

Key Decision Details

Decision Name REVIEW OF THE OWNERSHIP AND MAINTENANCE OF ORPHAN SITES

Date of Decision 16 June 2016

Decision maker Cabinet

Approve the proposed treatment of the categories of orphan sites in respect to future ownership and maintenance arrangements, as detailed in paragraph 3.2 of the Officer's report, as follows:

Describe the Decision taken

- a) Maintenance activities to cease on the 60 privately owned sites and the one utility company site, as of 31 July 2016.
- b) Having been advised of the need to adopt the 66 sites identified as part of the Highway under their statutory function as the Highway Authority, the costs of maintaining these sites to be included in the negotiations already taking place with Cambridgeshire County Council.
- c) The additional costs of maintaining 23 Luminus sites to be directly recharged to Luminus for 2016/17.
- d) That the District Council adopt 42 of the orphan sites and continue to maintain these sites, having been identified in the review as sites being appropriate for the Council to own.
- e) Further review work to be carried out regarding the 23 sites yet to have ownership determined.

What were the reasons for taking the Decision?

To propose a resolution to a long standing anomaly regarding the orphan sites and to establish clear proposals for their future

ownership and maintenance that are sustainable within the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy.

What alternative options were considered and rejected?	None considered.
Conflict of interest and dispensation	None declared.
Is the decision a Key Decision?	Yes
Was the decision included in the Forward Plan	Yes
Was the decision subject to the urgency proceedings?	No
List the background papers to any report considered by the Decision Taker	None
Person Making this report	Melanie Sage
Date upon which the Decision will come into force, subject to no call-in	29 June 2016
Accompanying Documents	Review of the Ownership and Maintenance of Orphan Sites