

Time started	12.00 pm
Time ended	12.09 pm

## **Urban Renewal Cabinet Member Meeting 25 February 2016**

Present: Councillor Hussain

In Attendance: James Beale and Ian Fullagar

### **12/15      Apologies**

There were no apologies.

### **13/15      Late Items**

There were no late items.

### **14/15      Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations.

### **15/15      Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 June 2015 were agreed as a correct record.

### **16/15      Acquisition and adaptation of a 2/3 bedroom bungalow in Littleover**

The Cabinet Member for Urban Renewal considered a report of the Acting Strategic Director for Communities and Place to authorise the purchase of a 2/3 bedroom detached bungalow for a client with complex care needs and a programme of works to adapt it for the specific care needs of the client.

It was reported that the client is currently residing in an out of city placement, and that there are concerns over the quality and consistency of care the client is receiving. The purchase of this property would allow the client to move out of residential care into accommodation which meets his needs, offers the client a better quality of life and allows the client to be closer to family members who live in Derby.

The Cabinet Member was in agreement with the proposals as reported. The Cabinet Member also expressed support for actions such as these to be taken by the authority to enable people to move into more suitable accommodation and allow residents an improved quality of life. However, the Cabinet Member raised the issue of savings which would be realised by other service providers as a result of the council supporting this move. The Cabinet

member therefore recommended ensuring that factors such as these should be carefully considered in future negotiations to ensure value for money and an earlier break even position for the council.

**Resolved**

- 1. To authorise the Head of Strategic Asset Management and Estates to instruct the professional services to proceed with the purchase at the agreed price of £170,000.**
- 2. To approve the subsequent alterations, up to a value not to exceed £40,000, required to the property.**
- 3. To request that the break even cost is given greater consideration in future negotiations with funding providers.**

MINUTES END