# LEAD MEMBER FOR RESOURCES

DECISIONS made by the Lead Member for Resources, Councillor David Elkin, on 26 March 2019 at County Hall, Lewes

# 40 DECISIONS MADE BY THE LEAD CABINET MEMBER ON 22 JANUARY 2019

40.1 The Lead Member approved as a correct record the minutes of the meeting on 22 January 2019.

### 41 REPORTS

41.1 Reports referred to in the minutes below are contained in the minute book.

# 42 10 HARRISON ROAD, SEAFORD

42.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Chief Operating Officer, together with the written comments in support of the recommendation from the Local Member.

### **DECISIONS**

- 42.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to (1) declare the asset surplus to operational requirements; and
- (2) delegate authority to the Chief Operating Officer to secure best value through disposal in accordance with s123 of the Local Government Act 1972.

### Reasons

42.3 The property cannot be adapted further to meet the changing physical needs of residents. The quality of accommodation is neither large enough or modern enough to meet needs and aspirations. Major improvements to the property are not financially viable and the footprint, space available and limitations of the configuration of the existing building make redevelopment of the current layout for supported housing use unviable.

## 43 <u>LOWER WILLINGDON PRE-SCHOOL LEASE</u>

43.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Chief Operating Officer.

### **DECISIONS**

- 43.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to (1) agree to the implementation of a new 30 year lease to replace the exiting agreement for the pre-school provision at the Willingdon Primary School; and
- (2) agree to delegate authority to the Chief Operating Officer to approve the details of the new lease.

#### Reasons

43.3 The new lease will allow the pre-school to carry out works to their external play area.

### 44 EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

44.1 The Lead Member RESOLVED to exclude the public and press for the remainder of the meeting on the grounds that if the public and press were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as specified in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), namely information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

# 45 WRITE-OFF OF DEBTS

45.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Chief Operating Officer.

#### DECISIONS

- 45.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to (1) authorise the writing off of thirty debts amounting to £225,893.23 in the County Council's 2018/19 accounts;
- (2) note that provision is made for bad and doubtful debts; and
- (3) note the positive steps being put in place to make improvements going forward.

### Reasons

45.3 There is no prospect of recovering the thirty outstanding debts listed. A continuous improvement programme is embedded within the Accounts Receivable team who work in collaboration with Adult Social Care and Legal Services colleagues.