

POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

31 MARCH 2022

ANNUAL REVIEW OF EXEMPT ITEMS

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 To provide the Policy & Finance Committee with a list of the exempt business considered by the Committee for the period May 2020 to date. Included are reports which have previously been presented by had remained confidential at that time.

2.0 Background Information

2.1 The Councillors' Commission at their meeting held on 25 September 2014 proposed a number of changes in respect of exempt information, one of which being that 'the Committees undertake an annual review of their exempt items at their last meeting prior to the Annual Meeting in May'. This was ratified by the Council on 14 October 2014.

2.2 Members will also be aware that the Council agreed a review mechanism for exempt items which was incorporated into the Access to Information Procedure Rules. Rule 18 provides Members with a mechanism to request a review of exempt information with a view to this being released into the public domain should there be substantive reasons to do so.

3.0 Proposals

3.1 The following table provides the exempt business considered by the Policy & Finance Committee for the period May 2020 to date. Members will note that the view of report authors of the status of all reports considered during this period.

Date of Meeting	Agenda Item	Exempt Paragraph	Opinion of Report Author as to current status of the report
24.09.20	Litigation Matter (<i>Sue Bearman</i>)	3 & 5	Information to remain confidential
	Telephony & Call Centre Solutions (<i>Dave Richardson</i>)	3	Information to remain confidential – commercially sensitive
26.11.20	Development of the Former Robin Hood Hotel (<i>Nick Wilson</i>)	3	Information to remain confidential – commercially sensitive
	Newark Towns Fund (<i>Matt Lamb</i>)	3	Information to remain confidential – commercially sensitive
	Urgency Item – Minute of Decision Next Steps Accommodation Programme (<i>Suzanne Shead</i>)	3	No longer considered exempt, can be released into the public domain
21.01.21	Litigation Matter (<i>Sue Bearman</i>)	5	Information to remain confidential
	Former Robin Hood Hotel (<i>Nick Wilson</i>)	3	Information to remain confidential – commercially sensitive

21.01.21	Arkwood Development Ltd. – Loan Agreement (Sue Bearman)	3	Information to remain confidential
01.04.21	Places to Ride Application Funding (Richard Huthwaite)	3	Information to remain confidential
	Stodman Street Delivery Vehicle (Neil Cuttell)	3	Information to remain confidential
24.06.21	Land to the South Side of Moor Lane, South Clifton (Lisa Hughes)	2 & 5	No longer considered exempt, can be released into the public domain
	Newark Towns Fund Update – Newark Gateway Redevelopment (Matt Lamb)	3	Information remains confidential – commercially sensitive
23.09.21	Proposed Acquisition of Section 106 Housing – Southwell (Appendix) (Jill Sanderson)	3	Information remains confidential – commercially sensitive
	Housing, Health & Wellbeing Business Unit Restructure (Matt Lamb)	4	Information to remain confidential
	Transfer of Southwell Leisure Centre (Matt Finch)	3	Information to remain confidential
	London Road Car Park (Neill Cuttell)	3	No longer considered exempt, can be released into the public domain
27.01.22	Possible Purchase of Land – Bowbridge Road, Newark (Matt Lamb)	3	Information remains confidential – commercially sensitive
	Disposal of Land at Lowfield Lane, Balderton (Nick Wilson/Mark Eyre)	3	Information remains confidential – commercially sensitive

4.0 RECOMMENDATION

That the report be noted with those items which are no longer considered as exempt being released into the public domain.

Reason for Recommendation

To advise Members of the exempt business considered by the Policy & Finance Committee for the period May 2020 to date and those items which can now be released into the public domain.

Background Papers

Nil

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