BOROUGH COUNCIL

OFFICER DECISION RECORD

Department:	Development, Neighbourhoods and Regulatory Services
Division:	Development and Growth- Estates and Asset Management Section
Date of Decision / Issue of Licence:	20 th June 2023
Officer Making Decision:	Denise McGuckin (Managing Director)
Subject / Description and Reason for Decision:	Lease of Council Owned Property
	Harbour approached the Council with a request to lease a Council owned property to provide a refuge for victims and survivors of domestic violence. Planning permission for a change of use has been sought and approved and terms agreed with Harbour.
	It is proposed that the Council enter into a lease agreement with Harbour for the purposes of providing temporary accommodation for refuge, crash pads and safe accommodation to ensure suitable safe accommodation options are available for victims and survivors of domestic abuse including their children. There is an identified need for this accommodation type and the proposal is supported by Child and Adult Services.
	The lease term is to be for 3 years outside the provisions of the Landlord and Tenant Act at a monthly rent of £596.57, to be reviewed annually in line with the Councils Housing Revenue Account rent setting policy. The lease is capable of being broken annually by either Landlord or tenant upon the giving of 2 months written notice. In the tenant's case this break is to be dependent upon proof of their funding for such service ceasing. Tenant is to be responsible for all repairs with the exception of the main structure, brickwork and the foundations.
Type of Decision:	Non Key

Committee Delegated Authority

ODR No.: 23 - 202

Nature of Delegation Being Exercised:

In accordance with paragraph 4.2 of the Delegation Scheme set out at Part 3 of the Constitution the Managing Director is authorised to exercise any of those functions delegated to the Directors and hereby exercises the delegation as set out below:

Power to approve land and property disposal, leases, lettings, licences, wayleaves, easements, undertaking and concluding rent reviews, lease renewals and the release and amendments of restrictions, covenants and other land and property matters within property matters within
prescribed thresholds as set out in the Finance and Policy committee arrangements

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected:

Not to grant the lease. This option was rejected as there is high demand for this accommodation type in Hartlepool.

Any Declared Register of Interest No

OFFICER WITH THE DELEGATION

NAME Denise McGuckin

POSITION: Managing Director

DATE: <u>20th June 2023</u>