



CABINET DECISION NOTICE

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At a special meeting of Cabinet held on the 19th October 2026 the following matters were discussed. The decisions of Cabinet are set out below each item along with reasons for the decision and other options considered.

Present: Councillor Freeston (in the Chair)
Councillors P. Batson, Callison, Mayne and N Oliver.

DN.36 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received for this meeting from Councillors Grice and Taylor.

DN.37 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interests made from Members with regard to items on the agenda for this meeting.

DN.38 FRESHNEY PLACE LEISURE SCHEME NEW LETTINGS

Cabinet considered a report from the Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Renewal, Delivery and Place Leadership seeking approval for the principle of the new letting.

RESOLVED –

- 1. That the principle of the new letting as set out in the report and closed Appendix be approved**

- 2. That authority be delegated to the Assistant Directors for Finance (s151 Officer), Law and Governance, and Regeneration, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, to agree the final terms of the letting, including associated landlords works and/or capital contributions, provided they are within the sums referred to in the closed Appendix. In the event of a material disagreement between the delegated officers and the Leader as to the proposed terms, the delegated authority shall not be exercised and the matter shall instead be referred back to Cabinet for determination.**
- 3. That the Assistant Director Law and Governance be authorised to formalise the agreements and deal with all ancillary matters reasonably arising.**

REASONS FOR DECISION - The decision will allow the Council to continue pursuing its aim of agreeing pre-lets for the Freshney Place leisure scheme.

OTHER OPTIONS – The Council could decline this pre-let or seek alternative terms. However, it has always been anticipated that pre-lets would be sought, and the Council's retained agents, Development Manager and Asset Manager has recommended the nature of the occupier and the main terms, advising that this letting would secure a recognised national operator and provide further momentum to leasing of the leisure quarter.

DN.39 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED – That the press and public be requested to leave on the grounds that discussion of the following business is likely to disclose exempt information within the relevant paragraphs of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

DN.40 FRESHNEY PLACE LEISURE SCHEME NEW LETTINGS

Cabinet considered a closed appendix referred to at DN.38.

RESOLVED – That the closed appendix be noted.