

PROPERTY SUB-COMMITTEE

Minute of hybrid meeting of the Property Sub-Committee of the Finance and Resources Committee held in the Council Chamber, 2 High Street, Perth on Monday 1 May 2023 at 1.00pm.

Present: Councillors G Laing, E Drysdale, P Barrett, A Chan, D Cuthbert, S Donaldson (Substituting for T McEwan) and A Forbes.

In Attendance: B Renton (Executive Director – Communities), B Cargill, K Doherty, J Janes, David Littlejohn, M McCaskie, A Peace, E Ritchie, B Watt (all Communities), G Boland (Education and Children’s Services), S Crawford, G Fogg, J Guild, C MacLeod, M Pasternak, R Ramsay, D Robertson (all Corporate and Democratic Services).

Councillor G Laing, Convener, Presiding.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Councillor G Laing welcomed all present to the meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No Declarations of Interest were made in terms of the Councillors’ Code of Conduct.

3. MINUTE OF MEETING OF PROPERTY SUB-COMMITTEE OF 11 JANUARY 2023

The minute of meeting of the Property Sub-Committee of 11 January 2023 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

4. LEARNING ESTATE PROGRAMME – PROGRESS UPDATE

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Education and Children’s Services) (23/123) updating Property Sub-Committee on the progress for delivering the current major projects within the Education and Children’s Services (ECS) Learning Estate Programme. Detailed within were key milestones which have been achieved since the last update to the Property Sub-Committee on 13 June 2022.

Resolved:

The significant milestones that have been achieved, rescheduled or updated since the previous Property Sub-Committee on 13 June 2022, be noted.

IT WAS AGREED THAT THE PUBLIC AND PRESS SHOULD BE EXCLUDED DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN ORDER TO AVOID THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION WHICH IS EXEMPT IN TERMS OF SCHEDULE 7A TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 1973.

P1. STRATHCONA, SPOUTWELLS ROAD, SCONE, PERTH

There was submitted a report by the Head of Planning and Development (23/124) seeking authority to acquire an abandoned, privately owned property known as Strathcona, Spoutwells Road, Scone.

Resolved:

The recommendations of Report 23/124, be approved.

P2. DISPOSAL: SHOPS 1-5 LEONARD STREET, PERTH

There was submitted a report by the Head of Planning and Development (23/125) asking Committee to make a decision on the disposal of the property at 1-5 Leonard Street, Perth, which is held on the Council's Housing Revenue Account.

Resolved:

The disposal of property at 1-5 Leonard Street, Perth, be refused.

P3. OFFERS RECEIVED TO LEASE A SITE AT RIE-ACHAN ROAD CAR PARK, PITLOCHRY FOR A CLASS 3 BUSINESS USE

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director (Communities) (23/126) seeking approval to accept one of the offers received following a marketing exercise to lease a site within the Council owned and operated Rie-Achan Road Car Park in Pitlochry.

Motion (Councillors G Laing and E Drysdale)

To approve the offer as set out in Appendix 3 to Report No. 23/126.

Proposed Amendment (Councillor P Barrett)

To refuse both offers and cease further marketing activity.

Under the terms of Standing Order 18.3, as no seconder to the amendment was forthcoming, the amendment subsequently fell.

Under the terms of Standing Order 22.1, Councillor P Barrett requested his dissent to the decision be recorded.

Resolved:

The offer as set out in Appendix 3 to Report No. 23/126, be approved.