

# **Cabinet** TABLED DOCUMENTS

**DATE:** **Thursday 10 April 2014**

## **AGENDA - PART I**

### **CHILDREN AND FAMILIES/ENVIRONMENT AND ENTERPRISE**

**KEY 11. WHITCHURCH PLAYING FIELDS - FREE SCHOOL (Pages 1 - 2)**

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Dear Sirs,

### **Whitchurch Playing Fields - URGENT**

We have recently been instructed to act on behalf of the Whitchurch Fields Consortium. We are currently investigating this matter.

As you are aware, Whitchurch Fields Consortium is the preferred bidder for the Whitchurch Playing Fields. We understand that you are discussing the possibility of disposing of the Whitchurch Playing Fields to a free school at the Council meeting to be held on 10 April 2014. Whitchurch Fields Consortium have advised that in January 2014, the Council advised that you would carry out a feasibility study and revert back to our client prior to taking any further steps. Despite this, our client was not contacted again regarding the proposed feasibility study.

Given our client's preferred bidder status, and in order to potentially save the need for court proceedings to obtain any interim measures such as an injunction, please provide by return the Council's undertaking that you not make any decision in relation to the disposal of Whitchurch Playing Fields until our investigations are complete.

We look forward to receiving your confirmation that you will not make any decision disposing of the Whitchurch Playing Fields at the Cabinet meeting on 10 April 2014 or otherwise until we have been able to carry out our investigations.

Yours faithfully

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