

## **DECISION NOTICE**

Notice is given that the following decision has been taken under the Provisions set out in the Council's Constitution

**Decision maker:** Portfolio Holder for Housing, Planning and Regeneration

Date: 5 October 2018

Decision in the matter of:

Proposed Disposal of Public Open Space Land at Longridge,

Knutsford

Decision:

That, after having considered the objections and representations received as a result of the statutory process of advertising the Council's intention to dispose of the land identified in the statutory notices (or any part or parts of that land) and after considering the further work undertaken with regard to the viability of allowing access to LPS 38 over the Green land and considering the representations received in this regard, the Council is to proceed with the disposal of all or any part of the Green land and part of the Blue land. Reasonable endeavours are to be used to minimise the Blue land disposed of for the access road. Such disposals are to be subject to planning.

**Background:** 

On 10 October 2017 Cabinet considered a report exploring the potential for enabling access to a development site at Longridge, Knutsford, known as LPS 38 in the Local Plan.

Cabinet resolved that the Executive Director of Place explore further options for facilitating access to the site over the covenanted 'green land' and undertake further consultation on the same whilst concurrently advertise the intention to dispose of public open space land delineated blue and delineated green in accordance with the Local Government Act, and that the Portfolio Holder give due consideration to any representations made in response to the advertisement and decide whether or not to dispose of any or all of the green or blue land.

The Council published the public open space disposal notices for two consecutive weeks in the local press on 23 November and on 30 November 2017 to confirm its intention to dispose of the land. A further notice was published with an amended Plan on 14 December and 21 December 2017. In addition the information was made available at the Council Offices in Sandbach and on the Council's

website. Knutsford Town Council was briefed in relation to the notices. The draft Portfolio Holder report was published on 17 July 2018 for a period of 28 days to allow an additional opportunity to make further representations.

## Background Documents:

Report to Cabinet 10 October 2017

Report to Portfolio Holder for Housing, Planning and Regeneration 5 October 2018; Appendix 1 Plan; Appendix 2 Cabinet Resolution 10 Oct 2017; Appendix 3 - Redacted Representations; Appendix 4 Land off Longridge Knutsford; Appendix 5 - Collation of objections; Appendix 6 - List of Objections; Appendix 7 - Grounds of objections and representations; Appendix 8 covenant report; Appendix 9 - Redacted Representations; Appendix 10 - Summary of redacted

representations.

**Approved:** Councillor A Arnold

Portfolio Holder for Housing, Planning and Regeneration

Date: 5 October 2018

Advising Officer:

Frank Jordan, Executive Director Place