

WELSH CHURCH ACT ESTATE COMMITTEE

Decision Notice – Meeting, 14th June, 2021

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Present: Councillor M.R. Wilson (Chairman); Councillor Mrs. P. Drake (Vice-Chairman); Councillors Mrs. J.E. Charles, G.A. Cox, R. Crowley and S.T. Wiliam.

AGENDA ITEM 2. MINUTES –

RESOLVED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 18th January, 2021 be approved as a correct record.

AGENDA ITEM 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

Councillor M.R. Wilson declared an interest in Agenda Items 8 and 12, “Land off Myrtle Close, Penarth – Update” (Part I and Part II). The nature of the interest was that the Councillor was the Member for Stanwell Ward and a Member of the Planning Committee. The Councillor disconnected from and vacated the meeting before the agenda items were discussed, with the Vice-Chairman assuming Chairing responsibilities in his absence.

AGENDA ITEM 4. APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (DR) –

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the applications for grant assistance as set out in Appendix A of the report be approved.

(2) T H A T the proposal to inform outstanding 2018/19 applicants that they must now reapply for Welsh Church Act funding due to the time period that has lapsed be approved.

Reasons for decisions

(1) In furtherance of the objectives of the Trust.

(2) To ensure the limited Welsh Church Act funding is utilised by organisations efficiently.

AGENDA ITEM 5. LAND TO THE REAR OF CHURCH ROAD, CADOXTON (DR) –

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T a determination regarding how to move forward with a long-term solution associated with maintenance and management of the land be deferred (save for the actions authorised pursuant to resolution 2 below) in order that Trustees have the opportunity to visit and assess the site on an individual basis.

(2) T H A T the owners of the properties at Church Road adjacent to the land be contacted and advised of a possible opportunity to gain possession of the land.

Reasons for decisions

(1) In order to provide context to Trustees prior to reaching a decision regarding this matter.

(2) In order that Trustees can take into consideration the response of the third parties prior to reaching a decision regarding this matter.

AGENDA ITEM 6. GLEBE FIELDS – UPDATE REPORT (DR) –

RESOLVED – T H A T the report be noted and considered so that a decision on this matter could be taken under Part II of the agenda.

Reason for decision

To enable a decision to be made under Part II of the agenda.

AGENDA ITEM 7. LAND AT CASSY HILL, CADOXTON (DR) –

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the Qualified Surveyor's report and recommendations be considered in the Part II report on the agenda.

(2) T H A T having considered the Part II report and recommendations, Committee consider next steps and how they wished to proceed.

Reasons for decisions

(1) In order for the Qualified Surveyor's report to be considered fully and in accordance with Charity Law.

(2) In order to agree a way forward for the land in question having considered the recommendations within the Qualified Surveyor's report and in line with Charity Law.

AGENDA ITEM 8. LAND OFF MYRTLE CLOSE, PENARTH – UPDATE (DR) –

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the Qualified Surveyor's report and recommendations be considered in the Part II report on the agenda.

(2) T H A T having considered the Part II report and recommendations, Committee consider next steps and how they wished to proceed.

Reasons for decisions

(1) In order for the Qualified Surveyor's report to be considered fully and in accordance with Charity Law.

(2) In order to agree a way forward for the land in question having considered the recommendations within the Qualified Surveyor's report and in line with Charity Law.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC –

RESOLVED – T H A T under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 4 of Schedule 12A (as amended) of the Act, the relevant paragraphs of the Schedule being referred to in brackets after the minute heading.

AGENDA ITEM 10. GLEBE FIELDS – AGRICULTURAL LAND CLASSIFICATION SURVEY UPDATE (DR) (EXEMPT INFORMATION – PARAGRAPHS 13 AND 14) –

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the update relating to the Agricultural Land Classification Survey be noted.

(2) T H A T further site investigations be obtained in order to promote the site as a candidate site at the relevant time.

(3) T H A T delegated authority be given to the Operational Manager Property, in consultation with the Chairman of this Committee and the Operational Manager Accountancy, to agree the consultancy costs associated with any further appointments referred to in Resolution (2) above.

(4) T H A T a further update report when the results of any further site investigations / surveys are available be considered.

(5) T H A T a separate report regarding the financial position of the Trust and its investment management arrangements be brought to Committee for their

consideration in order to inform consideration of whether to dispose of the site in the future.

Reasons for decisions

- (1) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.
- (2) In order that a fully informed decision in respect of the future of the land can be taken by Committee at the appropriate time.
- (3) In order to progress appointments in a timely manner.
- (4) In order to keep Committee updated at the appropriate time.
- (5) In order that Committee can consider the implications of such a report in relation to this matter.

AGENDA ITEM 11. LAND AT CASSY HILL, CADOXTON (DR) (EXEMPT INFORMATION – PARAGRAPHS 12 AND 14) –

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the expression of interest in the small parcel of land at Cassy Hill, Cadoxton be noted.
- (2) T H A T the land referred to be disposed of in accordance with the Qualified Surveyor's report.
- (3) T H A T delegated authority be given to the Operational Manager for Property, in consultation with the Chairman of this Committee and the Operational Manager for Legal Services, to agree the terms and conditions of the disposal.
- (4) T H A T the Operational Manager for Legal Services be granted delegated authority to draft, complete and execute any documentation required to effect the sale.

Reasons for decisions

- (1) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.
- (2) In order that Committee proceeds according to the recommendations of the Qualified Surveyor.
- (3) In order to progress the disposal.
- (4) In order to complete the disposal.

AGENDA ITEM 12 LAND OFF MYRTLE CLOSE, PENARTH – UPDATE (DR) –
(EXEMPT INFORMATION – PARAGRAPHS 12 AND 14) –

RESOLVED –

- (1) T H A T the contents of the Qualified Surveyor's report be noted.
- (2) T H A T the Operational Manager for Property be instructed to engage with all known owners of the land surrounding the site regarding access options, with the outcome to be reported to Committee in due course.

Reasons for decisions

- (1) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.
- (2) In order that all relevant parties are consulted regarding further options and that Committee are fully informed prior to reaching a decision regarding this matter.