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Delegated Decisions of the Board Member, Finance and Efficiency

Date: **Friday 25 January 2013**

Time: **5.00 pm**

Place: **St Aldate's Room, Town Hall**

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Board Member

Portfolio

Councillor Ed Turner

Finance and Efficiency

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AGENDA

PART ONE PUBLIC BUSINESS

Pages

1 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Guidance on personal and personal prejudicial interests is attached to these agenda pages.

2 **PUBLIC ADDRESSES**

Members of the public may, if the Board Member agrees, ask a question of the Board Member on any item for decision on this agenda (other than on the minutes). The full text of any question must be notified to the Head of Law and Governance by no later than 9.30 am two clear working days before the meeting. Questions by the public will be taken as read and, at the Board Member's discretion, responded to either orally or in writing at the meeting. No supplementary question or questioning will be permitted.

The total time permitted for this item will be 15 minutes.

3 **COUNCILLOR ADDRESSES**

City Councillors may, at the Board Member's discretion, ask a question or address the Board Member on an item for decision on the agenda (other than on the minutes). The full text of any question and the nature of any address must be notified to the Head of Law and Governance by no later than 9.30 am two clear working days before the meeting. Questions by councillors will be taken as read and, at the Board Member's discretion, responded to either orally or in writing at the meeting. No supplementary question or questioning will be permitted. If an address is made, the Board member will either respond or have regard to the points raised in reaching her or his decision. If the address is by the Chair of a Scrutiny Committee or her or his nominee then the Board member will be required to say as part of their decision whether they accept the Scrutiny recommendations made.

4 **FREEHOLD DISPOSAL OF BURY KNOWLE STABLES AND BARN**

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Lead Member: Councillor Executive Board Member for Finance and Efficiency

The Head of Property has submitted a report which seeks approval to:

- (a) Approve the proposed sale of Bury Knowle Stables and Barn, Headington, Oxford on the terms as detailed in the Not for Publication confidential Appendix 4 of this report and otherwise on terms and conditions to be approved by the Head of Corporate Assets.

- (b) Give authority to the Head of Corporate Assets to vary the proposed sale or purchasing party as detailed herein provided the transaction continues to represent best consideration.

5 DISPOSAL OF ST CLEMENT'S CAR PARK - VARIATION OF TERMS

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Lead Member: Councillor Executive Board Member for Finance and Efficiency

The Head of Property has submitted a report which seeks approval to:

- (a) The variation to the terms of the disposal of St Clement's Car Park, on the terms as detailed in the Not for Publication Confidential Appendix 3 of this Report.
- (b) Give authority to the Head of Corporate Property to make any further variations to the disposal provided the transaction continues to represent best consideration.

6 MATTERS EXEMPT FROM PUBLICATION

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If the Board member wishes to exclude the press and the public from the meeting during consideration of any of the items on the exempt from publication part of the agenda, it will be necessary for the Board member to pass a resolution in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 21(1)(b) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 on the grounds that their presence could involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in specific paragraphs of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

The Board member may maintain the exemption if and so long as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

C1 Confidential appendix attached for agenda item 4

C2. Confidential appendix attached for agenda item 5

DECLARING INTERESTS

General duty

You must declare any disclosable pecuniary interests when the meeting reaches the item on the agenda headed "Declarations of Interest" or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.

What is a disclosable pecuniary interest?

Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to your employment; sponsorship (ie payment for expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a councillor or towards your election expenses); contracts; land in the Council's area; licences for land in the Council's area; corporate tenancies; and securities. These declarations must be recorded in each councillor's Register of Interests which is publicly available on the Council's website.

Declaring an interest

Where any matter disclosed in your Register of Interests is being considered at a meeting, you must declare that you have an interest. You should also disclose the nature as well as the existence of the interest.

If you have a disclosable pecuniary interest, after having declared it at the meeting you must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

Members' Code of Conduct and public perception

Even if you do not have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter, the Members' Code of Conduct says that a member "must serve only the public interest and must never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person including yourself" and that "you must not place yourself in situations where your honesty and integrity may be questioned". What this means is that the matter of interests must be viewed within the context of the Code as a whole and regard should continue to be paid to the perception of the public.

†Disclosable pecuniary interests that must be declared are not only those of the member her or himself but also those of the member's spouse, civil partner or person they are living with as husband or wife or as if they were civil partners..