West Sussex County Council

Proposed Executive Decision for 22 July 2019 call-in deadline 5 p.m. on 31 July 2019

The following proposed decision has been endorsed by the Cabinet Member and will come into effect at the end of the call-in period unless the call-in procedure is activated.

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Decision Title & Ref No:	Capital Funding: Demolition of County Buildings in Crawley FR07 (19-20)
Cabinet Member responsible for Decision	Mr Hunt - Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources
West Sussex Plan priority	A Prosperous Place
Electoral Divisions	Northgate & West Green
Key Decision	Yes
Purpose	In August 2017 the Leader approved the Crawley Growth Programme LDR04 17.18 and following approval of the business case by the West Sussex Local Enterprise Partnership, delegated authority to the Executive Director Economy, Infrastructure and Environment (now the Director of Place Services) to progress the projects. Redevelopment of the County Buildings site in Crawley, currently within West Sussex County Council ownership, is central to achieving committed outcomes in both the Crawley Growth Programme and the One Public Estate Programme. Initial viability work has identified the opportunity to deliver up to 195 homes and 4,780sqm of commercial space on the site offering an annual yield of over £1m and a significant capital receipt. Much of the site is empty, has been dormant for a number of years and was declared surplus to county council requirements in January 2018 FR17 17.18. A few services remain on the site and work in underway to relocate these.
Decision	The Cabinet Member has approved: a) The progression of plans to re-locate remaining occupiers in the property owned by the County Council at County Buildings in Crawley b) The allocation of £0.857m of funding in the Capital Programme to enable the demolition of the property owned by the County Council at County Buildings in Crawley: and to c) Delegate to the Executive Director Place Services the authority to award the demolition contract and progress the proposals to re-develop the County Buildings, Crawley site. Additional key decisions will be published as appropriate.
Interest and nature of interest declared	None
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Background Papers	See report for details