

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S EXERCISE OF URGENCY POWERS UNDER THE  
SCHEME OF DELEGATION – LEASE OF PART OF COUNCIL OFFICES**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Cabinet note that the Chief Executive has exercised urgency powers under the scheme of delegation in connection with the grant of a lease of part of the Council Offices.**

**Relationship to Council Objectives**

*Objective 1. (E) Specifically to maximise the potential of the Council's property assets and implement Strategic Asset Management Planning.*

**Implications**

- (i) This is a key decision on the Forward Plan*
- (ii) Within policy and budgetary framework*

**Financial Implications**

*Best use of the Council's owned property. Each party will bear their own legal costs.*

**Risk Implications**

*Low*

**Equalities Implications**

*None*

**Sustainability Implications**

*None*

**Report**

- 1 With the support of Head of Environment officers have been conducting negotiations with the Buckinghamshire Learning Trust

(BLT) with a view to the grant of new lease of the vacant office space on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of King George V House, Amersham. The office accommodation became vacant on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2014 when Amersham Town Council terminated their lease by way of a break clause.

- 2 BLT will vacate their current office accommodation in July 2014 and need to take occupation of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2014. Outline terms for a lease were accepted by both parties in early April 2014.
- 3 Due to the time between Cabinet cycles the Chief Executive has used powers of urgency to authorise the grant of a new lease in favour of BLT in order to secure the tenant and associated rental income.
- 4 Cabinet are asked to note the Chief Executive exercised powers of urgency under the Scheme of Delegation (in consultation with the Cabinet Leader) to: for the grant of a lease of the second floor of the Council Offices in favour of BLT.

***Background Papers: None***

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