RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Monday, 13 February 2012

Decision No: (CAB 11/12 7687)

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	HOUSING
SUBJECT:	HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT LAND SALES
AUTHOR:	David Jones

THE DECISION

(i) Where requests to purchase HRA land are received the authority will seek, wherever possible and in its best interests, to sell the land rather than to grant a lease or licence.

(ii) The existing mechanism of granting a lease or licence will be retained for situations where sale of the land would not be in the authority's best interests, for instance, where this might prejudice a subsequent development.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The disposal of land to enable residents to improve their home or immediate environment and empowers local residents and will contribute to happy, sustainable communities

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The Council could continue to adopt a position of leasing smaller packages of HRA land to applicants and not give the option of buying, except in exceptional circumstances as per existing policy. This approach is not preferred as it limits residents' ability to improve their home and immediate environment. There is also a loss of potential income to the HRA if this approach is adopted.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD
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Date:	Decision Maker:
13 February 2012	The Cabinet
	Proper Officer: Judy Cordell

SCRUTINY
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Date of Call-in *(if applicable) (this suspends implementation)*
Call-in Procedure completed *(if applicable)*
Call-in heard by *(if applicable)*
Results of Call-in *(if applicable)*