CABINET MEMBER FOR SAFE AND ATTRACTIVE NEIGHBOURHOODS 18th July, 2011

Present:- Councillor McNeely (in the Chair) and Councillor Goulty (Policy Advisor).

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Kaye.

J15. NO. 61 HIGH NOOK ROAD, DINNINGTON

In accordance with Minute No. 304 of 21st March, 2007 and J138 of 15th February, 2010, the Director of Housing and Neighbourhood Services submitted a report on the above property which was in need of substantial investment exceeding the current threshold of £20,000.

The report set out the options that had been considered with regard to the property which included:-

Retain and Invest Disposal to a Registered Provider Open Market Sale Demolition

In value for money terms, investing £29,000 to bring a property back into use as an affordable home compared well with the cost of other options for delivering affordable housing. The property was in a sustainable location and met identified housing need.

Consultation had taken place with local Ward Members on the options set out above with the option of retention and investment being supported.

Resolved:- (1) That No. 61 High Nook Road, Dinnington, be retained and investment works undertaken to enable the property to be re-let.

(2) That Ward Members and the Cabinet Member be kept informed of progress.

J16. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved:- That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in those paragraphs, indicated below, of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

J17. HIRE OF GROUNDS MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT

The, Leisure Services and Community Delivery Manager, reported that expressions of interest had been invited by advertising in the Official Journal of the European Union in October, 2010, for the above contract.

24 companies had requested and sent a Pre Qualification Questionnaire with 17 returning the completed questionnaires. 6 companies had been invited to submit tenders. The 3 tenders returned had been evaluated on price and quality at a ratio of 60:40.

Resolved:- That the 4 years Grounds Maintenance Equipment Contract (with the option of a 2 year extension) be awarded to SGM Contracts Ltd.

(Exempt under Paragraph 3 of the Act - information relating to the financial or business affairs of any person (including the Council)).

J18. NOS. 16 AND 18 RIDGEWAY, EAST HERRINGTHORPE

The Director of Housing and Neighbourhood Services reported that the above property was a former area housing office created from the conversion of 2 semi-detached houses previously let as Council homes.

The premises had been vacated and were surplus to the requirements of the Directorate in their present use and form. However, it was proposed that the property be converted back to residential use to create 2 Council homes for rent to meet local identified housing need.

Sufficient capital resources to meet the refurbishment works had been identified within the Housing Investment Programme 2011/12.

The Ward Members had been consulted and supported the proposal.

Resolved:- (1) That the conversion of the premises back to residential use, for the purposes stated, be approved.

[2] That the Ward Councillors be kept informed of progress on the conversion.

(Exempt under Paragraph 3 of the Act - information relating to the financial or business affairs of any person (including the Council)).