

Minutes of the Property Sub-Committee Meeting held on 1 February 2023

Present: Alan White (Chair)

Attendance

Mark Deaville
Jonathan Price

Philip White (Vice-Chair)

Apologies: Ian Parry

Part one

49. Apologies

50. Declarations of Interest

Resolved - There were no Declarations of Interest on this occasion.

51. Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 4th January 2023

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 4 January 2023 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

52. School site, Stafford North Primary - near Marston Lane, Stafford, Staffordshire

Details were submitted for the final acquisition by the County Council and subsequent lease of the site of Stafford North Primary to the Creative Learning Partnership Trust. – near Marston Lane, Stafford, Staffordshire.

Resolved – That approval be given for the completion of the transfer of the site to Staffordshire County Council, and the grant of an Agreement for a 125 year lease of the site following the construction of the primary school on the site by Staffordshire County Council to The Creative Learning Partnership Trust; the final details of the transactions to be delegated to the Assistant Director for Commercial and Assets.

THE CHAIRMAN AGREED TO THE FOLLOWING ITEM BEING DEALT WITH AS URGENT.

- a) Blythe Bridge High School - Statutory Transfer of Site

Proposals were submitted to transfer the freehold interest of Blythe Bridge High School to the Blythe Bridge High School Music Trust ("the Foundation Trust") in accordance for the requirements of the Schools Standard and Framework Act 1998.

Resolved – That approval be given for the Transfer of the freehold interest in the Site shown edged red on the submitted report as required by the Schools Standards and Framework Act 1998 ("the Act") to Blythe Bridge High School Music Trust ("the Foundation Trust"); the final details of the transactions to be delegated to the Assistant Director for Commercial and Assets.

53. 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 (as amended) of the Local Government Act 1972 as indicated below.

54. Lease of IC5 office & workshop space Keele Science & Innovation Park (exemption paragraph 3)

Details were submitted for the proposed lease of office & workshop space at IC5 at Keele Science and Innovation Park to Charles River Discovery Research Services UK Ltd.

Members stressed the importance of protecting the Council's interests following any change of lease holder.

Resolved –

- (a) That approval be given for leasing of the Ground Floor, 1st Floor and 2nd Floor of Block A and of Ground Floor Block B, IC5 to Charles River Discovery Research Services UK Ltd. The lease would be for a period of 5 years, with Part II Rights Landlord & Tenant Act 1954 (Security of Tenure) excluded.
- (b) That the Assistant Director for Commercial and Assets be authorised to agree the lease with the new business owner, following consultation with the Assistant Director for Business and Enterprise.

55. Sale of Plot D i54 South Staffordshire (exemption paragraph 3)

Details were submitted of the proposed sale of Plot D i54, South Staffordshire.

Resolved – That approval be given for the sale of Plot D i54 South Staffordshire as set out in the report as submitted, the Head of Regeneration

& Strategic Projects be authorised to carry out all actions and decisions to enable completion of this transaction.

56. Sale of Former Lichfield Library (exemption Paragraph 3)

Members received an update on the proposed sale of the Former Lichfield Library site for residential purposes and were informed of negotiations continuing with the proposed purchaser and of the options available to the Council.

Resolved – That approval be given to renegotiate terms with the proposed purchaser in line with option 3 set out in the report, with the addition of the requirement for the building to be handed back in the same condition that it was handed over should the sale not proceed; all actions regarding a sale contract variation to be delegated to the Assistant Director for Commercial and Assets.

Chairman