

DELEGATED DECISIONS OF THE BOARD MEMBER, FINANCE AND EFFICIENCY

Friday 20 July 2012

COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Councillors Turner.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Lois Stock (Democratic and Electoral Services Officer), Steve Sprason (Head of Corporate Assets) and Jane Winfield (Corporate Assets)

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made at this meeting.

2. PUBLIC ADDRESSES

There were no public addresses

3. COUNCILLOR ADDRESSES

Councillor Mary Clarkson attended the meeting and gave a short address.

She expressed concern about the long term planning implications were the freehold interest of this site to be sold. It is one of three sites within Marston that could be redeveloped, and discussions at Area Forum meetings, and with local people, indicate that it is felt to be most suitable for affordable housing. She suggested that efforts be put into finding a site within Marston suitable for affordable housing.

Councillor Turner thanked Councillor Clarkson for her comments, and agreed that officers were encouraged to look at other sites within Marston that would be suitable for affordable housing.

4. SALE OF FREEHOLD INTEREST, HARCOURT HOUSE

The Head of Corporate Assets submitted a report (previously circulated, now appended). Steve Sprason attended the meeting and presented the report.

Councillor Ed Turner took all submissions into account, both written and oral, and RESOLVED to:-

- (1) Give approval for the sale of the freehold interest as described in the report, and otherwise on terms and conditions to be approved by the Head of Corporate Property;
- (2) Note that the City Council would enter into a lease for the land owned by the purchaser for a period of up to 2 years, for the provision of temporary car parking on terms to be agreed;

- (3) Note that the Council would terminate negotiations for the joint promotional agreement which was approved by Single Member Decision on 15th August 2011.

5. MATTERS EXEMPT FROM PUBLICATION

Councillor Turner considered the not for publication annex to the report in confidential session.

(Paragraph 3, Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 – information about someone’s finances or business. The public interest in maintaining the exemption was in order not to compromise land or property disposal).

The meeting started at 9.00 am and ended at 9.19 am