

Executive Member for Resources

Friday, 19 October 2007

Present: Councillor Alan Cullens (Executive Member for Resources)

Officers: Catherine Jagger (Liberata Property Services Officer) and Tony Uren (Democratic Services Officer)

07.21 DECLARATIONS OF ANY INTERESTS

The Executive Member had no reason to declare an interest in the item under consideration at the meeting.

07.22 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

Decision made:

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the ground that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

07.23 57-59 MARKET STREET, CHORLEY - ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE OF CAFE

The Executive Member for Resources considered a report from the Property Services Leader with Liberata on the recommended assignment of the residue of the lease of the ground floor café at 57-59 Market Street, Chorley.

A 10 year lease of the ground floor of 57-59 Market Street, was granted in March 2006 to enable the premises to trade as a café. The current tenant intended to emigrate shortly and had proposed that the remainder of the lease be transferred to a person interested in continuing the café business. If agreed, the proposed assignee would assume responsibility for the existing lease terms and conditions.

The outcome of the Property Services Officer's investigations into the proposed assignee's references was outlined in the report, as a result of which the Officer had been satisfied as to the suitability of the assignee.

Decision made under delegated authority:

That approval be given to the assignment of the remainder of the current 10 year lease of the ground floor café at 57-59 Market Street, Chorley to Mrs S M A Booth, subject to satisfactory references being obtained.

Reason for decision:

The assignment of the lease will enable both the operation of the café business and the Council's income source to continue.

Alternative option(s) considered and rejected:

No other assignee has been proposed, so, consequently, no alternative had been considered.

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