

LEAD MEMBER FOR RESOURCES AND CLIMATE CHANGE

DECISIONS made by the Lead Member for Resources and Climate Change, Councillor Nick Bennett, on 25 June 2024 at Remote Meeting via Microsoft Teams

6. DECISIONS MADE BY THE LEAD CABINET MEMBER ON 21 MAY 2024

6.1 The Lead Member approved as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 21 May 2024.

7. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

7.1 There were none.

8. URGENT ITEMS

8.1 There were none.

9. REPORTS

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

10. 98 SOUTH COAST ROAD, PEACEHAVEN - DISPOSAL OF FREEHOLD

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

DECISIONS

10.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to:

- 1) Declare 98 South Coast Road, Peacehaven to be surplus to the requirements of the Council;
- 2) Approve the disposal of the Property in accordance with s123 of the Local Government Act 1972;
- 3) Delegate authority to the Chief Operating Officer to agree the terms of the sale to achieve best value for the Property in accordance with s123 of the Local Government Act 1972, including proceeding with the next best offer(s) in the event of the transaction(s) not completing within the expected timelines; and
- 4) Delegate authority to the Chief Operating Officer to take all actions necessary to give effect to the recommendations in the report.

REASONS

10.3 The Council has no ongoing operational use for the Property. It is therefore surplus to the Council's requirements. The disposal of the Property will reduce revenue liabilities relating to the management and holding costs of this surplus asset, as well as providing the Council with a capital receipt.

10.4 Delegation to the Chief Operating Officer to agree the terms of the sale to achieve best value for the Property in accordance with s123 of the Local Government Act 1972, including authority to proceed with the next best offer(s) in the event of the transaction(s) not completing within the expected timelines will facilitate the effective disposal of the Property.

11. RENTING OF OPEN STORAGE SPACE AT BRAMPTON ROAD EASTBOURNE

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

DECISIONS

11.2 The Lead Member RESOLVED to:

- 1) Agree that East Sussex County Council take a new lease for 18 months of land in Brampton Road Eastbourne, to be used as open storage space; and
- 2) Delegate authority to the Chief Operating Officer to determine the detailed terms of the lease, to approve the final lease negotiations and the signing of the lease by East Sussex County Council (ESCC) and to take any other actions considered appropriate to give effect to the above resolution.

REASONS

11.3 There is an ongoing need for storage of bulk materials needed for Phase 2a of the Eastbourne Town Centre Improvement scheme, in close proximity to the Town Centre.