Decision No: CMM – 1

Forward Plan No: N/A This record relates to Agenda Item 12 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION

DECISION-MAKER:

COUNCILLOR MARIA CAULFIELD

PORTFOLIO AREA:

HOUSING

SUBJECT:

BEVENDEAN COMMUNITY GARDEN PROPOSAL

AUTHOR:

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THE DECISION

- (1) That a decision on the proposal to lease land in Bevendean for food growing to the Bevendean Community Garden project Group be deferred for further consideration.
- (2) That a meeting be set up with the Bevendean Community Garden Project Group to look at alternative sites before a decision is taken at a future Cabinet Member Meeting.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

(1) The project proposal has caused some local controversy because of lack of timely consultation by the council and fears of local residents that the seclusion and security they have enjoyed behind their properties will be disrupted by noise and nuisance created by a food project, and concerns about lack of security and privacy. However the project is committed to local food growing, and enabling use of its land for such activities is something the council has expressed support for. The land does not have a high conservation value, it is close to a local school, and has been disused for many years, and members of the wider community support the idea of a project sited at this location.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- (1) There were other plots of land investigated for use by the Bevendean Community Garden project group, however they were deemed unsuitable and therefore not recommended for this project by Cityparks & Allotments and Ecology colleagues due to environmental and conservation factors.
- (2) In the event of the project not being granted a lease on this site, officers will endeavour to find an alternative site. However, no other site could offer the proximity to Bevendean Primary School that this site offers.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD:

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Date:

Decision Maker:

26 May 2010

Councillor Maria Caulfield Cabinet Member for Housing **Signed:**

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Proper Officer:

26 May 2010

Mark Wall, Head of Democratic Services **Signed:**

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Call-In Period 2 June 2010

Date of Call-in (*if applicable*) (*this suspends implementation*)

Call-in Procedure completed (if applicable)

Call-in heard by (if applicable)

Results of Call-in (if applicable)

Decision No: CMM – 2

Forward Plan No: N/A This record relates to Agenda Item 13 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION

DECISION-MAKER:

COUNCILLOR MARIA CAULFIELD

PORTFOLIO AREA:

HOUSING

SUBJECT:

TENANT AND LEASEHOLDER INVOLVEMENT SURVEY

AUTHOR:

ODODO DAFE

THE DECISION

- (1) That the findings of the survey be noted.
- (2) Approval is given to the potential ways in which interested people can become more involved than they are at present.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

(1) To obtain formal approval for widening tenant consultation and involvement, which will enhance and extend the contribution made by our existing resident involvement framework.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

(1) The survey findings enable us to consider a range of options for involving a wider group of residents and in more alternative ways than is has previously been the case.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION None

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