

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 14/16

14 MARCH 2016

The purpose of this paper is to ask the Town Council to approve formally a request to the Isle of Wight Council for the freehold transfer of six areas of land.

No. DETAIL

I) BACKGROUND

- a) Report 106/16 on Asset Transfers recorded the sequence of meetings with the Isle of Wight Council about the potential for freehold transfer of assets to Town and Parish Councils.
- b) The last of those was a meeting the Mayor and Clerk were invited to with the then Deputy Chief Executive John Metcalfe on 25 November at which a list of buildings, facilities and land for potential transfer was presented and discussed, receiving a positive response as reported to the Town Council meeting of 14 December 2014.
- c) To date only the four public toilets have been agreed for freehold transfer that will become effective on 1 April 2015.
- d) This Report seeks Town Council approval for progressing the freehold transfer of six areas of land.

2) LAND AREAS

The land areas proposed are:

- Land opposite St Boniface School
- o Land around the Eastern Esplanade Toilets & Padding Pool
- Land adjacent to St Margaret's Hall
- Land adjacent to Rayners off Lowtherville Road
- Land occupied by the Skatepark
- Land forming the East Cliff Car Park

3) RECOMMENDATION

The Town Council is recommended to authorise the Town Clerk, advised by the Public Buildings Working Group, to continue discussions with the Isle of Wight Council with the aim of securing the freehold transfer of these areas of land.