


WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

RECORD OF OFFICER EXECUTIVE DECISION

TITLE:*	Shrub Hill Industrial Estate, BLRF contracts
Decision Taken By:	<i>John Hobbs, Strategic Director of Economy and Infrastructure</i>
Cabinet Member	<i>Councillor Adam Kent, Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Economy and Skills</i>
Decision Made*	<i>30th September 2024</i>
Is this Report Exempt as per Schedule 12A Local Government Act 1972	<i>No</i>
Decision taken under the following delegation:	<i>At the Cabinet meeting on 21st July 2022, Cabinet Authorised the Strategic Director for Economy Infrastructure and Skills and subject to the express approval of the CMR for Economy Infrastructure and Skills 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.</i> Cabinet Minutes 21 July 2022 (moderngov.co.uk)
Division(s) Affected	<i>Rainbow Hill Nunnery</i>
Date of Decision*	<i>30th September 2024</i>
Summary of Decision*	<i>Approval to enter into contract for the demolition of Unit 16 on the Shrub Hill Industrial Estate (SHIE) covered by the Brownfield Land Release Fund (BLRF) grant.</i> <i>This approval is given with the express approval of the CMR with Responsibility for Economy and Skills.</i>
Reason(s) For Decision*	<i>The tenant of Unit 16 vacated the premises on 31st August 2024.</i> <i>A contract was tendered for the demolition of Unit 16 and the remediation of the site in accordance with the terms of the BLRF grant.</i>

	<i>In order to fulfil the conditions of the BLRF Grant it is proposed to award the contract and commence the works specified.</i>
Alternative Options Considered and Rejected	<i>WCC could have continued to let Unit 16 of the SHIE. This would have meant that the BLRF grant was repaid and would not have been consistent with its Cabinet approval to progress development in Shrub Hill inline with its vision and masterplan.</i>
Summary of any financial implications	Brownfield Land Release Funds of £985k has been secured for this project which is expected to cover the total applicable costs of the scheme.
Summary of any legal implications	The proposed contractor has been selected in accordance with the required procurement rules (Tom Pollock)
Consultation process and results	There was a public consultation on the Shrub Hill Quarter Supplementary Planning Document, with specific reference to Isaac Maddox House Referral Report - Shrub Hill Quarter Supplementary Planning Document.pdf (worcester.gov.uk)
Equality duty Implications	<i>The JIA screening did not identify any potential considerations requiring further assessment during implementation.</i>
Social Value Implications	
Any Conflict of Interest declared by a consulted Cabinet Member/ any dispensation granted*	No
Background documents*	Cabinet Report of 21 st July 2022 (Public Pack)Agenda Document for Cabinet, 21/07/2022 10:00 (moderngov.co.uk)
Signature	
Reference/Date Published	For use by Democratic Services only
Monitoring Officer Review needed	Yes/No (delete as appropriate)

*Legal Requirement