

Record of Urgent Executive Decision(s)

1. Subject of decision

Award of Demolition Contract, Unicorn House, North Shields

2. Name and Title of Decision Maker

The Head of Commissioning and Asset Management

3. Details of any Conflict of Interest and any Dispensation granted in respect of such Interest

None

4. Executive summary

As part of the Ambition for North Tyneside and North Shields Master Plan, Cabinet gave approval on 20 January 2020 to the acquisition of Unicorn House with the intention of the site being cleared in preparation for a housing-led regeneration scheme complementing the on-going work at Northumberland Square and the emerging North Shields Masterplan. The purchase of the property was subsequently completed on 6 February 2020.

Cabinet gave further approval on 30 March 2020 for officers to commence a procurement exercise in respect of the asbestos removal and demolition contract for the building.

This report seeks delegated approval to award the asbestos removal and demolition contract to Supplier 3 as detailed in the officer scoring matrix attached as an appendix to the report.

5. Alternative Options considered

To decline the award of the asbestos removal and demolition contract in which case the existing building will remain standing on the site.

6. Decision

The Head of Commissioning and Asset Management approved the recommendations at paragraph 1.2 of the report and agreed to the award of the asbestos and demolition contract to Supplier 3.

7. Reasons for the Decision

The demolition and redevelopment of the Unicorn House site will add immediate and significant value to the Authority's regeneration proposals for North Shields Town Centre as confirmed in the Authority's Ambition for North Tyneside.

9. Date Decision Made

Friday 4 September 2020

9. Is this decision subject to call-in and if so expiry date of call-in period

Yes, the call-in period expires at 5pm on Friday 11 September 2020

10. Date of Publication

Friday 4 September 2020

11. Implementation Date (if decision not called in)

After 5pm on Friday 11 September 2020