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Our reference: Urgent Business 2010/11

Governance Services

Councillor Gilbert,
Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

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1 October 2010

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Dear Councillor,

URGENT BUSINESS – LAND AT EDENBRECK FARM, CARR HOUSE FARM, LANCASTER

Please find attached a report that the Chairman of Cabinet is being requested to consider. The report proposes the transfer of land and granting of a lease on the land, at Edenbreck Farm, Carr House Farm, Lancaster. Please be aware that the attached report is exempt from publication.

The Chief Executive is consulting the Chairman of Cabinet with view to making an urgent decision. The reason for the urgency of this decision is that the potential leaseholder requires the lease to be signed by 15 October 2010 at the latest.

The issue is a Key Decision by virtue of its financial and community impact. However, notice has not been included on the Forward Plan. I am writing to you to seek your approval that the taking of the decision cannot reasonably be deferred, in accordance with the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rule 16. Your agreement to waive the requirement for the issue to be included on the Forward Plan for five clear working days is required before the Chief Executive can take the decision in consultation with the Chairman of Cabinet.

The normal requirement for advance notice of the decision issue to be included in the Forward Plan for five working days would jeopardise the successful agreement of the lease and transfer of land before 15 October 2010.

Therefore, I would be grateful if you would consider the following:

to waive the requirement to include advance notice of the decision in the Forward Plan, in accordance with Access to Information Procedure Rule 16, in order that the decision can be taken without delay.

Please complete the attached slip signifying your decision and return it to Lancaster Town Hall as soon as possible. In the meantime, could you please telephone David Watson on 01524 582096, or email dwatson@lancaster.gov.uk with your decision.

Yours sincerely,

Debbie Chambers

Democratic Services Manager

URGENT BUSINESS – Land at Edenbreck Farm, Carr House Farm, Lancaster

*I agree/~~do not agree~~ (*please delete as appropriate)

- (1) To this matter being treated as a matter of urgency in accordance with Access to Information Procedure Rule 16, and give approval for the Chief Executive to take this decision in advance of the usual five days notice.

Signed: *J. Gilbert*

Dated: 1.10.2010

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