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AGENDA

RECORD OF OFFICER DECISION MEETING

Date: Friday, 18 October 2019

Time: 10.00am

Venue: Cabinet Room, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 3HT

Quorum = 3

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1. Request for Waiver of Repayment of Disabled Facilities Grant

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Decision taken by the Head of Housing, Economy and Community Services.

Issued on Wednesday, 23 October 2019

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| NAME OF OFFICER MAKING DECISION (INCLUDING JOB TITLE) AND THE DECISION BEING MADE | Charlotte Hudson Head of Housing, Economy and community Services and Cllr Ben J Martin, Cabinet Member for Housing. To consider representation to waive repayment of the disabled facilities grant or part of the grant following the sale a property. |
| TITLE OF REPORT | Request for Waiver of Repayment of Disabled Facilities Grant |
| DATE THE DECISION WAS TAKEN | 18 October 2019 |
| SUMMARY OF REASONS FOR DECISION | Decision made – REFUSED request to waiver the full repayment but amended the amount to be repaid. The Council did invest a considerable sum to adapt the applicants existing home and whilst the reasons for moving are understood they feel this is a matter of choice and are also satisfied the repayment of part of the grant will not cause financial hardship. The Council therefore feel the repayment conditions should be adhered to but the amount to be paid is reduced to reflect the time remaining on the existing terms and condition; the amount to be repaid should be £1666 The repaid grant will be used to fund future grants to assist additional people in need. |

| BACKGROUND | DELEGATED DECISION from Cabinet 27 August 2008. |
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| | Where representations are received from grant recipients requesting the Council should waive repayment of their disabled facilities grant, the individual cases are to be considered by the Cabinet Member for Housing and Wellbeing and the Head of Resident Services (now Head of Housing, Economy and Community Services and Cabinet Member for Housing) to determine the amount, if any, to repay. |
| DETAILS OF ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED | To decide whether it is reasonable, taking account of the circumstances, to demand repayment of all or part of the grant paid out. |
| DETAILS OF ANY CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN | Considered representations received on behalf of the applicant |
| DETAILS OF ANY CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS | None |
| CONTACT FOR ENQUIRIES/FURTHER INFORMATION | Glyn Pritchard Private Sector Housing Manager |

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