

**CABINET**

**Urgent Business Report**  
20 January 2015  
**Report of Chief Officer (Governance)**

PURPOSE OF REPORT					
To advise Members of actions taken by the Chief Executive, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Members.					
Key Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-Key Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>	Referral from Officer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Date of notice of forthcoming key decision	n/a				
This report is public					

**RECOMMENDATION**

- (1) That the actions taken by the Chief Executive, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Members in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation, in respect of the following, be noted:-

**1.0 VARIATION TO CONTRACTUAL TERMS FOR CHATSWORTH GARDENS HOUSING REGENERATION PROJECT**

- (1) *That a working amendment to the Heads of Terms for the project be agreed and incorporated in the final contract documentation, so as to provide for the transfer of the freehold ownership of the Phase 1 properties to PlaceFirst to occur once the developer has incurred expenditure of £1.25M in relation to the project, rather than upon the completion of the refurbishment works.*
- (2) *That consultation is undertaken with a view to waiving call-in, in accordance with Overview and Scrutiny procedure rule 17, to enable the decision to be implemented immediately.*

**2.0 Background**

The Chief Executive consulted with the Leader and Cabinet Member with Special Responsibility for Economic Regeneration and Planning, to take the Urgent Business Decision set out above. The decision authorised working amendments to the Heads of Terms agreed by Cabinet on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2013 to facilitate legal requirements associated with external funding streams. The reason for the urgency in this case was that the amendment needed to be included in the contract documentation which had to be completed before the developer was able to commence on site early in the New Year. The Chairman of the Overview

and Scrutiny Committee was consulted and agreed to waive the five day call-in period in accordance with Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 17.

### 3.0 Conclusion

Approval was given to the above action, which is reported to this meeting in accordance with the City Council's Constitution, Part 4, Section 4 – Cabinet Procedure Rule 1.10(b).

<b>RELATIONSHIP TO POLICY FRAMEWORK</b> Comments were contained in the original report.	
<b>CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT (including Health &amp; Safety, Equality &amp; Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, HR, Sustainability and Rural Proofing)</b> Comments were contained in the original report	
<b>LEGAL IMPLICATIONS</b> Comments were contained in the original report	
<b>FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS</b> Comments were contained in the original report	
<b>OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b> Comments were contained in the original report	
<b>SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS</b> Comments were contained in the original report	
<b>MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS</b> Comments were contained in the original report	
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