Title of proposed EIA Disposal of Murdoch & Pitman, 153-161 Corporation Street, Birmingham Reference No EQUA173 EA is in support of **New Function** Review Frequency Six Months Date of first review 23/04/2019 Directorate Economy Division **Birmingham Property Services** Service Area Projects & Programmes Responsible Officer(s) □ Felicia Saunders Quality Control Officer(s) ☐ Eden Ottley Accountable Officer(s) ☐ Eden Ottley Initial equality impact assessment of your proposal The property is currently under utilised where a significant amount of investment is required in order to modernise it to current standards. The disposal will generate a capital receipt that can be reinvested by the Council. The sale and subsequent refurbishment of the property will ensure that an under utilised asset will be brought back into beneficial and economic use. Disposal of this surplus property asset will generate inward investment contributing to the Council's key business priorities and objectives. Birmingham City Council will not be required to pay any compensation to the retail tenants who will stay in occupation after the sale of the premises. Protected characteristic: Age Not Applicable Age details: Protected characteristic: Disability Not Applicable Disability details: Protected characteristic: Gender Not Applicable Gender details: Protected characteristics: Gender Reassignment Not Applicable

Gender reassignment details:

Protected characteristics: Marriage and Civil Partnership Not Applicable

Marriage and civil partnership details:

Protected characteristics: Pregnancy and Maternity

Not Applicable

Pregnancy and maternity details:

Protected characteristics: Race

Not Applicable

Race details:

Protected characteristics: Religion or Beliefs

Not Applicable

Religion or beliefs details:

Protected characteristics: Sexual Orientation

Not Applicable

Sexual orientation details:

Consulted People or Groups

Relevant Ward Members (Ladywood), Officers from Legal and Democratic Services, City Finance and Officers from the Economy Directorate

Informed People or Groups

Summary and evidence of findings from your EIA

Approval to market the property was agreed by Cabinet in June 2016 entitled City Centre Chamberlain Buildings.

The relevant Ward Members (Ladywood) have been consulted and no adverse comments have been received to the report's content.

Officers from Legal and Democratic Services and City Finance and other relevant officers from the Economy Directorate have been involved in the preparation of this report.

Demand for tertiary office space has significantly reduced over the years. The upper floors at Murdoch Chambers have a low occupancy rate.

The sale and subsequent refurbishment of the property will ensure that an under utilised asset will be brought back into beneficial and economic use.

There has been ongoing consultation with members of their respective constituency, who have as representation been consulted on issues of relevance.

There have been no issues raised which impact the wider community negatively, therefore a full equality assessment is not required at this stage.

Submit to the Quality Control Officer for reviewing?

Yes

Quality Control Officer comments

Decision by Quality Control Officer

Proceed for final approval

Submit draft to Accountable Officer?

Yes

Decision by Accountable Officer

Approve

Date approved / rejected by the Accountable Officer

23/10/2018

Reasons for approval or rejection

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