

# **Portfolio Holder Decision Meeting**

## **Urgent Leader's Decision**

### **Minutes**

## **2 February 2024**

**Present:**

**Chair:** Councillor Paul Osborn

**In attendance  
(Councillors):** Christopher Baxter For Minutes 21-25

**21. Declarations of Interest**

**RESOLVED:** To note that no interests were declared.

**22. Minutes**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 6 June 2023 be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

**23. Petitions**

**RESOLVED:** To note that no petitions had been received.

**24. Public Questions**

**RESOLVED:** To note that no public questions had been received.

## Resolved Items

### 25. The Acquisition of a Site as a Proposed Location for Special Educational Needs Provision

The Leader of the Council received a report which set out proposals to potentially purchase a site suitable for the provision of a Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Facility.

**RESOLVED:** That

- (1) delegated authority be given to the Corporate Director, Place, following consultation with the Leader to make an appropriate bid for the property on the terms set out in Appendix 1;
- (2) delegated authority be given to the Corporate Director, Place, following consultation with the Leader, to enter into any contracts, the final terms of the purchase be approved and for any other necessary steps to be taken, including any variation to the Heads of Terms, subject to satisfactory survey reports, valuation, due diligence and financial viability and an appropriate business case.

**Reason for Decision:** This proposed property acquisition would be a strategic addition to the Council's property portfolio to deliver essential services to the residents of Harrow.

**Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:** As set out in the report.

**Conflict of Interest relating to the matter declared by the Leader/  
Dispensation Granted:** None.

[Call-in did not apply to the decision above as it had been waived by the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the reasons set out in the public notice]

(Note: The meeting, having commenced at 11.02 am, closed at 11.05 am).

(Signed) Councillor Paul Osborn  
Chair