

SPECIAL COUNCIL – 5 APRIL 2018

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

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**LAND MANAGEMENT**

**Executive Summary**

The Mayor has agreed that this Special Meeting of the Council could be held to enable it to address confidential business as early as possible recognising this is the last meeting of the Council in the Municipal year.

This report addresses two matters. First the Confidential Recommendation from the Executive Meeting on March in respect of Land Management - Westfield Avenue and second a new proposal related to [REDACTED]. This approach has been taken to enable the Council to determine its Part 2 business in the Special Council Meeting.

The Leader of the Council will move the recommendation of the Executive in respect of Land Management - Westfield Avenue and it will be seconded by Councillor Azad.

[REDACTED]

Both of these recommendations enable the Council to achieve its wider policy objectives and to use private sector resources to secure development, and increase the supply of housing, in the Borough.

The Development Agreement with GOLDEV provides a real opportunity to secure the future of Woking Football Club, a long term policy objective of the Council. Woking Football Club may cease to trade if it cannot secure improved facilities and the non football revenue that this proposal seeks to achieve.

[REDACTED]

**Recommendations**

The Council is requested to:

**RESOLVE in respect of Land Management – Westfield Avenue  
That:-**

- (i) a Development Agreement be entered into with GOLDEV to secure the ambition outlined in the Head of Terms attached to Report EXE18-018. The Development Agreement to include provision for a detailed joint feasibility study to ensure that the proposal is financially viable to be reported to the Executive in June 2018 for approval before the Development Agreement goes unconditional;
- (ii) if the Executive determines not to proceed with the development the Council will finance 50% of the costs of the financial viability assessment up to £100,000.

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The Council has the authority to determine the recommendation(s) set out above.

**Background Papers:** None.

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**5.0 Conclusions**

5.1 The recommendation from the Executive will enable the Council to achieve its long term policy objectives in respect of Woking Football Club and secure improved leisure facilities operated by the private sector and a significant number of new homes close to the town centre.

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[REDACTED]

5.3 The pursuit of both proposals is considered to be in the Council's financial and policy best interests.

REPORT ENDS

