URGENT MEETING OF THE CABINET MEMBER FOR POLICY, PARTNERSHIPS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

WEDNESDAY 3 FEBRUARY 2010

Present: Councillor Jones In attendance: Councillor Grimadell, Councillor Allen, Councillor Naitta, Councillor Carr, Councillor Troup

09/09 Apologies

There were no apologies received.

10/09 Late Items Introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

11/09 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations

Urgent Key Decisions

12/09 Grayling Street garages, Rosehill – redevelopment for affordable housing

A report of the Corporate Director of Corporate and Adult Services was considered. The report sought approval for the demolition of 20 garages in Grayling Street and the development of six affordable homes including a large bespoke bungalow. Approval was also sought for the land to be leased at nil value to Derwent Living Housing Association, on a 99-year-lease, in exchange for 100 per cent nomination rights on all properties.

Members were informed that 13 of the 20 garages had remained empty for some time and that both the police and Derby Community Safety Partnership had concerns over anti-social behaviour on the site. The proposal would enable the re-housing of a family with four severely disabled children in the bespoke bungalow. It was reported that the family had been on the waiting list for seven years.

It was explained that the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) had agreed to contribute $\pounds540,000$ grant funding for the scheme on the basis set out above, with additional funding required from the PCT ($\pounds45,000$), the Council's Children and Young People's department ($\pounds45,000$) and the Corporate and Adult Services department ($\pounds15,000$). The Council would forgo a potential capital receipt of $\pounds150,000$ for the site so the overall Council contribution

would be £210,000. It was explained that this was considered good value in securing the HCA funding.

Members sought clarification on what would happen to the seven garages that remained in use. It was explained that agreement had been reached including the creation of additional parking spaces for the individuals affected on the redeveloped site. It was further explained that Derwent Living felt the bespoke bungalow would be convertible to a less specialised use should the need arise.

Resolved;

- 1) To approve the demolition of the 20 garages on the Grayling Street site and the development of six affordable homes including a large bespoke in partnership with Derwent Living Housing Association.
- 2) To approve the land transfer to Derwent Living Housing Association, on a 99-year lease at nil value, in exchange for 100 per cent nomination rights to all of the properties.

MINUTES END