Briefing Note on Issues included in the Forward Plan Issue 2004 /05

SERVICE AREA: Education, Arts & Libraries

Report ref	Report title
EAL 04/05 - 0069	Disposal of Lyon Park Infant & Junior Schools' Caretaker House – Surplus to Caretaking and School Educational Use

[This report was withdrawn from the 17 January 2005 Executive meeting, following discussions held at a preceding CMT meeting. Thereafter the report was again withdrawn from the meeting of the Executive on 12th April 2005.]

Summary

The Schools' respective governors declared the property surplus to their requirements in May 2004, on condition that up to 50% of proceeds are reinvested in the Schools. This is to reflect the Schools' past investment in the property out of school funds.

The Director of EAL gave instruction for valuations to be carried out in preparation of a Disposals report to Executive in January 2005. Subsequently, CMT decided that former caretakers' properties falling within the 'surplus to requirement' category in EAL should be assessed by Housing Directorate to establish whether the properties might be transferred for general housing needs, prior to being 'transferred' to Core Property Services for disposal (and the school being "incentivised" with a share of the otherwise notional receipts).

EAL expect that the Housing Directorate will complete the assessment by April 2005, after which a report will be submitted to Executive when relevant.

Nature of Decision to be taken / Intended Outcome

To note the reasons for not taking a report to Executive on the disposal of Lyon Park Junior and Infants Schools' caretaker's house.

Timescale for Decision

It is envisaged that an Executive Committee Report shall be available in June 2005.

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