

Report to Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny & Policy Development Committee on 24th October 2018

Report of:	Executive Director Place	

Subject: INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER DECISION ON THE

DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY AT MOUNT PLEASANT,

SHARROW LANE - UPDATE

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Summary: At its meeting of the 14th March the Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee considered the Individual Cabinet Member decision on the disposal of Property at Mount Pleasant, Sharrow Lane. The Committee agreed to take no action in relation to the called-in decision, but requested that the Cabinet Member for Finance and the Chair of the Scrutiny Committee meet with representatives of Avenues to Zero, at the earliest possible opportunity, to explain to them, more fully, the underlying reasons behind the Individual Cabinet Member Decision. This report provides an update to members of the committee on the outcome of that meeting.

Type of item: The report author should tick the appropriate box

Reviewing of existing policy	
Informing the development of new policy	
Statutory consultation	
Performance / budget monitoring report	
Cabinet request for scrutiny	
Full Council request for scrutiny	
Call-in of Cabinet decision	
Briefing paper for the Scrutiny Committee	Х
Other	

The Scrutiny Committee is being asked to:

To note the contents of the report.

Background Papers:

Minutes of the Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee 14th March 2018

Category of Report: OPEN

Report of the Executive Director Place

CALL-IN OF THE INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER DECISION ON THE DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY AT MOUNT PLEASANT, SHARROW LANE

1. Introduction/Context

1.1 At its meeting of the 14th March the Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee considered the Individual Cabinet Member decision on the disposal of Property at Mount Pleasant Sharrow Lane. The Committee agreed to take no action in relation to the called-in decision, but requested that the Cabinet Member for Finance and the Chair of the Scrutiny Committee meet with representatives of Avenues to Zero, at the earliest possible opportunity, to explain to them, more fully, the underlying reasons behind the Individual Cabinet Member Decision. This report provides members of the committee with an update on the outcome of that meeting.

2. Main body of report, matters for consideration, etc

- 2.1 Following the Committees decision on 14th March, a meeting was held on the 9th April 2018 at the Town Hall Sheffield to provide detailed feedback to Avenues to Zero. Attendees at the meeting were Jonny Douglas and Penny Raven of Avenues to Zero, and Cabinet Member for Finance, Chair of the Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee, Local Councillors (Cllr Jim Steinke, Cllr Douglas Johnson and Councillor Mohammed Maroof) and the Head of Property Services.
- 2.2 At the meeting the Avenues to Zero team were provided with detailed feedback on why their bid had been unsuccessful. In addition the Cabinet member for Finance reiterated that the Council recognised that there were some good ideas in the bid from Avenues to Zero and that it would be willing to explore whether there were other sites which would be suitable to develop some of their ideas. The Avenues to Zero team were provided with information of the sites the Council currently has available for disposal.
- 2.3 Since the meeting further discussion has been held between the Cabinet Member for Business and Investment, the Castlegate Programme Director and representatives of Avenues to Zero to explore whether some of the ideas put forward by Avenues to Zero could be developed in the Castlegate area. However Avenues to Zero have not pursued this beyond the initial discussion.

3. Recommendation

3.1 The Committee is asked to note the content of this report.