



# HARTLEPOOL BOROUGH COUNCIL

## OFFICER DECISION RECORD

Department: Legal Department

Division: Legal Services

Date of Decision / Issue of Licence: 20th January 2021

Officer Making Decision: Chief Solicitor

Subject / Description & Reason for Decision: Settlement of a Dilapidation Claim  
To settle a claim on a commercial basis taking into consideration the litigation risk and cost which would otherwise have been incurred having to engage experts to prepare for and attend court hearings to resist the claim and or challenge the sums being claimed in respect of the repairs. It is an exempt decision record as it contains confidential information relating to the financial and business affairs of the landlord.

Type of Decision: Non Key

Nature of Delegation Being Exercised: Officer Delegated Authority

Alternative Options Considered & Rejected: To settle the claim in full or defend the claim in its entirety

Any Declared Register of Interest: No  
If Yes, specify:

### OFFICER WITH THE DELEGATION

Signatures for retained copy only

NAME: ...Hayley Martin.....  
POSITION: .Chief Solicitor.....