

MEETING OF CABINET MEMBER FOR STRATEGIC PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT, STRATEGIC HOUSING, PROPERTY AND WASTE

MINUTES of a MEETING held in KENNET ROOM - COUNTY HALL, TROWBRIDGE BA14 8JN on Monday, 11 August 2014.

Cllr Toby Sturgis Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning, Development Management, Strategic Housing, Property, Waste

Also in Attendance: Cllr Alan MacRae
 Cllr Bill Moss
 Cllr Anthony Trotman
 Cllr Philip Whalley

1 **Declarations of interest / Conflict of interest**

Councillor Sturgis clarified that the meeting was in relation to his capacity as Cabinet Member for Property, which was an Executive function, whilst Planning was a Council function which he was also responsible for overseeing.

It was also confirmed a letter and email from Martingate Centre Ltds had been received since the production of the agenda and all facts would be taken into account.

2 **Public Participation and Questions from Councillors**

No questions or statements had been received for receipt at the meeting.

3 **Corsham Mansion House and Library**

The report of the Strategic Projects and Development Manager was received, before considering whether to exclude any members of the public from the next stage of the meeting.

4 **Exclusion of the Press and Public**

It was,

Resolved:

That in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the public from the meeting for the business specified in Item Number 5 because it is likely that if members of the public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act and the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information to the public.

Reason for taking item in private:

Paragraph 3 - information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

5 Corsham Mansion House and Library

The Cabinet Member considered the confidential reports on the unconditional offer of Martingate Centre Ltd and the conditional offer of Hadston Ltd in respect of the proposed sale of Corsham Mansion House and Library, taking into account the financial and other details provided in the report and the risks to each offer detailed therein.

At the conclusion of consideration, it was,

Resolved:

After careful consideration, it has been decided to accept Martingate Centre Ltds unconditional offer, on condition that contracts are exchanged within six weeks of receipt of legal documentation.

Reason:

While the alternate bid from Hadston Ltd was higher, it was conditional, whereby the risks could not be adequately mitigated within the terms of the offer.

(Duration of meeting: 11.00 am - 12.30 pm)

These decisions were published on the 11 August and will come into force on 19 August 2014.

On 18 August the member reviewed and revoked this decision – see reasons contained in the [printed decisions](#)

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