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# Agenda

## Cabinet

Date: **Thursday 8 December 2016**

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Time: **12.30 pm**

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Place: **Reception Room**

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# Cabinet

## Membership

**Chair** Councillor John Clarke

**Vice-Chair** Councillor Michael Payne

Councillor Peter Barnes  
Councillor David Ellis  
Councillor Kathryn Fox  
Councillor Jenny Hollingsworth  
Councillor Henry Wheeler

**Observers:** Councillor Chris Barnfather

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Agenda Item 9 contains a not for publication appendix. In order to discuss the contents of this it will be necessary to pass the below motion to exclude the press and public.  
  
To move that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the ensuing report on the grounds that the report involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.
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## **MINUTES CABINET**

**Thursday 3 November 2016**

Councillor John Clarke (Chair)

Councillor Michael Payne  
Councillor Peter Barnes  
Councillor David Ellis

Councillor Jenny Hollingsworth  
Councillor Henry Wheeler

Observers: Councillor Chris Barnfather

Absent: Councillor Kathryn Fox

Officers in Attendance: H Barrington, M Hill, J Robinson, D Wakelin and  
A Dubberley

**34 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Fox.

**35 TO APPROVE, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 29 SEPTEMBER 2016.**

**RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the above meeting, having been circulated, be approved as a correct record.

**36 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**

None.

**37 QUARTER 2 BUDGET MONITORING, PERFORMANCE DIGEST & VIREMENT REPORT**

The Deputy Chief Executive introduced a report, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, informing Members of the likely outturn of the Revenue and Capital Budgets for the 2016/17 financial year as at the end of Quarter 2. The Chief Executive provided some details of action that was being taken to address performance indicators that were currently below expectations.

**RESOLVED to:**

- 1) Note the progress against Improvement Actions and Performance Indicators in the 2016/19 Gedling Plan;
- 2) Approve the changes to the Indicators as detailed in paragraph 2.1.5 of the report as an amendment to the agreed Gedling Plan;
- 3) Approve the General Fund Revenue Budget virements included within Appendix 1 to the report;
- 4) Approve the changes to the capital programme included in paragraph 2.2.3 of the report; and
- 5) Note the virements and transfers to/from reserves and funds during the last quarter as detailed in appendices 3 and 4 to the report.

**38 PRUDENTIAL CODE INDICATOR MONITORING 2016/17 AND QUARTERLY TREASURY ACTIVITY REPORT FOR QUARTER ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2016**

The Deputy Chief Executive introduced a report, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, informing Members of the performance monitoring of the 2016/17 Prudential Code Indicators, and advising Members of the quarterly treasury activity, as required by the Treasury Management Strategy.

**RESOLVED:**

To note the report, together with the Treasury Activity Report for Quarter 2 at Appendix 1 to the report, and the Prudential and Treasury Indicator Monitoring for Quarter 2 at Appendix 3 to the report.

**39 ADOPTION OF PLAYING PITCH STRATEGY**

The Service Manager, Community Relations, introduced a report, which was circulated prior to the meeting, presenting the Playing Pitches Strategy for adoption.

**RESOLVED to:**

- 1) Adopt the Gedling Playing Pitch Strategy and Action Plan 2016-2026 while recognising its delivery will be determined within the parameters of the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan;
- 2) Approve that officers should work with partners when assessing the strategic development of improved or new outdoor sports provision in the Borough and develop a prioritised list of actions to direct this work; and

- 3) Approve the annual review of the Strategy and Action Plan in line with the expectations of Sport England and National Governing Bodies.

**40 LOCALITIES UPDATE AND LOTTERY BID FOR DEPRIVED WARDS**

The Service Manager for Community Relations introduced a report, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, updating Members on the work of Locality Co-ordinators.

**RESOLVED to:**

- 1) Note the progress made in delivering the plans in Killisick, Netherfield and Newstead;
- 2) Approve, in principle, the development of a holistic approach to assist with challenges of child poverty in the Borough; and
- 3) Approve further work towards obtaining lottery funding as detailed in the report.

**41 ALLOCATION OF CIL RECEIPTS FROM THE GEDLING COLLIERY DEVELOPMENT**

The Director of Organisational Development and Democratic Services introduced a report, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, dealing with matters relating to the allocation of Community Infrastructure Levy funds collected from the Gedling Colliery development.

**RESOLVED:**

- 1) To recommend to Council that:
  - (a) Authority is given to commit up to a maximum of £4,488,120 as a contribution to the Gedling Access Road ("GAR") to be financed by Community Infrastructure Levy ("CIL") receipts predominantly from the Colliery development and that the final contribution to the GAR from CIL receipts be the equivalent value of the actual amount of CIL received from the Gedling Colliery development that is required to construct the GAR if less than £4,488,120; and
  - (b) Approval is given to establish a budget for the contribution to the GAR subject to the CIL actually being received and profiled in accordance with the timescale of receipt.

- 2) That, subject to budget approval, the Director of Organisational Development and Democratic Services is authorised to enter into an agreement with Nottinghamshire County Council facilitating the transfer of CIL receipts to Nottinghamshire County Council to fund and/or reimburse funding for the construction of the GAR.

**42 FORWARD PLAN**

Consideration was given to a report of the Service Manager, Elections and Members' Services, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, detailing the Executive's draft Forward Plan for the next four month period.

It was reported that an additional item had been added since the publication of the agenda concerning the feasibility of acquiring Arnold Market and that the Forward Plan would be republished to reflect this. The issue would be considered at the December meeting of Cabinet.

**RESOLVED:**

To note the report and that a revised forward plan would be published shortly.

**43 MEMBER'S QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS.**

None.

**44 PROGRESS REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS.**

**Councillor Peter Barnes (Environment)**

- Works at the Jubilee Depot to install new welfare facilities have finished and would be opened soon.
- Work had started to install Christmas lighting around the Borough.
- The play area at Gedling Country Park was now open and has received positive feedback

**Councillor Jenny Hollingsworth (Growth and Regeneration)**

- Employability sessions at local secondary schools taking place.
- An Apprenticeship Fair had been set for next March.
- Affordable homes construction at Cavendish Road and Maiden Vale would be starting soon.
- An inspector had been recently appointed for the examination phase of the local plan which would take place next year.

**Councillor Gary Gregory (Policy Advisor for Community Engagement)**



- Work on the Asset Transfer of Arnold Hill Community Centre was continuing.
- Floodlights at the sports pitches in Newstead were now operational.
- The Gedling Youth Council were moving forward their work on tackling mental health issues and racism.
- Youth arts activities being delivered through the Nottingham Playhouse were taking place and well received.
- There was a successful arts and crafts event at Civic Centre for Halloween.
- The armed forces community covenant will be refreshed and re-promoted in the near future.
- Consideration was being given to making the Arnold Carnival a smoke free zone for next year following a suggestion from the Council's Tobacco working group.

#### **Councillor Henry Wheeler (Housing, Health and Well-being)**

- The Benefit cap imposed by Central Government comes into operation this week and affected residents are to be monitored.
- Nottinghamshire Community Housing Association has secured properties in the new Spring Lane development.
- Funding for Redhill Leisure Centre's new pitch is now secured.
- £100,000 of works at Calverton Leisure Centre to upgrade the facilities will begin shortly.
- Bonnington Theatre's winter schedule has been published and contains a varied programme of shows including cinema screenings.
- Eight premises in the Borough are now accredited as breast feeding friendly.
- A Park run event at Bestwood Country Park is under development.
- Councillor Scroggie had recently represented Members at the Mental Health Challenge Annual Meeting.
- Councillor Wheeler had recently completed the Alzheimer's society memory walk raising £800.

#### **Councillor Michael Payne (Resources and Reputation)**

- There will be a piece in the next Contacts magazine requesting dog owners to be responsible when using our parks.
- Thanks were given to Mike Caledine for all his work in establishing and running the Council's Accredited Training Centre.
- Well done for all of the positive achievements highlighted in the performance report earlier on the agenda.

#### **Councillor David Ellis (Public Protection)**

- A Taxi Driver was recently prosecuted and fined £10,000 for using a forged Gedling Licence. Changes to prevent future forgery have been made to our license plates as a result.
- The owner of an abandoned house in Burton Joyce was recently prosecuted for allowing his property to fall into disrepair and become a safety hazard. Officers were actively pursuing other similar empty properties in order to bring them back into use.
- A new CCTV camera was now operational in Newstead.

**45 ANY OTHER ITEMS THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT.**

None.

The meeting finished at 2.15 pm

Signed by Chair:  
Date:



## **Report to Cabinet**

**Subject:** Ley Street Play Area and Trim Trail

**Date:** 8 December 2016

**Author:** Director of Health and Community Wellbeing.

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### **Wards Affected**

1.1 Netherfield.

### **Purpose**

2.1 To seek approval to spend funding acquired through applications to Nottinghamshire County Council's Supporting Communities Programme and WREN on the provision of a Trim Trail and Play facility at Ley Street, Netherfield.

2.2 To establish, by virement, the capital programme expenditure and financing budgets for the Ley Street Play Area and Trim Trail.

### **Key Decision**

3.1 This is not a Key Decision.

### **Background**

4.1 The Netherfield Locality Steering Group agreed to develop a plan for Netherfield focused on the environmental improvement of the area. The Group agreed to procure the services of Nottinghamshire County Council Landscape Architect Team in 2014 to review the Environmental Spaces in and around Netherfield and provide a series of options for improvement.

4.2 The options formed part of a residents' consultation process that commenced in December 2014 through to February 2015. The preferred options were costed and formed part of a number of measures developed with the aim of the Council and its partners being able to bid for the additional resources required to make those options a reality.

4.3 Ley Street is one of these projects put forward as key to providing additional play facilities for the younger children as the only other facility available is Jackie Bells Playing Fields which is located some distance away.

4.4 The Ley Street Field is overlooked by family housing and situated not far from Netherfield Primary School who uses part of the field as its Playing Fields. The School was keen to see the site developed with play equipment and following consultation the outline designs were agreed with the school in February 2015. A decision was taken to submit two funding bids, one to Nottinghamshire Supporting communities funding Programme and the other to WREN to enable the implementation of the Trim Trail and Play Area.

## **Proposal**

5.1 The project management of the project is to be undertaken by Netherfield Locality Co-ordinator.

5.2 It is proposed that the Netherfield Locality Co-ordinator procure the Services of VIA East Midlands Landscape Architect Team to act as the contract administrator for the project. VIA will design the Trim Trail and Play Area, produce the design specification and evaluation criteria to be used as part of the tender documentation for the construction of the Trim Trail and Play Area, assist with the compilation of the tender documents and act as the first point of call for the contractors during the implementation of the work on site. VIA will liaise with the overall Project Manager on all decisions to be taken.

5.3 Detailed design work will be undertaken by VIA, to enable further consultation with Netherfield Primary School and local residents. Following the success of the funding applications to both Nottinghamshire Supporting Communities and WREN, the funding will be used for the design work as well as implementing the project and to pay the fees charged by VIA to undertake the work above.

5.4 Once designs are agreed the tender process for construction of the Trim Trail and play area will commence through the ESPO framework with the aim of starting on site January with a view to completing the project by March 2017 in line with discussions held with both funding bodies.

5.5 This report requests the establishment of the capital expenditure and financing budgets of £86,500 for construction of a new play area including a Trim Trail at Ley Street in Netherfield by approval of the following virement:

Ley Street Play Area & Trim Trail	£86,500
Financed By:	
External Grants and Contributions	(£83,500)
Revenue Contribution	( £3,000)

A full financial breakdown of the project is detailed at paragraph 7 below.

## Alternative Options

6.1 No other alternative options for locating the facilities were considered as the use of the site is restricted as part of the site used by Netherfield Primary School as its playing fields.

6.2 The alternative to not progressing this project is no additional facilities in Netherfield for exercise and play. This will mean the identified need of the local area for additional play facilities for younger children and places to exercise for the local community will not be met. The Council will lose the funding if we do not spend it on this project.

## Financial Implications

7.1 The full project breakdown and associated funding is shown in **Table 1** below:

<b>Table 1: Breakdown of Expenditure and Associated Funding</b>	
<b>Cost</b>	<b>£</b>
Cost of Play Area	45,700
Cost of Trim Trail	30,000
Project Management Costs	6,500
Contingency	4,300
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>86,500</b>

<b>Funding</b>	<b>£</b>
WREN Funding	45,800
Supporting Communities Funding	34,700
NCC Funding (Education)	3,000
Contribution from Parks & Street Care	1,500
Contribution from Community Safety	1,500
<b>Total Funding</b>	<b>86,500</b>

7.4 Grant conditions from funding bodies state that the scheme must be complete by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017, including construction, and total grant drawn down by this time, if the scheme slips beyond this date and deadlines cannot be met the remainder of the expenditure will be the liability of the Council, however, this is deemed to be unlikely and the timescales are currently expected to be met.

7.5 The project is being managed by Netherfield Locality Co-ordinator as agreed with the Service Manager for Parks and Street Care Services. VIA East Midlands Landscape Architect Team have agreed to undertake the Contract Administration at a cost of £6,500.

7.6 Revenue costs of the ongoing maintenance of this site will be contained within current budgets of Parks and Street Care.

## **Appendices**

8.1 None.

## **Background Papers**

9.1 None.

## **Recommendation(s)**

10.1 THAT approval be given for:

- spending funding acquired through applications to Nottinghamshire County Council's Supporting Communities Programme and WREN on the provision of a Trim Trail and Play facility at Ley Street, Netherfield.
- establishing, by virement, the capital programme expenditure and financing budgets for the Ley Street Play Area and Trim Trail.

## **Reasons for Recommendations**

- 11.1 To meet the identified community need for additional play facilities for younger children in Netherfield.
- 11.2 To support the delivery of the Council's Corporate Action to implement a range of activities to increase participation in sport and physical activity.



## **Report to Cabinet**

**Subject:** Forward Plan

**Date:** 8 December 2016.

**Author:** Service Manager, Elections and Members' Services

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### **Wards Affected**

Borough-wide.

### **Purpose**

To present the Executive's draft Forward Plan for the next four month period.

### **Key Decision**

This is not a Key Decision.

### **Background**

- 1 The Council is required by law to give to give notice of key decisions that are scheduled to be taken by the Executive.

A key decision is one which is financially significant, in terms of spending or savings, for the service or function concerned (more than £500,000), or which will have a significant impact on communities, in two or more wards in the Borough.

In the interests of effective coordination and public transparency, the plan includes any item that is likely to require an Executive decision of the Council, Cabinet or Cabinet Member (whether a key decision or not). The Forward Plan covers the following 4 months and must be updated on a rolling monthly basis. All items have been discussed and approved by the Senior Leadership Team.

### **Proposal**

- 2 The Forward Plan is ultimately the responsibility of the Leader and Cabinet as it contains Executive business due for decision. The Plan is therefore presented at this meeting to give Cabinet the opportunity to discuss, amend or delete any item that is listed.

### **Alternative Options**

- 3.1 Cabinet could decide not agree with any of the items are suggested for inclusion in the plan. This would then be referred back to the Senior Leadership Team.
- 3.2 Cabinet could decide to move the date for consideration of any item.

### **Financial Implications**

- 4 There are no financial implications directly arising from this report.

### **Appendices**

- 5 Appendix 1 – Forward Plan

### **Background Papers**

- 6 None identified.

### **Recommendation(s)**

It is recommended THAT Cabinet note the contents of the draft Forward Plan making comments where appropriate.

### **Reasons for Recommendations**

- 7 To promote the items that are due for decision by Gedling Borough Council's Executive over the following four month period.



Issue	Key Decision or Council Decision?	Who will decide and date of decision	Documents to be considered (only applicable to executive Key decisions)	Who will be consulted?	From whom can further information be obtained and representations made?
Proposed Sale of Community Centre and Former Bowling Green at Haywood Road, Mapperley Page 17	Key	Cabinet 2 February 2017	Proposed Sale of Community Centre and Former Bowling Green at Haywood Road, Mapperley	Immediate neighbouring residents and stakeholders will be consulted during a six week period which will expire in December 2016.	Katie Walters, Estates Surveyor katie.walters@gedling.gov.uk
Quarter 3 Budget Monitoring, Performance Digest & Virement Report	Key	Cabinet 2 February 2017			Alison Ball, Service Manager Finance alison.ball@gedling.gov.uk
Top Wighay Farm Development Brief	Not Key	Cabinet 2 February 2017	Top Wighay Farm Development Brief		Jo Gray, Planning Policy Manager joanna.gray@gedling.gov.uk



## Report to Cabinet

**Subject:** Proposed Purchase of Arnold Market

**Date:** 8 December 2016

**Author:** Estates Surveyor

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### Wards Affected

Located within the Borough's principal town centre, re-development of Arnold Market has the potential to impact on all wards within the Borough.

### Purpose

To seek approval to enter into negotiations to purchase Arnold Market (the site as shown edged red on the attached plan at Appendix 1) for no more than the maximum price set out in Exempt Appendix 2.

### Key Decision

This is a Key Decision because it has the potential to result in the Council incurring significant expenditure and to benefit residents across the Borough.

### Background

- 1.1 Arnold Market opened in 1968 and is located on the Market Place, just off the main pedestrian street running through Arnold Town Centre. The site, which is not within the Council's ownership, consists of fixed and covered stalls, five closable kiosks, a residential flat and a storage area. Once a vibrant and attractive asset for the town, the market has, over a number of years, deteriorated both in its physical environment and in the volume and range of goods and services that it offers.
  - 1.2 Despite having some 90 stalls permanently in situ, only a handful of regular market traders operate on the three days a week that the market is open (Tuesday, Friday and Saturday, plus a flea market on a Wednesday evening). As such the market is empty the majority of the time. This, along with the extremely poor physical quality of the stalls, presents an extremely negative impression of not only the market itself but also of the area of the town centre within which the market is located. Far from being a generator of footfall and adding vibrancy to the town, the prevailing view of shopkeepers and the wider community is that the market is currently a liability rather than an asset to the economic prosperity and environmental well-being of Arnold. This has been evidenced through face to face discussions with local traders and a survey undertaken by Nottingham Post. More recently, the depth of local feeling about the importance of the market and its longstanding poor condition has led to a social media campaign to take action to bring about improvements.
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- 1.3 While accepting that markets across the UK have experienced varying fortunes in recent years, Arnold Market is performing poorly when measured by the number of stall holders and the footfall it generates. Other markets in areas of Greater Nottingham successfully operate despite being in town centres that have comparable or less favourable trading conditions than Arnold. Examples include:-
- Bilborough, 15 stalls
  - Bulwell, 40 stalls
  - Clifton, 40 stalls
  - Hyson Green, 40 stalls
- 1.4 The Council has previously had discussions with the current owner and raised concerns about the condition and customer offer of the market. An invitation to explore the possibility of working together to make improvements was made but rejected.

## Proposals

- 2.1 Given the owner's intransigence to invest in the market, it is proposed that the Council enters into further dialogue with the owner with a view to bringing the market into Council ownership. This is considered to be justified given the importance of the market to the town and the fact that the market area is both an environmental eyesore and underachieving in terms of its contribution to the town's prosperity. Consideration has been given to establishing an alternative market elsewhere within the Town Centre, for example on Eagle Square. However, the site of the current market is in the right location and even if an alternative market were to operate successfully somewhere else, the poor environmental appearance of the current market area would remain needing to be addressed.
- 2.2 In seeking to bring the market into public ownership, the Council is looking to achieve three particular objectives. Firstly, to bring about improvements to the physical environment through the removal of the fixed stalls, refurbishment or demolition of the buildings, an upgrade of the storage/bin store and linked public realm improvements including landscaping, lighting, seating and paving. Secondly, to boost the economic performance of the town by generating more footfall through provision of a wider choice of market goods and services and thirdly, depending upon the operational activities of the market to include, a programme of community events and activities thus re-connecting this important asset with the town and the community.
- 2.3 There are plenty of examples around the Country and within Nottinghamshire of successful markets that use gazebos and temporary stalls that arrive on market day and are taken away at the end of the day. In addition, non-general markets have grown in popularity such as farmers' markets, book markets and vintage clothing markets. Removal of the fixed stalls would provide the flexibility to enable this wider offer as well as creating space for local events - seen as being a key ingredient to attract people to the town.
- 2.4 Generally the town centre is busy and has withstood the economic downtown comparably well, with vacancies being below the national average for town centres<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The average vacancy rate for all retail locations in England was 11.3% in June 2016 (Local Data Company).

and retention of virtually all of its national retailers (Boots, Wilkinsons, WH Smiths, New Look etc). With the northern end of the town anchored by footfall generating public services, (library, leisure centre and health centre) and a large supermarket (Asda), along with significant housing growth planned within the vicinity of the town and excellent public transport, there are positive prospects of being able to make a success of an improved market offer.

- 2.5 Notwithstanding this confident outlook, it must be borne in mind that the Council has no experience of operating a market. To assist with understanding the potential operational and financial implications, external advice has therefore been sought from regeneration consultants that have experience of advising on, and working with markets, and from Nottingham City Council, who currently operate a number of markets.
- 2.6 Based on the advice received, with improvements and under the right management, a re-vitalised Arnold Market operating 3 days a week would be expected to attract an average of 20 stalls a day.
- 2.7 It is proposed that Cabinet authorise Officers to enter into negotiations with the owner to acquire the market site by agreement. These negotiations will be conducted in accordance with the maximum price set out in Exempt Appendix 2. In the event that the owner agrees to sell the site to the Council, a further report will be prepared for Members to approve the purchase, establish the necessary budgets and add the programme of improvements to the capital programme.

### **Alternative Options**

- 3.1 The Council has no statutory responsibility for the market and could choose to leave things as they are. However, all the indications are that this would result in further deterioration of the market which would, in turn, have a detrimental effect on the wider town centre.
- 3.2 Reference to the Council establishing an alternative market has also been made earlier in the report. This option could lead to confusion for shoppers and in any case would fail to address the continued presence of the dilapidated market stalls on Market Square.

### **Financial Implications**

- 4.1 The approval to negotiate the acquisition of the market does not commit the Council to the purchase therefore there are no financial implications arising directly from this report.
- 4.2 However, indicative capital budget requirements have been considered to inform the decision to enter the negotiating process and these are discussed in Exempt Appendix 2. Following a successful acquisition the amount expended on obtaining the asset will be reported as part of the Council's annual accounts.

- 4.3 If negotiations are successful, formal budget approval from Council will be required prior to completion of the market purchase and this will be the subject of a future report. The method of financing the capital expenditure e.g. borrowing and any potential revenue implications will also be considered as part of the future report. The revenue costs of operating the market will depend upon the operating model selected e.g. in-house operation, commission external operator, partnership. An option appraisal will be completed to determine the most suitable model.

### **Appendices**

- 5 Appendix 1 Plan showing Arnold Market edged red.  
Appendix 2 Exempt Appendix 2 NOT FOR PUBLICATION.

### **Background Papers**

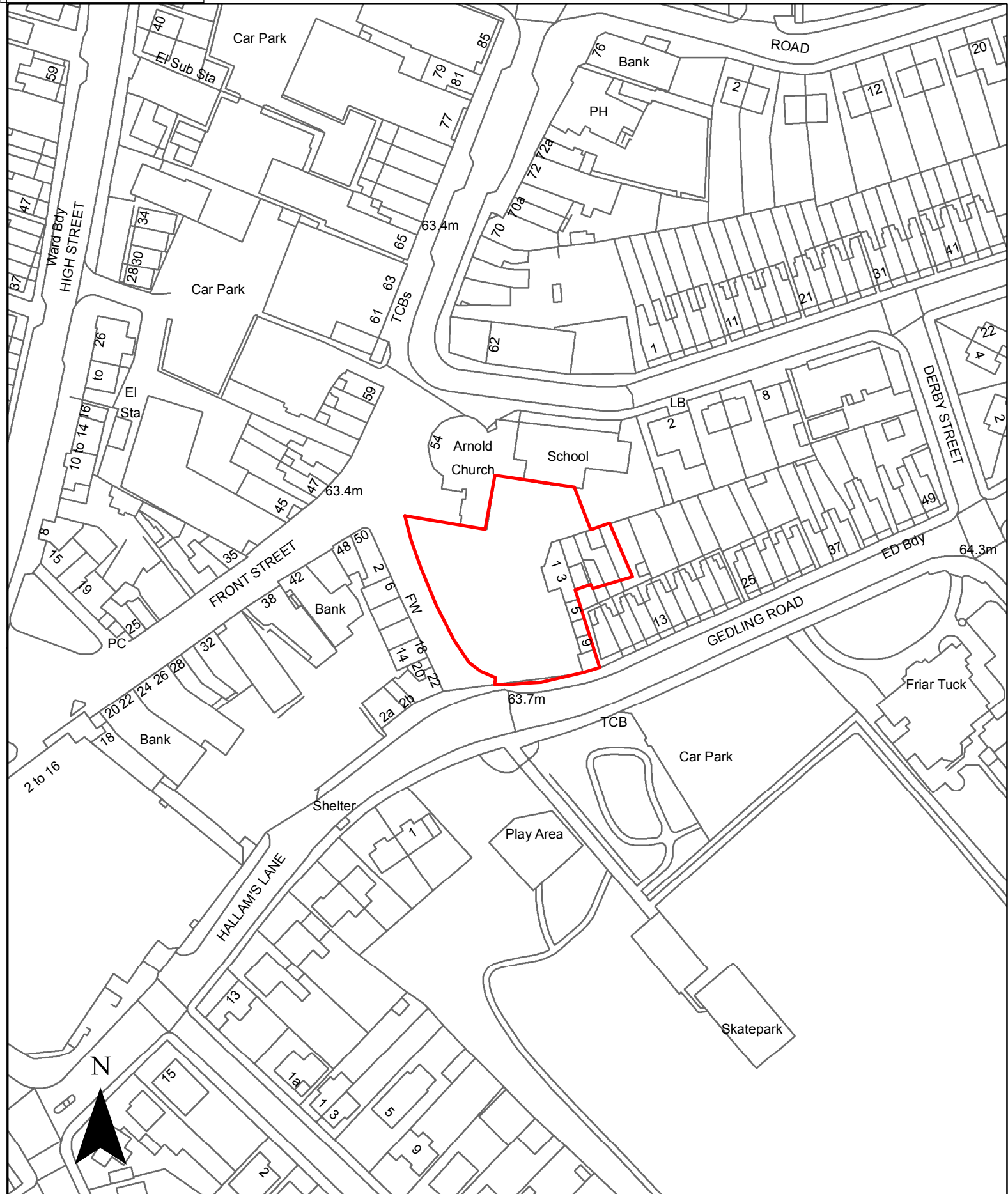
- 6 None

### **Recommendation**

**THAT** Officers are authorised to enter into negotiations to acquire the site for no more than the maximum price set out in Exempt Appendix 2 and report back to a future Cabinet meeting on the success or otherwise of the negotiations

### **Reasons for Recommendations**

- 7 To make progress towards achieving one of the Council's top priorities – improving Arnold Market.



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