

## EAST HERTS COUNCIL

### OPENNESS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES REGULATIONS 2014

#### OFFICER DECISION WRITTEN RECORD

Reference:	OD/(to be added by Democratic Services)
Subject Matter:	Grant of Deed of Easement and Option for Deed – Land at Perrett Gardens, Hertford
Date of Decision:	07 January 2026
Exempt/Confidential information (Yes/No):	No
If Exempt/Confidential – reason why:	N/A
Name of Officer taking decision under delegated authority:	Jonathan Geall, Director for Communities
Source of delegated authority (constitution/express delegation/etc):	Acting under authority delegated within section 10.13.16 of the council's Constitution <i>'Lettings of all properties including council offices; consents to assignments and sub-lettings; the granting of easements and licences; entering into leases, sub-leases, licences and easements on behalf of the council as lessee or lessor, sub-lessee, licensee or grantee as appropriate; consent to modification or release of restrictive covenants; rent reviews under existing and future leases, including the approval of terms,</i>

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	<i>subject to reporting transactions half-yearly to the Executive</i>
Exercise of delegated authority approved by: (if different from Officer taking decision)	
Decision:	To grant an option for a deed of easement and a deed of easement for the right to install a bus lane/cycle way including all necessary services and the right thereafter to enter the Council's land to maintain until such time as the land is dedicated to Hertfordshire County Council as highway land. in return for a payment of £3,206.32 to cover the Council's costs.
Reason(s) for Decision:	The option for a deed and the deed of easement are required to facilitate the proposed new sustainable travel routes included as part of the development at Archers Springs (Policy Hert 3) Welwyn Road, Hertford which is detailed in the planning consent LPA ref. no. 3/19/0790/OUT. The developer will construct these routes as part of the development and once complete the routes and the Council's land will be dedicated to Hertfordshire County Council as highway land and thereafter be maintained by the highway authority.
Details of alternative options, if any considered and rejected:	a) The Council could refuse the request but this would prevent these new sustainable travel routes

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	from being installed which will link this new development at Archers Spring to the existing estate at Sele Farm. This will prevent the developer from complying with this obligation contained in the Section 106 agreement and therefore is not recommended.
Name of Officer who has confirmed with all Members involved in taking this decision whether they have pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest:	<i>None</i>
Name(s) of any Member who has removed himself/herself from contributing to this decision because of a conflict of interest:	None
Signature of Decision Maker (where decision is taken in consultation with a Member):	Not applicable as a decision delegated to an officer
Signature of Member consulted by Decision Maker (where decision is taken in consultation with a Member):	REDACTED

**SIGNATURES TO BE REDACTED**