Buckinghamshire County Council

Officer Decision Report

Title: Winslow Centre MUGA

Date decision taken: 5th August 2020

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Local Members Affected Cllr. John Chilver, Cllr Llew Monger

Decision

To accept the surrender of the leases for Winslow Centre MUGA by Winslow Town Council to enable demolition and site clearance in August 2020..

Reasons for the decision

The overarching objective of the Winslow Redevelopment Project is to redevelop and repurpose the Winslow Centre site to provide greater commercial and social benefits for the local community, not only for the present but to future proof the town for the anticipated increase in population. The scheme will also utilise the site to continue and better improve the delivery of Council services.

It is proposed to redevelop the site largely in line with the Winslow Neighbourhood Plan to relocate sports and community groups currently using the Centre and its grounds while securing outline permission to redevelop the site as new extra care accommodation and a medical services and community hub for Winslow.

The demolition of the existing buildings, including the MUGA, at the Winslow Centre site is the first phase of the enabling work for the Winslow Redevelopment that were approved in January 2019.

Authority to take this decision

The respective buildings have a value of less than £500k and therefore this decision falls under the Director of Property and Assets delegated powers.

Other options available, and their pros and cons

There are no other options.

Conflicts of interest

None

Feedback from Consultation

None



Unitary Council

None

Finance Review

The MUGA were leased at nil rent to Winslow Town Council so there is no loss of income to BCC. There is a demolition budget in the Capital Programme (CTR.13.WAK Demolition of Winslow Centre) which will fund this expenditure (c. £18k of the £537k remaining budget).

Background papers

The Winslow Centre Demolition and Related Works, 8th January 2019.

Other

Lead Officer:

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Director Property & Assets: John Reed

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Date: 05/08/2020

Finance Lead Officer: Claire Hunter

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