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Dear Councillor

NOTICE OF DELEGATED DECISION – (DD18 23) ACQUISITION OF UNIT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR REFUGEES

Please find attached details of a decision taken by Helen Lamb, Head of Finance and Investment, to purchase 6 Florida Close, Dover, initially for use as affordable housing for Afghan and Ukrainian refugees and eventually as general needs housing.

The accompanying report is exempt under paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. (The appendix to the report is not exempt but has not been published here for practical reasons. However, it can be found online at [\(Public Pack\)Agenda Document for Cabinet, 06/03/2023 11:00 \(dover.gov.uk\)](#)).

Members of the public who require further information are asked to contact Democratic Services on 01304 872303 or by e-mail at democraticservices@dover.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rose Bailey - Smith". Below the signature is a horizontal line.

Democratic Services Officer

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1 **NOTICE OF DELEGATED DECISION - (DD18 23) ACQUISITION OF UNIT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR REFUGEES** (Pages 2-29)

Delegated Decision Notice

Decision No:	DD18
Subject:	ACQUISITION OF UNIT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR REFUGEES (FUNDED VIA THE GOVERNMENT'S LOCAL AUTHORITY HOUSING FUND ROUND 1)
Notification Date:	22 August 2023
Implementation Date:	29 August 2023
Decision taken by:	Helen Lamb, Head of Finance and Investment
Delegated Authority:	Cabinet Decision CAB 101 (b) of 6 March 2023, as follows: 'That the Head of Finance and Investment be authorised, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Social Housing, Port Health, Skills and Education, to take the necessary decisions and actions to progress the project and purchase the properties including (but not limited to) accepting grant funding from the Local Authority Housing Fund, agreeing the purchase price, approving the sale purchase agreements, appointing any necessary professional advisers and agreeing works to bring the properties up to lettable standards.'
Decision Type:	Non-Key Decision
Call-In to Apply?	No (<i>Call-in does not apply to non-Key Officer Decisions</i>)
Classification:	Unrestricted – but the accompanying report is Restricted and NOT FOR PUBLICATION by reason that it contains information which is exempt by virtue of the provisions of Paragraph 3 (Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972
Reason for the Decision:	To agree the purchase of one property for affordable rent, initially for temporary accommodation for refugees and later for general needs accommodation, funded by the Government's Local Authority Housing Fund.
Decision:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Housing, Skills and Education, to purchase 6 Florida Close, Dover, as part of the programme of acquisitions approved by Cabinet on 6 March 2023. 2. In consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Housing, Skills and Education, to take the necessary decisions and actions to progress the purchase, including (but not limited to) agreeing the purchase price, approving the sale purchase agreements, appointing any necessary professional advisers, and agreeing works to bring the properties up to lettable standards.

1. **Consideration and Alternatives** (*if applicable*)

- 1.1 See attached (exempt) report.
- 2 **Any Conflicts of Interest Declared?**
- 2.1 None.
- 3. **Supporting Information** *(as applicable)*
- 3.1 See attached (exempt) report.

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