

Officer Decision under express delegated powers

Title:

S185 agreement with Thames Water for Marketfield Way

Background:

On 23rd March 2017 Executive considered a report regarding the redevelopment of the site known as Marketfield Way, Redhill.

Executive agreed:

- (ii) That the Head of Property be authorised to progress Stage 3 of the Marketfield Way project, in accordance with the strategy set out in the Executive report dated 26 February 2015 and updates set out in this report, and bring forward the development, retaining the commercial elements and selling or letting the individual residential units on the open market at completion of the development
- (iii) That the Marketfield Way project be progressed in accordance with the updated financial parameters set out in the exempt report in Part 2 of this agenda, including further land assembly, appointment of construction consultants, appointment of construction building contractors, placement of contracts to move statutory services on site, and conclusion of pre let arrangements;

On 2nd July 2020 Commercial Ventures Executive Sub Committee agreed:

That delegations previously authorised to the Head of Property in all previous reports to Executive, in relation to Marketfield Way, are now made by the Head of Place Delivery.

The Council is required to now enter into a S185 agreement with Thames Water in order to both protect and to divert existing sewers on the Marketfield Way site to facilitate its development.

Consultation:

Senior officers across all directorates in the Council have through the Place & People Board and the Portfolio for Planning and Place Delivery have all been informed.

Decision(s):

Describe the decision being made.

I being the Head of Place Delivery authorise entering into a Section 185 agreement with Thames Water relating to alterations/diversion of a public sewer(s) to facilitate the Marketfield site in accordance with the Executive Decision on 23rd March 2017 and the Commercial Ventures Executive Sub Committee on 2nd July 2020.

Reason(s) for decision:

Explain the reason(s) for the decision.

To facilitate the development of Marketfield Way.

Alternative option(s):

To not enter into the S185 agreement which would mean that the Council will not be able to complete the development or in the alternative have to divert the sewer resulting in substantial costs and a delay in programme.

Appendices: (attach if required)

1. Annexe 1 – Letter of No further Comment

Declarations of interest:

Please refer to the [Code of Conduct](#) for guidance on interests.

If you think you have an interest in this Officer Decision, please Contact [Democratic Services](#) (01737 276182).

Decision taken by: **Peter Boarder**

Date: **26/01/2021**

Post held: **Head of Place Delivery**