CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS

CABINET MEMBER FOR CUSTOMER AND COMMUNITIES - 23 JULY 2024

1. YOUR FUND SURREY APPLICATION FOR FARNCOMBE COMMUNITY GARDEN HUB, GODALMING

Resolved:

The Cabinet Member APPROVED the funding of the full amount requested of £114,000 comprised of:

- a. £114,000 of capital funding towards the development of the community hub building to be paid in staged payments, on evidence of spend.
- b. 5% of which, to be held by SCC until final evidence of income, expenditure, and completion provided.

Reasons for decision:

This application has been the subject of a rigorous assessment process by officers, who consider the project to meet the aims and published criteria of the fund and to satisfy the requirements to award funding.

The project aims to build a Community Hub building within the garden that will be used all year round by the community for activities in the garden that will support their health and wellbeing.

CABINET MEMBER FOR PROPERTY, WASTE AND INFRASTRUCTURE DECISIONS – 23 JULY 2024

2. DISPOSAL OF THE COTTAGE, (OLD SWAINS FARM) SMALL HILLS ROAD, LEIGH, REIGATE RH2 8RQ

Resolved:

The Cabinet Member:

- 1. Formally declared the asset surplus to operational requirements (in consultation with The Leader and Deputy Leader).
- 2. Approved the sale of The Cottage (Old Swains Farm), Small Hills Road, Leigh, Reigate, RH2 8RQ to the party, at the price and subject to the conditions, noted in the Part 2 report. The sale is conditional upon the simultaneous surrender of the headlease held over the asset by HGR which has been agreed by the HGR Board.
- 3. Approved the HGR premium for the surrender of its interest from the gross receipt and notes there is debt aligned to this asset, with both parties bearing their own costs and appointments of their own professional team.
- 4. Delegated authority to the Section 151 officer in consultation with the Director of Land and Property to finalise the transaction and enter into all associated legal agreements.

Reasons for decision:

- Following an open marketing campaign of the vacant property known as The Cottage (Old Swains Farm), Small Hills Road, Leigh, Reigate, RH2 8RQ terms have been agreed to sell the freehold interest to the party, and at the price, noted in the Part 2 report.
- The asset was part of an early tranche of residential properties transferred by the Council to HGR in February 2021, with a premium paid by HGR to SCC for a head-leasehold interest. In accordance with the emerging Company Strategy to divest of certain assets, HGR have requested it be handed back to the Council and sold.
- The Cabinet Member is asked to formally declare the asset surplus to operational requirement under the Council's constitution.
- The property is not required for any operational purposes.

CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND LIFELONG LEARNING – 23 JULY 2024

3. FAIR ACCESS PROTOCOL 2024/25

Resolved:

The Cabinet Member APPROVED the proposed Fair Access Protocol for 2024/25.

Reasons for decision:

- The local authority is required to have a Fair Access Protocol ("the Protocol") in place that all schools must participate in.
- The proposed Protocol meets the requirements of the 2021 DfE School Admissions Code and supporting guidance.
- The Protocol will ensure that vulnerable and unplaced children can be placed in school quickly where they are unable to secure a place through the normal in-year admissions procedure.
- When seeking to place a child under the Protocol, no school will be asked to take a disproportionate number of children who have been permanently excluded from other schools, who display challenging behaviour, or who meet one of the other categories set out in the Protocol.