

**Minutes of Portfolio Holder (Resources) and Portfolio Holder
(Customers, Workforce and Partnerships) Decision Making Session held
on 28 May 2010**

Present:

Decision Makers

Councillor Martin Heatley (Portfolio Holder for Resources) and Councillor Colin Hayfield (Portfolio Holder for Customers, Workforce and Partnerships).

Other Councillors

Councillor Alan Cockburn

Officers

Jon Mabbett, Team Leader, Highways Design Services, Environment & Economy Directorate.

Steve Smith, Head of Property & Construction Services, Resources Directorate.

Geoff Taylor, Estates Group Manager, Resources Directorate.

Paul White, Strategic Procurement Manager, Resources Directorate.

Janet Purcell (Executive and Member Support Manager).

1. General

(1) Member Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

None.

(2) Minutes of meeting held on 30 April 2010.

Resolved

That the minutes of the meeting held on 30 April 2010 be approved as a correct record.

2. New signalised pedestrian crossing and associated works at Leamington Road, Southam S278 Tesco Development

Councillor Martin Heatley (Portfolio Holder for Resources) and Councillor Colin Hayfield (Portfolio Holder for Customers, Workforce and Partnerships) considered a report from the Strategic Director of Environment and Economy. This proposed the addition to the capital programme of a project for a new signalised pedestrian crossing as part of

the Tesco Development at Leamington Road, Southam and at an estimated cost of £240,000.

It was noted that planning permission had been given for the erection of a food store and petrol filling station etc in November 2009 and that the planning conditions required construction of the pedestrian crossing and associated Section 278 works as described in the report. Statutory consultation and signing of the Section 278 agreement is envisaged to be completed in May and construction is due to commence in July 2010.

Resolved

That the project for the new signalised pedestrian crossing and associated works at Leamington Road, Southam S278 Tesco Development, be included in the 2010/2011 Capital Programme at a total estimated cost of £240,000, subject to the Section 278 Agreement being signed with Tesco and satisfactory completion of the consultation process.

3. Advertising Services Contract June 2010- August 2013

Councillor Martin Heatley (Portfolio Holder for Resources) and Councillor Colin Hayfield (Portfolio Holder for Customers, Workforce and Partnerships) considered a report from the Strategic Director of Resources that sought approval to County Council joining the existing regional Advertising Services contract (established by Solihull MBC).

It was noted that officers had considered the options for the Council's advertising services as the contract reached its expiration date and the conclusion had been reached that sharing the service had advantages in terms of access to the whole of the West Midlands region as well as some financial savings.

Resolved

That Warwickshire County Council join the regional Advertising Services contract established by Solihull MBC with effect from 1st June 2010 on terms and conditions agreeable to the Strategic Director of Customers Workforce & Governance and the Strategic Director of Resources.

4. Renewal of Lease- Warwick House, Bond Gate, Wheat Street, Nuneaton

Councillor Martin Heatley (Portfolio Holder for Resources) and Councillor Colin Hayfield (Portfolio Holder for Customers, Workforce and Partnerships) considered a report from the Strategic Director of Resources that sought approval to the acceptance of the terms of a lease renewal for Warwick House, Nuneaton. This property (occupied by staff from

Children, Young People and Families Directorate, Adult, Health and Community Services Directorate and the Fire Brigade Union) has a 20 year lease which commenced on 29 September 1987 on a full repairing and insuring basis, subject to five yearly rent reviews.

It was noted that, on expiry of the lease, consideration of future occupation of the building had been considered with a view to finding alternative accommodation for the existing occupiers but there had been a number of constraints to relocation. An accommodation review had been undertaken in 2009 and had concluded that the existing arrangements at Warwick House could not continue for the reasons set out in the report. The proposed lease terms were therefore designed to enable a phased relocation of the existing occupiers and ICT data and voice connection and allow the carrying out of essential repair work.

Resolved

That the terms for the new lease at Warwick House, bond Gate, Wheat Street, Nuneaton be agreed as follows:

5 years from 4th April 2010 at a rent of £110,400 per annum on a full repairing and insuring basis and the Council will vacate entirely by exercising a tenant's break clause operable at the end of year three on payment of fee of £110,400.

5. Any Other Urgent Business

None.

The meeting rose at 9.20 am

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