



Executive Director/Director Non-Key Executive Decision Report

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Report to: Jayne Ludlam, Executive Director, People Services
Date of Decision: January 2019
Subject: Portfolio Surplus Land Declaration:
Former Wisewood School caretaker house, 2 Rural
Lane, S6 4BH

Which Cabinet Member Portfolio does this relate to? Cllr Jayne Dunn Cabinet Member for
Education and Skills

Which Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee does this relate to? Children, Young
People and Family Support

Has an Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) been undertaken? Yes No

If YES, what EIA reference number has it been given? *(Insert reference number)*

Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? Yes No

If YES, give details as to whether the exemption applies to the full report / part of the
report and/or appendices and complete below:-

*"The (report/appendix) is not for publication because it contains exempt information
under Paragraph (insert relevant paragraph number) of Schedule 12A of the Local
Government Act 1972 (as amended)."*

Purpose of Report:

The report seeks agreement for the former Wisewood School caretaker house at 2
Rural Lane, S6 4BH to be declared surplus as it is no longer required by the
portfolio for the delivery of services.

Recommendations:

That the site of the former Wisewood School caretaker house at 2 Rural Lane, S6 4BH be declared surplus to the requirements of the People portfolio.

Background Papers:

Site Plan

Any papers relating to school closure?

Lead Officer to complete:-	
1	I have consulted the relevant departments in respect of any relevant implications indicated on the Statutory and Council Policy Checklist, and comments have been incorporated / additional forms completed / EIA completed, where required.
	Finance: Paul Schofield,
	Legal: Andrea Simpson
	Equalities: n/a
<i>Legal, financial/commercial and equalities implications must be included within the report and the name of the officer consulted must be included above.</i>	
2	Lead Officer Name: Patricia Slater
	Job Title: Lead Service Manager Capital & Business Planning
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1. PROPOSAL

- 1.1 The report seeks agreement for the former Wisewood School caretaker house at 2 Rural Lane, S6 4BH, shown outlined in red on the plan attached to this report, to be declared surplus as it is no longer required for the education function for which it is held and is not required by the portfolio for the delivery of any other services.
- 1.2 The building is a former residential caretaker house occupying part of the former Wisewood School site. The former Wisewood School closed in 2011 with the opening of the new Forge Valley School. The caretaker continued to reside in the house until 2013 since which time it has not been used for that purpose and is now managed as a vacant property. The surrounding former school site now operates as a leisure centre and is leased out.

2. HOW DOES THIS DECISION CONTRIBUTE ?

- 2.1 The decision will enable the disposal of the sites to meet corporate priorities. This will support the efficient use of resources in line with the corporate approach to managing SCC assets.

3. HAS THERE BEEN ANY CONSULTATION?

- 3.1 This site is a vacant residential caretaker house that sits on a former school site and is therefore no longer required for that purpose. There is no requirement to consult on the decision to declare the site surplus.

4. RISK ANALYSIS AND IMPLICATIONS OF THE DECISION

4.1 Equality of Opportunity Implications

- 4.1.1 No implications identified

4.2 Financial and Commercial Implications

- 4.2.1 There are no financial or commercial implications from the portfolio decision to declare this site surplus. The decision will enable the site to be disposed of in accordance with the Council's Disposals Framework Policy and the Leader's Scheme of Delegation. The financial implications of the disposal decision will be considered at that time.

4.3 Legal Implications

- 4.3.1 There are no legal implications from the portfolio decision to declare this site surplus. The decision will enable the site to be disposed of in accordance with the Council's Disposals Framework Policy and the Leader's Scheme of Delegation. The legal implications of the disposal

decision will be considered at that time.

4.4 Other Implications

4.4.1 No other implications identified.

5. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 This site is a vacant former school caretaker house and is no longer required for that purpose. The site has been considered for the delivery of other portfolio services and deemed unsuitable; therefore there is no additional portfolio requirement for these sites.

6. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 The site is no longer required for the purpose for which it is held and the portfolio has no other use for it.