Record of officer decision

Decision title:	Community asset transfer (CAT) of freehold interest in land at The Maltings Dormington
Date of decision:	30 May 2022
Decision maker:	Strategic Assets Delivery Director (formerly Acting Head of Property)
Authority for delegated decision:	Economy and Place Directorate's scheme of delegation dated 23 December 2021 (line 54) gives the Strategic Assets Delivery Director (formerly Acting Head of Property)the authority to take the decision
Ward:	Backbury
Consultation:	With Cabinet Member Commissioning, Procurement & Assets and Ward Member who are supportive of the proposal to transfer the property to Dormington & Mordiford Parish Council (the PC)
Decision made:	Approve the completion of the community asset transfer of freehold interest in land at The Maltings Dormington
Reasons for decision:	 The land at The Maltings is owned by the council and is designated as public open space by a restrictive covenant on the registered title In line with the council's CAT policy the PC have submitted a reasoned case demonstrating their experience in maintaining other land in the vicinity, that they have the financial resource to do so and the social and community value they can deliver as a result of the transfer The following terms have been agreed- The transfer to proceed for a consideration of £1.00 on the basis that the case has been made for a successful and financially sustainable project delivering social and community value That the use will be restricted to public open space for the benefit of the local residents All management and maintenance liabilities will transfer to the PC That the PC will pay the Council legal and other costs in the matter
Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:	Community use of the land is protected by the restrictive covenant on the land and the transfer will be drafted by the council's legal team and contain appropriate covenants to safeguard the council's position
Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:	The land could be retained by the council who would continue to be responsible for the cost of on-going maintenance and management

Details of any declarations	None
of interest made:	

I am an officer delegated to make the decision

Signed:

- Print Name: Sarah Jowett
- Job Title: Strategic Assets Delivery Director