

## **CHARITABLE LAND PANEL**

MEETING, 31<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER, 2022

Present – Councillors A. Patel, Priest, Sherrington, Silvester and Warren.

### Also in Attendance

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| Mrs. H. Gorman          | - | Borough Solicitor                            |
| Mr. P. Mulronev         | - | Client Services Manager Asset Management     |
| Mr. J. Shaw             | - | Senior Estates Surveyor Robertson FM Limited |
| Ms. E. Cunningham-Doyle | - | Legal Services                               |
| Mrs. V. Ridge           | - | Democratic Services Manager                  |

### **1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN**

It was agreed that Councillor Priest be appointed Chairman of the Panel for the remainder of the Municipal Year.

Councillor Priest here took the Chair

### **2. MINUTES**

The minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Panel held on 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 were submitted and agreed as a correct record.

### **3. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

**Resolved – That, in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as specified in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act; 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.**

#### **4. JUBILEE POOL SITE – TRANSFER OF SITE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

The Director of Place Development submitted a report which sought members approval for the grant of a 125-year lease to The Department for Education on The Jubilee Pool Site.

Members were advised that The Olive School was currently using temporary leased accommodation and an application was received by the Department for Education from Star Academies Trust under the Governments Free Schools Building Programme for a new school building on the site of the obsolete Jubilee Pool. The new Olive School building would provide 420 permanent school places in a modern school which would have up to date teaching facilities that would improve the quality of primary education provision for Bolton.

The report stated that The Jubilee Pool Site was classified as being Charitable Land and therefore approval was sought to enter into a 125-year lease with The Department for Education at a peppercorn rent for this project. The lease was a standard lease for an Academy School.

An independent valuation report from a firm of Chartered Surveyors was enclosed which covered the requirements of a Qualified Surveyors Report for the Jubilee Pool site. The agreement for the 125-year lease and the 125-year lease were appended to the report, together with, a plan showing the Jubilee Pool site.

A vote was then taken on the recommendation and the voting was as follows:-

##### For the recommendation

Councillors A. Patel, Priest, Sherrington and Warren

##### Against the recommendation

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Abstained

Councillor Silvester

Resolved – (i) That the proposed transfer of Charitable Land at The Jubilee Site on a 125-year lease to the Department for Education at a peppercorn rent be approved.

(ii) That the Director of Place Development be given delegated authority to finalise all negotiations to enter into the agreement for a lease and 125-year lease that are in the format as attached to the report for the transfer of land.

(iii) That the Borough Solicitor be given delegated authority to carry out all legal formalities for the completion of the agreement for the lease and the 125-year lease.

(The meeting started at 2.00 p.m. and finished at 2.20 p.m.)