



## **BRECKLAND COUNCIL**

### **DELEGATED DECISION RECORD**

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<b>Portfolio/Cabinet</b>	Cabinet
<b>Report Title (&amp; Reference No.)</b>	Vacant and Surplus Land – Options (Agenda item 8)
<b>Summary Background</b>	To agree the release of £130,000 revenue funding and to grant power to the appropriate Director to offer a contract to a consultant(s) offering best value to submit planning applications on 11 vacant and surplus Council-owned sites and commence with negotiations with developers and housing associations to achieve the maximum commercial return, once the Council's procurement process has been adhered to.
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<b>Ward(s) Affected</b>	
<b>Urgent?</b>	No
<b>Key Decision?</b>	No
<b>In Forward Plan?</b>	Yes
<b>Date Decision Taken</b>	Tuesday, 12 February 2008
<b>Date Published</b>	Thursday 14 February 2008
<b>Call-In Expiry</b>	Thursday, 21 February 2008
<b>Exempt Information?</b>	No
<b>Decision (Action Agreed)</b>	1) That £130,000 of revenue funds be released and power be given to the appropriate Director to offer a contract to a consultant(s) offering best value to

	<p>submit planning applications on 11 vacant and surplus Council-owned sites and commence negotiations with developers and housing associations to achieve the maximum commercial return, once the Council's procurement process has been adhered to.</p> <p>2) Consultants be chosen through a tendering process which complies with the principle of best value procurement and Breckland's current Procurement Strategy and EU procurement regulations.</p>
<b>Reasons(s)</b>	To progress this innovative scheme.
<b>Options</b>	<p>1) That funds of £130,000 be released and that power be given to the appropriate Director to offer a contract to consultant(s) offering best value to submit planning applications on 11 vacant and surplus Council-owned sites and commence with negotiations with developers and housing associations to achieve the maximum commercial return, once the Council's procurement process has been adhered to.</p> <p>2) That an exception to standing order be applied in this case. That funds of £130,000 be released and that power be given to the appropriate Director to instruct Allman Woodcock Ltd, David Futter Associates Ltd and Edwin Watson Partnership to submit planning applications on 11 vacant and surplus Council-owned sites as mentioned in the report and commence with negotiations with developers and housing associations to achieve the maximum commercial return.</p>
<b>Further Information</b>	<p>Vacant and Surplus Land Report</p> <p>Vacant and Surplus Land Proforma B Appendix A</p> <p>Vacant and Surplus Land Plans Appendix B</p> <p>Vacant and Surplus Land Outline Timetable Appendix C</p>