



WYCOMBE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Decision taken by Cllr Mrs Julia Adey Cabinet Member for Housing

The Member has taken the following decision.

The decision will take effect on 25 August 2015.

Title

Disposal of 40 Benjamin Road, High Wycombe

Decision Taken

That 40 Benjamin Road, High Wycombe be sold via auction with the proceeds ring-fenced for alternate accommodation for homeless, or potentially homeless households.

Date of Publication

17 August 2015

Reasons for Decision

40 Benjamin Road has been used by the Council as temporary accommodation for over 25 years. Little investment has been made into the maintenance of this property which has now become void with significant maintenance and repair costs now evident.

An independent assessment of the potential costs to bring the property to a standard required for suitable letting has been calculated at approximately £100,000 subject to any contingency costs.

Cabinet approved the disposal of four former void temporary accommodation units in November 2013 with the monies from the sale used for the provision of temporary affordable housing within the district to assist in the prevention and relief of homelessness. The property is one of the eight properties not transferred to Red Kite upon stock transfer as they were used for temporary accommodation – of which four have now been disposed of as per the November 2013 Cabinet decision.

Consultation Undertaken

No consultation has been carried out.

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