

Central Bedfordshire Council

EXECUTIVE

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Land and Buildings at Village Farm, Sutton - Disposal

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This report relates to a Key Decision

Purpose of this report

1. This report addresses matters in connection with the disposal of land at Village Farm, Sutton. Details are set out in exempt Appendix A.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Executive is asked to:

1. **authorise the Director of Community Services in consultation with the Executive Member for Education and Skills to dispose of 0.855 ha of land and buildings at Village Farm, Sutton on the best available terms.**

Overview and Scrutiny Comments/Recommendations

2. None.

Corporate Implications

Council Priorities

3. The proposed action supports the following Council priorities:
 - Enhancing Central Bedfordshire
 - A more efficient and responsive council

Legal Implications

4. The council has a duty to obtain best value. LGSS Law are engaged to provide advice and draft the necessary documents to facilitate the disposal.

Financial and Risk Implications

5. Substantial capital receipts will be generated from the disposal, with an initial payment expected in financial year 2018/19. This will help facilitate a number of the council's priorities and go towards achieving the council's MTFP.

Equalities Implications

6. Central Bedfordshire Council has a statutory duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and foster good relations in respect of nine protected characteristics; age disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation. The disposal will provide additional housing within Central Bedfordshire.

Public Health

7. None.

Community Safety

8. Any issues have been dealt with via the planning process (or via the planning conditions to the consent).

Conclusion and next steps

9. Executive authorise the Director of Community Services in consultation with the Executive Member for Education and Skills to dispose of the land and buildings on best available terms.

Appendices

The following Appendix is attached:

Appendix 1: Exempt information

Background Papers

None