

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Executive Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Executive Member for Commercial Strategy, Estates and Property
Date:	11 October 2021
Title:	Woodcot Lodge Nursing Home, 12 Rowner Road, Gosport PO13 0EW
Report From:	Director of Culture, Communities and Business Services
(Summary of an Exempt Decision)	

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1. The decision:

- 1.1 That the Executive Member for Commercial Strategy, Estates and Property approves the acquisition of a freehold interest of the property known as Woodcot Lodge, 12 Rowner Road, Gosport, at the cost set out in the exempt report, subject to approval of the capital funding provision by the County Council on 4th November 2021.
- 1.2 That the Director, Culture, Communities and Business Services, in consultation with the Director of Corporate Operations, be authorised to settle the detailed terms and conditions that may be required within the parameters set out in the exempt report as may be deemed necessary to conclude the freehold acquisition.
- 1.3 That the Director, Culture, Communities and Business Services be authorised to approve any associated, necessary legal agreements to enable the freehold acquisition to proceed, to include, if necessary, an extension to the existing lease under which the County Council currently occupy the property, on the same terms, until completion of the acquisition.

2. Reasons for the decision:

- 2.1 Woodcot Lodge (Clarence Unit) is a discharge to assess (D2A) facility which has been operated since June 2020 by HCC Care in partnership with the NHS as part of the Covid-19 response for patients discharged from Queen Alexandra Hospital, Portsmouth.
- 2.2 HCC Care currently occupy the property by way of a short term lease, which is due to expire on 31 March 2022. The acquisition of the freehold of this property is now proposed to secure this facility together with all the other

D2A facilities under the County Council's ownership and to provide Adults' Health and Care with the ability to also use the property for step up care when capacity allows.

- 2.3 Funding provision for the purchase is by prudential borrowing as set out in the Medium Term Financial Strategy report which will be presented to Cabinet on 12th October 2021 and is due to be approved by the County Council on 4th November.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

- 3.1 The options of continuing occupation of Woodcot Lodge under the current lease arrangement or identifying an alternative location for the service have been considered.

4. Conflicts of interest:

- 4.1 Conflicts of interest declared by the decision-maker: None.
4.2 Conflicts of interest declared by other Executive Members consulted: None.

5. Dispensation granted by the Conduct Advisory Panel: None.

6. Reason(s) for the matter being dealt with if urgent: Not Applicable.

7. Statement from the Decision Maker:

Approved by:

Date:

11 October 2021

**Councillor S Forster
Executive Member for Commercial Strategy, Estates
and Property**