

STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS

PROFORMA

Cabinet Meeting27th November 2013

1. Title of Item/Report

Asset Review, School Capital and Site Disposal update

2. Record of the Decision

Consideration was given to a report on Asset Review, School Capital and Site Disposal Update.

The report provided an update on the EIT Asset Review and the Schools Capital Investment Strategy, building on earlier reports to Members.

The Report summarised progress in implementing the recommendations in respect of the review of Libraries and provided an update on progress around Asset Transfer arrangements with a recommendation of transfer in respect of a number of buildings.

RESOLVED that:-

1. Progress with respect to implementing the agreed Libraries Strategy be noted and specifically that:-

- a. the building housing the existing Roseworth Library be marketed for disposal.
- b. the building housing the existing Roseberry Library, Billingham be marketed for disposal.
- c. the negotiations regarding the sale of the building at Westbury Street Library, Thornaby be noted and that the building should be marketed for disposal should these negotiations not reach a successful conclusion.

2. The following four buildings be asset transferred to the OnSite Community Building Trust:-

-  Elmwood Youth and Community Centre
-  Grangefield Youth and Community Centre
-  Robert Atkinson Youth and Community Centre
-  Stillington Youth and Community Centre

3. The full annual saving of £195,000 be noted in respect of the four Youth and Community Centre Buildings will be delivered from 2015/16. The 2014/15 saving, and previously identified MTFP funds, to be used to support the transition costs of £120,000 and also provide match funding of £200,000 for the provision of essential building maintenance.
4. The updated position with respect to the potential community asset transfer of the Ragworth Neighbourhood be noted, with a further report to be considered at a future meeting of Cabinet.
5. Following consideration of detailed business plans, the asset transfer of the Primrose Hill Community Centre building to Three Score Years and Ten be approved.
6. The update to the Schools Capital Investment Strategy be noted and the approach be agreed.
7. The position relating to the proposed re-location of Crooksbarrow Primary School to the site of the Education Centre be noted.
8. The sites set out in Appendix 1 be noted as being available for release as sites for affordable housing.

3. Reasons for the Decision

Implement proposals for Library Strategy and Community Assets and agree land disposal plans.

4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None

5. Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest

Councillor Laing declared a personal non prejudicial interest in respect of agenda item 13 - Asset Review, School Capital and Site Disposal Update as he was the Chair of Grangefield Community Centre.

6. Details of any Dispensations

None

7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

Midnight on Thursday, 5th December 2013

Proper Officer
29 November 2013