RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION BY CABINET

Reference No: 23/2022

ITEM:	Shrub Hill Quarter
Cabinet Members Present:	Councillors S E Geraghty (Chairman), M Bayliss, A I Hardman, M J Hart, A Kent, K May, R J Morris, T Onslow, A C Roberts and M T Rouse.
Date of Decision:	21 July 2022
Purpose:	To consider the ongoing plans and management of the Shrub Hill Quarter.
DECISION:	Cabinet:
	a) noted
	 i. progress since the last report on the acquisition and ongoing management of Shrub Hill Industrial Estate (SHIE) pursuant to the Gamechanger 2 initiative;
	ii. progress with master planning and preparation of a development vision of a Gamechanger 2 Site;
	iii. the support given to Worcester City Council on their Towns Fund Business Case proposal;
	iv. the award of a Brownfield Land Release Fund (BLRF) grant and the obligations of that funding; and
	v. the preparation of a Levelling Up Fund bid for the adjacent transport node, Shrub Hill Station.
	b) authorised the Strategic Director for Economy Infrastructure and Skills and subject to the express approval of the CMR for Economy Infrastructure and Skills
	i. to let contracts to undertake works on Unit 16 of the SHIE in accordance with the BLRF grant and following due process of vacation of the site;

	ii. to engage consultant/s to advise on the services that are required as set out in the report, funded from the Strategic Infrastructure reserve;
	iii. to undertake a market engagement exercise to understand the options for the packaging and phasing of works in order to optimise the conditions attached to any grants and to maximise any income; and
	iv. receives a further report, following the undertaking of the market testing, on the proposals for development of SHIE.
Reason(s) for the Decision:	As set out in the report. In order to progress plans for the SHIE and to assess further options for the area.
Alternative Options Considered:	None other than set out in the report.
Conflict of Interest (any declared by a consulted Cabinet Member/any dispensation granted)	None
Date the decision is due to take effect:	28 July 2022

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