

EXECUTIVE SUB COMMITTEE FOR PROPERTY**RECORD OF DECISION**

A meeting of the Executive Sub-Committee for Property was held on 3rd February 2012 at 4pm.

PRESENT:

Councillor D Budd (Chair) Councillors B Coppinger, C Rooney and NJ Walker

****OFFICIALS:**

Susie Blood, Martin Harvey and Martin Shepherd

****APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

M Carr,

****DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made at this point of the meeting.

COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER POLICY

The Executive Director of Regeneration and Director of Resources submitted a report to provide members with information relating to the adoption of a Community Asset Transfer (CAT) Strategy by the Council.

The report stated that following the process of reviewing buildings and the subsequent announcement by the Mayor outlining the closure of a number of buildings, the Council has a need to put in place a process through which it is able to transfer property which it deems surplus to its requirements. The attached draft policy (Appendix 1 of the report) outlined a process by which this could take place.

The report outlined that to ensure this policy has the support of partners in the Voluntary and Community sectors (VCS) consultation was undertaken with colleagues in the sector who have had experience of property management and leaseholding involving the Council. This led to a more rounded policy being produced, which more accurately reflects the needs of both the Council and VCS.

During the meeting, the Executive Sub committee made a number of comments on the report and Policy. It was agreed that point 7.11 of the Policy would be amended to read as follows:

' A report on the business case will then be presented to CMT and the Executive Sub Committee for Property for a decision'

ORDERED

- 1. That the draft strategy be approved, published and communicated to MVDA and local Voluntary Sector organisations to enable a clear understanding of the processes put in place by the Council to enable CAT to occur.**
- 2. That an update on Community Buildings be circulated to all Councillors.**
- 3. That Ward Councillors be informed during the process.**
- 4. That point 7.11 of the policy be amended, to read as follows 'A report on the business case will then be presented to CMT and the Executive Sub Committee for Property for a decision'.**

REASON

The decision was supported by the following reason:

- 1. To enable the Council to establish a process for consideration of the release of buildings surplus to its requirements.**

The decision will come into force after five working days following the day the decision was taken unless the decision becomes subject to the call-in procedure.