates and Property Manager
Ms. C. Ellis	Development Manager
Mr. A. Jennings	Democratic Services Manager

54. MONITORING OF EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISIONS

The Executive Member for Strategy and External Relations NOTED the progress of the decisions taken.

55. HORWICH TOWN CENTRE ACTION PLAN

The Executive Member NOTED the improvements proposed for Horwich Town Centre, as set out in the attached Action Plan, and AGREED that the Director of Development and Regeneration be authorised to finalise costs in consultation with the Executive Member and to subsequently oversee implementation of the Action Plan.

56. 24. MAWDSLEY STREET

The Executive 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.

57. LAND AT KERSHAW STREET/EMBLEM STREET

The Executive Member AGREED the terms now detailed and for the Director of the Chief Executive's Department to complete the necessary legal formalities.

58. LAND AT CROSSLEY STREET, LITTLE LEVER

The Executive Member AGREED the terms now detailed and for the Director of the Chief Executive's Department to complete the necessary legal formalities in accordance with the provisions of S123 (2A) of the Local Government Act 1972.

59. TOWN CENTRE WI – FI – THE WELLSPRINGS

The Executive Member AGREED the terms provisionally agreed for the siting of the antenna and associated equipment on the roof of The Wellsprings and that the Director of Chief Executives be authorised to draw up and complete the necessary documentation.

**60. JOHN HOLT CENTRE, BIRCH AVENUE,
WESTHOUGHTON**

The Executive Member AGREED the grant of the lease on the terms now detailed and for the Director of the Chief Executive's Department to complete the necessary legal formalities.

61. MONTCLIFFE QUARRY

The Executive Member AGREED the offer of a 12 month minerals lease on Montcliffe Quarry being made to the current operator and that the Director of the Chief Executive's Department be authorised to complete the necessary legal formalities.

**62. INNOVATION ZONE BOLTON – DEVELOPMENT
SITES –COMMISSION STREET PHASE THREE**

The Executive Member AGREED the following:-

- (i) that the Director of Development and Regeneration be authorised to oversee all elements of the project, including the continuation of existing contractors as necessary and the award of all new contracts required to assemble Phase 3 during the 2012/13 financial year and prepare the site for disposal as market conditions allow;
- (ii) that Bolton at Home seek to relocate all tenants of Phase 3 to alternative property, make the appropriate compensation payments and manage the voids appropriately as demolition commences; and
- (iii) that the Director of Corporate Resources be authorised to prioritise the acquisition of ten private properties in Phase 3 by negotiation with the ability to make home loss payments and to waive repayment of discounts, where appropriate, as an aid to negotiation.

63. FORMER KEARSLEY TOWN HALL

The Executive Member NOTED the report.