


DECISIONS DELEGATED TO OFFICERS

Decision title:	Purchase of Flat 15b at Herschel Crescent, Littlemore, Oxford
Decision date:	20 June 2023
Source of delegation:	<p>Cabinet, at its meeting on 22 January 2020, resolved to:</p> <p>Delegate authority to the Director of Housing, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Affordable Housing; the Head of Financial Services/Section 151 Officer; and the Council's Monitoring Officer, to enter into agreement for the award of grant, contractual arrangement and/or spend, for the provision of additional affordable housing in perpetuity, using Retained Right to Buy Receipts or Recycled Capital Grant funding.</p> <p>This delegation is now within the remit of the Executive Director (Communities and People).</p>
What decision was made?	<p>Purchase of a one-bedroom flat for the sum of £200,000 for the purpose of adding to the Council's HRA stock in order to let as an affordable housing property.</p> <p>Oxford City Council will acquire the freehold upon completion of the purchases of all four flats (15 a, b, c and d).</p>
Purpose:	To purchase the unit into the HRA as social rent to provide an affordable housing opportunity.
Reasons:	The purchase enables the use of Retained Right To Buy Receipts to provide additional affordable housing.
Decision made by:	Peter Matthew, Interim Executive Director (Communities and People)
Other options considered:	To not complete the purchase. This option was rejected as it would not allow the affordable housing to be delivered.
Documents considered:	None

Key or Not Key:	Not Key
Wards significantly affected:	None
Declared conflict of interest:	None
This form was completed by: Name & title: Date:	Andrew Dorrington Affordable Housing Development Officer 30 May 2023

Approval checklist

Approver	Name and job title	Date
Decision maker	Peter Matthew, Interim Executive Director (Communities and People) 	20 June 2023

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Senior officer	Dave Scholes Affordable Housing Supply Corporate Lead	31 May 2023
Head of Financial Services	Nigel Kennedy, Head of Financial Services 	08 June 2023
Head of Law and Governance	Rhian Davies, Interim Head of Law and Governance 	05/06/2023
Cabinet Member	Councillor Linda Smith Cabinet Member for Housing	06/06/2023