

Details

Status:	Decision Proposed
Title:	Acquisition of Private Sites and Empty Homes
Reference:	001959/2016
Details:	Report of Strategic Director of Economy
Implementation Date (not before Meeting Date):	Tue 20 Sep 2016
Purpose:	To seek approval to the acquisition of privately owned sites.
Key Portfolio:	Leader
Include Item on Forward Plan / Key Decision:	Yes
Reason for Key Decision:	Birmingham Development Plan

Decision

Urgent Decision - Not in Forward Plan:	No
Is Private:	No
Decision Outcome:	

On 20 September 2016, Cabinet:- (i) delegated to the Strategic Director Economy and the Cabinet Member Housing and Homes, approval to authorise the acquisition under section 17 of the Housing Act 1985 or section 226 (1) (a) Town and Country Planning Act 1990, of any vacant/undeveloped sites in Birmingham suitable for new housing development by the Council through the Birmingham Municipal Housing Trust (BMHT); (ii) delegated to the Strategic Director Place and the Cabinet Member Housing and Homes approval to authorise the acquisition under section 17 of the Housing Act 1985 of any long term empty properties in Birmingham; (iii) approved the use of CPO powers under section 17 of the Housing Act 1985 and section 226 (1) (a) Town & Country Planning Act 1990 to acquire vacant sites and empty homes; (iv) following any acquisition of the sites, authorised the Strategic Director Economy to include the sites within the development programme of BMHT 2015-2020 and to apply for any planning permissions, stopping up orders or any other licences or consents or highways or other agreements as are necessary in order to develop the sites, the letting of construction contracts to be subject to Full Business Cases to be considered by the appropriate decision maker; (v) authorised the Strategic Director Economy to apply for grant or loan funding to support the programme of acquisition of sites and empty properties from any available funding sources, including but not limited to, the Homes and Communities Agency, and the Local Enterprise Partnership; (vi) noted that an annual report will be presented to Cabinet detailing any sites and properties acquired over the previous 12 months; (vii) authorised the Director of Property to negotiate terms for the acquisition of any sites or properties on a voluntary basis in advance of compulsory acquisition as well as to settle any CPO compensation; (viii) authorised the City Solicitor to take any steps/enter legal agreements needed to bring the above into effect including, but not limited, to: (a) take all necessary steps to secure the making, confirmation and implementation of the compulsory purchase orders, including the publication and service of all notices to give effect thereto including High Court enforcement officer (b) if granted power to do so by the Secretary of State, to confirm the compulsory purchase orders. THE DEADLINE FOR CALL IN IS 1600 HOURS ON MONDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER 2016.

Miscellaneous

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Decision Criteria

This Decision does not contain any decision criteria records.

Wards

This Decision does not contain any Ward records.

Topics

This Decision does not contain any Topic records

Overview and Scrutiny

Health, Wellbeing and the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Housing and Homes Overview and Scrutiny Committee

