

## **Minutes of the Property Sub-Committee Meeting held on 1 July 2019**

Present: Philip Atkins, OBE (Chair)

Alan White (Vice-Chairman)

Philip White

**Also in attendance:** Mike Sutherland

**Apologies:** Mark Deaville and Mark Winnington

### **PART ONE**

#### **155. Mr Kevin Danks**

The Chairman reported on the imminent retirement of Mr Kevin Danks after 32 years' service with the County Council, most recently in the post of Estates and Valuation Manager. Mr Danks recalled his involvement in significant projects, citing the restoration of the Shire Hall as a memorable achievement. The Chairman thanked Mr Danks for his valuable service and his contribution to the management of the County Council's land and property.

#### **156. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest on this occasion.

#### **157. Minutes of the Meeting held on 5 June 2019**

**RESOLVED** – That the minutes of the meeting held on 5 June 2019 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

#### **158. Proposed Leases to Academies**

Proposals were submitted to lease the sites of eight Academies to their Trusts for a 125 year period at a peppercorn rental in line with the expectations of the Department for Education for those schools converting to Academy status.

**RESOLVED** – That approval be given to the grant of 125 year leases, at a peppercorn rental, to the eight Academies detailed in the schedule to the report

#### **159. Stonnall Community Building - Proposed Transfer of Lease**

Consideration was given to a request from Shenstone Parish Council for the transfer of the Freehold, or granting of a long term lease, for the Stonnall Community Building and the adjacent former school car park to them at a notional cost. Details were submitted of the current lease arrangements between the County Council and Parish Council for their use of the building, the running costs being met by the Parish Council and on the current and potential value of the site.

The Sub-Committee considered the Parish Council's submission on the importance of the facility to the local community and received representations from County Councillor David Smith who attended the meeting as the Local Member.

**RESOLVED** – That the Head of Commercial and Property be authorised to agree the final terms for the transfer of the freehold interest, at undervalue, of the Stonnall Community Building to Shenstone Parish Council for it's the continued use for community purposes.

#### **160. Exclusion of the Public**

**RESOLVED** – That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business which involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as indicated.

#### **161. Land at Doxey Road, Stafford - Proposed Lease for parking Purposes (exemption paragraph 3)**

The Sub-Committee considered proposals to lease part of the former St Gobain car park site, Doxey Road, Stafford to Community Link Stafford and District for car parking purpose pending it's longer term development.

**RESOLVED** – That approval be given to the lease, at undervalue, of the former St Gobain car park site at Doxey Road, Stafford to Community Link Stafford and District on the terms now indicated.

#### **162. Sale of Nos 1 and 2-3 St Pauls' Square, Burton upon Trent (exemption paragraph 3)**

Subsequent to a previous decision of the Sub-Committee to sell Nos 1 and 2-3 St Paul's Square, Burton upon Trent (6/2/19) members considered a request to approve a change to the purchaser's details from JLL Property Investments Limited to JEA Property Limited, a member of the same Group.

**RESOLVED** – That approval be given to the change of name of the Purchaser to JEA Property Limited: all other details of the transaction to remain unchanged,

**TO AVOID ANY DELAY IN PROGRESSING THE TRANSACTIONS, THE CHAIRMAN AGREED TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS BEING DEALT WITH AS URGENT.**

#### **163. Holding No. 43 Canwell Estate, Drayton Bassett, Tamworth - Proposed Sale (exemption paragraph 3)**

Proposals were submitted to sell Holding No. 43, Canwell Estate, Oak Tree Farm, Drayton Bassett, Tamworth, in accordance with the County Farms Review Programme included in the Medium Term Financial Strategy. The Terms of the sale were outlined.

**RESOLVED** – That approval be given to the sale of Holding No. 43, Cranwell Estate, Drayton Bassett, Tamworth to Mr W Lowe on the terms indicated in the report.

**164. Holding No. 3 Bramshall Estate, Uttoxeter - Proposed Surrender Payment (exemption paragraph 3)**

Proposals were submitted to make a Surrender Payment to Mr G A Bartlam, the tenant of Holding No. 3 Bramshall Estate, Bramshall, Uttoxeter in order to release the property for sale in accordance with the County Farms Review Programme included in the Medium Term Financial Strategy.

**RESOLVED** – That approval be given to the Surrender Payment in accordance with the terms indicated in the report.

**Chairman**