

**Report of:** Executive Director City Services

**To:** City Executive Board

**Date:** 26<sup>th</sup> November 2008

**Item No:**

**Title of Report:** Oxford City Football Club proposals in respect of Court Place Farm Marston – decision making body

### Summary and Recommendations

**Purpose of report:** To decide whether the award of a lease and associated agreements should be a matter for the City Executive Board or the North East Area Committee.

**Key decision:** No

**Portfolio Holder:** Councillor Bob Timbs

**Report Approved by:** Jeremy Thomas

**Policy Framework:** None

**Recommendation(s):** That all executive decisions regarding the granting of a lease and associated agreements with Oxford City Football Club in respect of Court Place Farm be delegated to the North East Area Committee

1. Oxford City Football Club have made proposals for the development of the Court Place Farm site owned by the Council which involves the development of all weather pitches, netball courts and a lease for the existing football ground.
2. Under the Council's constitution whilst matters relating to the "strategic management of and maintenance of...sports grounds..." are decisions delegated to Area Committees property decisions which involve disposal

of lease for less than best consideration, which may apply in this case, are a matter for the City Executive Board.

3. It is preferable that a single report be presented to a single decision making body for all the elements of the scheme and the Board are therefore invited to confirm that the Area Committee should be delegated the executive responsibility to enable that to happen.
4. It is anticipated that a comprehensive report will be presented to the North East Area Committee in early February 2009.

**Recommendation(s)**

5. That all executive decisions regarding the granting of a lease and associated agreements with Oxford City Football Club in respect of Court Place Farm be delegated to the North East Area Committee.

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**Background papers: None**