



## MY NEIGHBOURHOOD

### DUNDRY VIEW NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP

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**Title:** Proposed Community Asset Transfer

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#### Recommendation

- The Dundry View Neighbourhood Partnership is asked to make any comments on the proposals, either in support or against, and to briefly set out the grounds for its views.

**New Lease of scout hut and land at Headley Park School, Headley Lane, BS13 7QB to the 11<sup>th</sup> Bristol Air Scout Group.**

#### 1. BACKGROUND:

- This is an application for a small piece of land and scout building, which is located adjacent to Headley Park Primary School; access is from a track to the south of 96 Headley Park Ave.
- The property has been in continuous scout use since at least the 1980s and the current occupants (the Air Scouts) have been in occupation since 1984.
- The current Lease expired in 2012 and the scouts have applied for a new Lease on similar terms.
- The Scout Group has provided a satisfactory business plan, supporting evidence and details of the Group's current and anticipated finances; the Group meets the council's CAT requirements and have submitted details of how it meets the pre-VISIBLE quality standard.
- Headley Park Primary School has confirmed that it does not object to the proposed arrangements for a new Lease.

#### 2. PROPOSAL:

- The council proposes to grant a new 25 year Lease to the 11<sup>th</sup> Bristol Air Scout Group.
- The Lease will be subject to a Service Agreement, which will set out a range of services that the Group will deliver each year from the property; this will include a requirement to make the building available for hire by other community groups when not in use by the Scouts' for their own use.
- The rent will be reduced to a peppercorn for as long as the Service Agreement is complied with.
- The Group will be responsible for the upkeep of the property and for all outgoings associated with managing and operating it, including all repairs, maintenance and insurance.

### 3. PROCESS:

- The Dundry View Neighbourhood Partnership is asked to make any comments on the proposals, either in support or against, and to briefly set out the grounds for its views.
- Officers in the Community Assets Team will then prepare a report for the Service Director Property, who will make a final decision on the proposed CAT as soon as possible.
- It is hoped that the Lease can be agreed during June/July 2016 and completed within 4 months from approval.

## Public Sector Equality Duty

Before making a decision, section 149 Equality Act 2010 requires the Neighbourhood Partnership to consider the need to promote equality for persons with the following “relevant protected characteristics”: **age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation**. The Neighbourhood Partnership must, therefore, have due regard to the need to:

- Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation
- Advance equality of opportunity between different groups who share a relevant protected characteristic and those who do not share it.
- Foster good relations between different groups who share a relevant protected characteristic and those who do not share it.

*The duty to have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination in the area of employment, also covers marriage and civil partnership*