## **Delegated Decision Notice**

This form is the written record of a key, significant operational or administrative decision taken by an officer.

Decision type	☐ Key Decision		☐ Administrative		
		Operational Decision	Decision		
Approximate	⊠ Below £500,000	☐ below £25,000	☐ below £25,000		
value	☐ £500,000 to	£25,000 to £100,000	£25,000 to £100,000		
	£1,000,000	∑ £100,000 to £500,000			
	over £1,000,000	Over £500,000			
Director <sup>1</sup>	Martin Farrington, Director of City Development				
Contact person:	Rebecca Storey, Project Officer, Council Housing		Telephone number:		
	Growth Team		0113 378 1005		
Subject <sup>2</sup> :	Council Housing Growth Programme				
	Property Acquisitions (Tranche 37)				
Decision					
details <sup>3</sup> :	The Director of City Development:				
	<ol> <li>Authorised the required expenditure to enable the programme to progress the property acquisition(s) detailed in Confidential Appendix A. These acquisitions will be funded from the Council Housing Growth Programme budget, via a combination of Housing Revenue Account (HRA) borrowing and Right to Buy receipts.</li> <li>Noted that Executive Board granted Authority to Spend for the programme on 24th July 2019.</li> <li>Noted that a report has been submitted in parallel to the Director of City Development to request approval to acquire the property for Housing &amp; Resources so that it can be returned to Council Housing Stock.</li> </ol>				
	A brief statement of the reasons for the decision (Include any significant financial, procurement, legal or equalities implications, having consulted with Finance, PACS, Legal, HR and Equality colleagues as appropriate)				
	These properties are being acquired to add to council housing stock.				
	Housing is one of the Best City priorities as set out in the Best Council Plan, and this programme will directly support the following priorities by delivering additional social housing stock:				
	Housing of the right quality, type, tenure and affordability in the right				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Give title of Director with delegated responsibility for function to which decision relates.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If the decision is key and has appeared on the list of forthcoming key decisions, the title of the decision should be the same as that used in the list

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Simply refer to supporting report where used as these matters have been set out in detail.

	places			
	Minimising homelessness through a greater focus on prevention			
	The programme will also directly contribute to ensuring that "everyone in Leeds Live(s) in good quality, affordable homes, in clean and well cared for places" which is one of the target outcomes set out in the Best Council Plan.  Brief details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the decision maker at the time of making the decision N/A			
Affected wards:	Killingbeck & Seacroft, Hunslet & Riverside, Kirkstall, Little London &			
	Woodhouse.			
Details of	Executive Member: Cllr Hayden – Executive Member for Infrastructure and			
consultation	Climate			
undertaken⁴:				
	Ward Councillors: Relevant Members have been informed of the proposed			
	acquisitions by email.			
	Others			
Implementation	Housing Management, Land & Property, Strategy & Investment, HL Property Management Team are all consulted prior to agreeing any property purchase.  Officer accountable, and proposed timescales for implementation			
implementation	Rebecca Storey, Project Officer will oversee the purchase of each property listed in confidential appendix A. At the point of legal completion, the property will be transferred to the HL Voids Service to undergo refurbishment works. Housing Management will then administer the letting of the property.			
	<ul> <li>The Right of First Refusal regulations stipulate the following timeframes for completion of purchases which fall within the regulations:</li> <li>A person who accepts an offer [LCC] must enter into a binding contract with the owner for the purchase of the property not later than 12 weeks after the date on which the acceptance notice is served on the owner;</li> <li>Or not later than 4 weeks after the date of receipt of written notification from the owner that he is ready to complete; whichever is later.</li> </ul>			
	For other properties which do not fall within the Right of First Refusal regulations the Council will endeavour to progress the transaction as promptly as reasonably practicable.			
List of	Date Added to List:- N/A			

 $^4$  Include details of any interest disclosed by an elected Member on consultation and the date of any relevant dispensation given.

Forthcoming Key Decisions <sup>5</sup>	If Special Urgency or General Exception a brief statement of the reason why it is impracticable to delay the decision N/A  If Special Urgency Relevant Scrutiny Chair(s) approval				
	Signature N/A		Date		
Publication of report <sup>6</sup>	If not published for 5 clear working days prior to decision being taken the reason why not possible: N/A  If published late relevant Executive member's approval				
	Signature N/A		Date		
Call In	Is the decision available Yes No for call-in?  If exempt from call-in, the reason why call-in would prejudice the interests of the council or the public:  N/A				
Approval of	Authorised decision maker <sup>8</sup>				
Decision	Martin Farrington, Director of City Development				
	Signature		Date 18 June 2021		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule 2.4 - 2.6. Complete this section for key decisions only

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule 3.1. Complete this section for key decisions only

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rule 5.1. Significant operational decisions taken by officers are never available for call in. Key decisions are always available for call in unless they have been exempted from call in under rule 5.1.3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Give the post title and name of the officer with appropriate delegated authority to take the decision.