

London Borough of Islington

**Executive - 11 July 2019**

Minutes of the meeting of the Executive held at Committee Room 4, Town Hall, Upper Street, N1 2UD - Islington Town Hall on 11 July 2019 at 7.00 pm.

**Present:**           **Councillors:**   Watts, Burgess, Hull, O'Halloran, Shaikh and Ward

**Councillor Richard Watts in the Chair**

**627       APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Comer-Schwartz and Councillor Webbe.

**628       DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**629       MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLVED:**

That the Minutes of the meeting on 20 June 2019 be agreed as a correct record and the Chair be authorised to sign them.

**630       APPROPRIATION OF LAND FOR PLANNING PURPOSES - WEDMORE ESTATE**

**RESOLVED:**

- 2.1   That the Interim Corporate Director of Resources be authorised to appropriate the Land from housing to planning purposes in accordance with section 122 Local Government Act 1972 and subsequent use of the Council's powers under s203-s206 of the Housing & Planning Act 2016 to override rights to light of neighbouring properties that would be infringed by the Wedmore Estate redevelopment be agreed.
- 2.2   That the Interim Corporate Director of Resources be authorised, following consultation with the Acting Director of Law and Governance and Corporate Director of Housing, to agree the settlement of rights of light claims with owners and occupiers of the

two affected properties and ancillary affected leases, together with any associated fees be agreed.

- 2.3 That the cost of the proposed settlement of rights of light compensation payments and associated fees for leaseholders affected by this scheme will be met from the capital budget for the Wedmore Estate scheme be noted.

Reason for decision – to provide much needed genuinely affordable housing as well as social, economic, and environmental benefits, as detailed in the report. Other options considered – none other than as specified in the report. Conflicts of interest/dispensations granted – none.

**631 DOWNSZERS DUAL CHARGE RELIEF (FOR COUNCIL TAX PAYERS)**

**RESOLVED:**

- 2.1 That creating a class of council tax charge payers for the purposes of awarding an exemption to their council tax to be known as “Downsizers” be agreed.
- 2.2 That the definition of a Downsider as a tenant who was living in a larger property over which LBI has nomination rights who has completed an under-occupation transfer to a smaller property over which LBI has nomination rights be agreed.
- 2.3 That this class of charge payers will be awarded a local council tax relief, by way of a discount, if during the transition from the larger to the smaller property the Downsider becomes liable for council tax at both properties for an overlapping period be agreed. That the discount will be applied in a way that will reduce the Downsider’s council tax bill on any unoccupied property during the overlap to nil be agreed.
- 2.4 That this class of reduction will be applied in accordance with the Downsizers Dual Charge Relief Scheme which is contained in Appendix 1 of this report be agreed.
- 2.5 That Downsizers Dual Charge Relief will be available from the date the scheme is agreed and can be applied to any qualifying period from the 2019/20 financial year onwards be agreed.

Reason for decision – to remove an obstacle to residents moving to smaller accommodation and releasing their original accommodation to house families on the Housing Register. Other options considered – none other than as specified in the report. Conflicts of interest/dispensations granted – none.

**632 PROCUREMENT STRATEGY FOR AUTOMOTIVE FUELS**

**RESOLVED:**

- 2.1 That the procurement strategy for Automotive Fuel as outlined in this report be agreed.
- 2.2 That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director of Environment and Regeneration following consultation with the Executive Member for Environment and Transport, to award the supply of automotive fuels contract/s to the, for a duration of 30 months commencing 1 October 2019 until 31 March 2022 be agreed.
- 2.3 That the Executive be provided with an annual update on the progress being made to move the Council's fleet away from diesels and petrol to electric and renewables be agreed.

Reason for decision – to ensure service continuity and achieve improved value for money through the use of a framework agreement.

Other options considered – none other than as specified in the report.

Conflicts of interest/dispensations granted – none.

**633 GP SURGERIES SCRUTINY - RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE HEALTH AND CARE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**RESOLVED:**

- 2.1 That the report of the Health and Care Scrutiny Committee be received.
- 2.2 That the Executive Member's response be reported to a future meeting of the Executive, including having due regard to any relevant implications of the Health and Care Scrutiny Committee's recommendations.

Reason for decision – to allow the Executive to receive the Health and Care Scrutiny Committee's recommendations.

Other options considered – none other than as specified in the report.

Conflicts of interest/dispensations granted – none.

**634 PROCUREMENT STRATEGY AND CONTRACT AWARD FOR END USER COMPUTING HARDWARE**

**RESOLVED:**

- 2.1 That the procurement strategy for EUC Hardware as outlined in paragraph 3.4 of this report, utilising the HealthTrust Europe framework agreement – Lot 1, be agreed.

- 2.2. That the award of a direct-call contract from the HealthTrust Europe framework agreement – Lot 1 to XMA Limited to deliver the 4,500 EUC laptop devices over a period of 12 months with a total value of £3,264,943 be agreed.

Reason for decision – to ensure the Council’s EUC hardware remains fit for purpose and compliant with security standards..

Other options considered – none other than as specified in the report.

Conflicts of interest/dispensations granted – none.

**635 PROCUREMENT STRATEGY AND CONTRACT AWARD FOR END USER COMPUTING - EXEMPT APPENDIX**

That the information in the exempt appendix to agenda item E1 be noted (see Minute 634 for details).

**636 APPROPRIATION OF LAND FOR PLANNING PURPOSES OF SITE KNOWN AS LAND AT WEDMORE ESTATE, WEDMORE STREET, LONDON N19 - EXEMPT APPENDIX**

That the information in the exempt appendix to agenda item B1 be noted (see Minute 630 for details).

MEETING CLOSED AT 7.06 pm

CHAIR