

**REPORT FROM: HOUSING, HEALTH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
MANAGER**

TO: NELSON AREA COMMITTEE

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FORMER REGENT'S CINEMA SITE OFF LEEDS ROAD, NELSON

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To ask Nelson Area Committee to recommend that the Executive declare the former Regents Cinema site off Leeds Road surplus and for it to be marketed for sale.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) That Nelson Area Committee recommends that the Executive declare the former Regents Cinema site surplus to requirements.
- (2) That the site is marketed for sale.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) To seek agreement that the land is declared surplus to requirements.
- (2) To achieve a capital receipt and to end future maintenance liabilities.

ISSUE

Background

As part of the Housing Market Renewal Programme in Bradley, the Council acquired the former Regents Cinema site off Leeds Road/Vulcan Street in Nelson to address what was both an eyesore and a problematic vacant property on this important gateway into Nelson (see attached location plan).

The site was used as a compound for the redevelopment of the Bradley Hub and was subsequently the subject of discussions with the Fairmore Medical Practice (located opposite) who

wanted to use the site as a car park for their patients. Unfortunately this has not proved feasible due to a lack of funding.

The site remains vacant and is sometimes the subject of anti-social behaviour.

In order to bring the site back into use and to end the council's maintenance liability for it, it is recommended that the site is declared surplus and marketed for sale.

IMPLICATIONS

Policy: None as a result of this report.

Financial: The site will generate a capital receipt.

Risk Management: None as a result of this report.

Health and Safety: None as result of this report.

Sustainability: None as a result of this report.

Community Safety: The site is currently vacant and unused and this report will start proceedings to bring it back into use.

Equality and Diversity: None as a result of this report.

APPENDICES

Location Plan: Former Regents Cinema site, Leeds Road, Nelson.

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS