

Record of operational decision

Decision title:	Disposal of land at Grandstand Road
Date of decision:	01/04/2026
Decision maker:	Commercial and Investment Manager
Authority for delegated decision:	The Scheme of Delegation for the Corporate Services directorate updated December 2025 line 34 gives the Commercial and Investment Manager authority to take this decision "To negotiate and agree terms regarding the acquisition (including compulsory purchase) and disposal of property assets and legal interests."
Ward:	Bobblestock
Consultation:	Internal consultation only
Decision made:	To dispose of a small area of adjacent to Grandstand Road to the neighbouring house owner for nil consideration.
Reasons for decision:	<p>A request has been received for the transfer from the adjacent house owner.</p> <p>The Highway Adoptions and Infrastructure Improvements Delivery Manager has confirmed that the land is no longer required for future highway improvements.</p> <p>For more than 30 years the land has been fenced off and maintained to a high standard as part of the garden of the adjacent house, there has been no attempt by the council to restrict this occupation.</p> <p>It is considered that a claim for adverse possession by the house owner would be successful.</p>
Equality Considerations	The land has not been advertised for sale as there are no other potential purchasers or users of this land
Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:	The council's costs in this transfer will be met by the acquiring house owner.
Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:	Refusing the request would likely result in an ultimately successful claim for adverse possession at an additional administrative and financial burden to the house owner
Details of any declarations of interest made:	None

Signed..... Date: 01/04/2026

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