

## RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

Tuesday, 21 April 2015

**Decision No:** (CAB 14/15 14413)

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	LEADER OF THE COUNCIL
SUBJECT:	MAYFLOWER PARK - SPITFIRE MEMORIAL DISPOSAL OF PUBLIC OPEN SPACE
AUTHOR:	ALI MEW

### THE DECISION

- (i) To delegate authority to the Director, Place following consultation with the Head of Economic Development and Housing Renewal to determine the form and extent of the area of Mayflower Park required within the final location for the formation of the installation.
- (ii) To authorise the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to advertise the proposed disposal of part of Mayflower Park for two consecutive weeks in a local newspaper circulating in the locality.
- (iii) To delegate Authority to Director, Place following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Resources and Leisure to determine any objections received from the adverts and to make a final decision as to whether or not to approve the disposal in light of any such objections.
- (iv) To approve the terms of the disposal as set out within the report and to delegate authority to the Head of Economic Development and Housing Renewal to agree final terms with the National Spitfire Project.
- (v) To approve the acquisition of a small section of Crown Estate land (seabed), which will be subject to the overhang of the memorial and to delegate authority to Head of Economic Development and Housing Renewal to agree final terms for the acquisition.

### REASONS FOR THE DECISION

1. The National Spitfire Project have secured Full Planning Consent for the installation of a Spitfire Memorial. The planning consent is for the installation to be erected within Mayflower Park on the Solent edge of the park with a small proportion of the structure overhanging the waterfront. The design is shown in Appendix 1.
2. The Council recognises that the National Spitfire Project requires certainty over the siting of the installation in advance of commencing fund raising. This report enables the Council to progress with agreeing the final location of the memorial, advertising the disposal and agreeing terms. These actions will

provide the Charity the certainty required to fund raise.

3. The design provides for an overhang over the water which is within the ownership of the Crown Estate. The acquisition enables the Council to grant a single lease over the land upon which the memorial will be sited including the overhang, this removes the necessity for two leases to be granted for this single installation.

#### **DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

1. Refuse the Charity's request to install the Memorial within the grounds of Mayflower Park, this has been rejected as the Park is seen as a highly suitable location in relation to the Royal Pier development and in improving access to the waterfront whilst enhancing the parks overall appeal.
2. Delay the matter until Royal Pier has progressed for the installation of the memorial. This has been rejected as the Charity need sufficient time to secure funding for the construction and installation of the Memorial and to be certain the project has the necessary consents and approvals in place for its location.

#### **OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION**

None.

#### **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

None.

#### **CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD**

We certify that the decision this document records was made in accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 and is a true and accurate record of that decision.

Date:

21 April 2015

Decision Maker:

The Cabinet

Proper Officer:

Judy Cordell

**SCRUTINY**

Note: This decision will come in to force at the expiry of 5 clear days (as set out in the Constitution) from the date of publication subject to any review under the Council's Scrutiny "Call-In" provisions.

Call-In Period

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)*