

**Time** 4.00 pm **Public Meeting?** YES **Type of meeting** Executive

**Venue** Online

## Membership

**Chair** Cllr Louise Miles (Lab)  
**Vice-chair** Cllr Ian Brookfield (Lab)

## Labour

Cllr Paula Brookfield  
Cllr Steve Evans  
Cllr Dr Michael Hardacre  
Cllr Jasbir Jaspal  
Cllr Linda Leach  
Cllr John Reynolds  
Cllr Stephen Simkins  
Cllr Jacqueline Sweetman

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# Agenda

## Part 1 – items open to the press and public

*Item No.*     *Title*

### MEETING BUSINESS ITEMS

- 1            **Apologies for absence**
- 2            **Declarations of interest**
- 3            **Minutes of the previous meeting** (Pages 5 - 8)  
[To approve the minutes of the previous meeting as a correct record.]
- 4            **Matters arising**  
[To consider any matters arising from the minutes.]

### DECISION ITEMS (AMBER - DELEGATED TO THE CABINET (RESOURCES) PANEL)

- 5            **Council Tax Support Scheme** (Pages 9 - 12)  
[To approve proposals to revise the Council Tax Support Scheme 2021/2022 subject to consultation]
- 6            **Administration of the Black Country Community Discharge Grant** (Pages 13 - 20)  
[To approve arrangements for the administration of the Black Country Community Discharge Grant]
- 7            **Land at Tremont Street** (Pages 21 - 26)  
[To approve the appropriation of land at Tremont Street from the General Fund to the Housing Revenue Account]
- 8            **Leasing of Land at Well Lane - Memorial Statue** (Pages 27 - 36)  
[To approve the proposed leasing of land located at Well Lane for the siting of a memorial statue]
- 9            **Schedule of Individual Executive Decision Notices** (Pages 37 - 44)  
[To note the summary of open and exempt decision notices approved by cabinet members in consultation with employees]
- 10          **Exclusion of press and public**  
[To pass the following resolution:

That in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business as they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information on the grounds shown below.]

## Part 2 - exempt items, closed to press and public

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| 11 | <p><b>Procurement - Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services</b> (Pages 45 - 52)</p> <p>[To approve the award of contracts for works, goods and services]</p>  | <p>Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) Para (3)</p> |
| 12 | <p><b>Renewal of Black Country Car Cruising Injunction (2021)</b> (Pages 53 - 66)</p> <p>[To approve that the making of an application to renew and vary the Black Country Car Cruising Injunction (Covering the areas of Wolverhampton, Walsall, Sandwell and Dudley) for three years beyond its date of expiry (February 2021) is in the Council's best interests]</p> | <p>Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings. Para (5)</p>                     |

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## Attendance

### Members of the Cabinet (Resources) Panel

Cllr Louise Miles (Chair)  
Cllr Ian Brookfield (Vice-Chair)  
Cllr Paula Brookfield  
Cllr Steve Evans  
Cllr Dr Michael Hardacre  
Cllr Jasbir Jaspal  
Cllr Linda Leach  
Cllr John Reynolds  
Cllr Stephen Simkins  
Cllr Jacqueline Sweetman

### Employees

Tim Johnson	Chief Executive
Mark Taylor	Deputy Chief Executive
Emma Bennett	Director of Children's Services
John Denley	Director of Public Health
Ian Fegan	Director of Communications and External Relations
Charlotte Johns	Director of Strategy
Richard Lawrence	Director of Regeneration
David Pattison	Director of Governance
Claire Nye	Director of Finance
Laura Phillips	Head of Democratic and Support Services
Jaswinder Kaur	Democratic Services Manager
Luke Dove	Strategic Asset Manager
Dereck Francis	Democratic Services Officer

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## Part 1 – items open to the press and public

*Item No. Title*

- 1 Apologies for absence**  
No apologies for absence were received for the meeting.
- 2 Declarations of interest**  
Councillor Stephen Simkins declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 10 (Canalside North – Update) insofar as it refers to Bradley Canal Arm Restoration Group.

3 **Minutes of the previous meeting - 9 September 2020**

Resolved:

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 9 September 2020 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair

4 **Matters arising**

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

5 **Children Services Grant Awards**

Councillor John Reynolds presented the report on an overview of three grant awards to Children Services that would support the continued transformation journey of the service and support the Council's response to the priorities of Re Lighting Our City. Approval was requested to expenditure of £1,712,371 for the three grants allocated. Referring to the grant for the Social Workers in Schools programme, where from 12 schools identified for the pilot, six would randomly be selected to have a social worker embedded as part of the staff. Councillor Reynolds informed Cabinet that whilst it would be a random selection, he had asked officers to give some thought to the randomness of the selection so as to avoid the situation of six schools in the east of the city having a social worker and there being none in the west of the city.

Resolved:

1. That the establishment of supplementary revenue expenditure budgets totalling £1,712,371 be approved and funded by:
  - a. What Works for Children's Social Care, Department for Education Grant of £411,675.
  - b. Department for Education, Wellbeing for Education Return Grant (2020-2021) of £36,942.
  - c. National Lotteries grant of £1,263,754 to extend the HeadStart programme until July 2022.
2. That the Council enter into such grant agreements as are necessary for the funds to be received by the Council.

6 **Schedule of Individual Executive Decision Notices**

Resolved:

That the summary of open and exempt individual executive decisions approved by the appropriate Cabinet Members following consultation with the relevant employees be noted.

7 **Exclusion of press and public**

Resolved:

That in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business as they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

## Part 2 - exempt items, closed to press and public

The Chair reported that as stated previously the meeting was in confidential session as the information included in the reports could, if released into the public domain, prejudice the financial position of the Council or its partners. As such all present are under a legal duty of confidentiality and must not disclose any confidential information - to do so would not only be a breach of the Council's codes (for councillors and employees) but also a breach of the legal duty of confidentiality.

### 8 **Procurement - Award of Contracts for Works, Goods and Services**

Councillor Louise Miles presented for approval the report on the award of contracts for works, goods and services. In doing so she drew to the meetings attention exemptions to the Contract Procedure Rules approved by the Head of Procurement and Director of Finance for the period 1 July to 31 August 2020.

Resolved:

1. That the award of the contract for Provision of Programme Management for the City Learning Quarter to Turner and Townsend Project Management Limited of Low Hall, Calverley Lane, Horsforth, Leeds LS18 4GH for a duration of four months from 14 October 2020 to 31 January 2021 for a total contract value of £140,000 be approved.
2. That the award of the contract for Provision of Cost Management for the City Learning Quarter to Turner and Townsend Cost Management Limited of Low Hall, Calverley Lane, Horsforth, Leeds LS18 4GH for a duration of four months from 14 October 2020 to 31 January 2021 for a total contract value of £40,000 be approved.
3. That the exemptions to the Contract Procedures Rules approved by the Head of Procurement and Director of Finance from 1 July to 31 August 2020 as set out in Appendix 1 to the report be noted.

### 9 **Former Wednesfield Village Primary School - Development of Free School with Shireland Collegiate Academy Trust**

Councillor Dr Michael Hardacre presented the report on a proposal to transfer the former Wednesfield Village Primary School site to LocalEd for the development of a new two form entry primary and nursery school in conjunction with Shireland Collegiate Academy Trust. The creation of a new school in the Wednesfield area, where there would be high demand for school places due to the impact of housing developments in closed proximity to the proposed school development would be welcomed.

Resolved:

1. That the transfer of the Former Wednesfield Village Primary School site from the Council to LocalEd for development of a new two-form entry primary and nursery Free School in conjunction with Shireland Collegiate Academy Trust on a 125-year peppercorn lease be approved.

2. That authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member for City Assets and Housing and the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills in consultation with the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Children's Services to approve the terms of the transfer.

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**Canalside North - Update**

Councillor Stephen Simkins presented the report on an update on the proposed approach towards bringing forward the first phase of Canalside North, one of the Council's key priorities for residential-led mixed use regeneration.

Resolved:

1. That the Heads of Terms summarised in the report which have been negotiated and agreed in principle with the developer in order for the Council to progress into an Agreement for Lease for a term of 250 years for the delivery of the first phase of Canalside North site be approved and the conditionality of the proposed transaction be noted. The Agreement for Lease (AfL) would contain conditions that the developer obtains planning permission and that the Council delivers vacant possession of the property as detailed in part 4 of the report.
2. That authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member for City Economy in consultation with the Director of Regeneration and the Director of Finance to approve and negotiate any final terms.

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<b>Report title</b>	Council Tax Support Scheme	
<b>Decision Designation</b>	AMBER	
<b>Cabinet member with lead responsibility</b>	Councillor Louise Miles Resources	
<b>Key decision</b>	Yes	
<b>In Forward Plan</b>	Yes	
<b>Wards affected</b>	All Wards	
<b>Accountable director</b>	Claire Nye, Director of Finance	
<b>Originating service</b>	Revenues and Benefits	
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<b>Report to be/has been considered by</b>	Finance Leadership Team	20 October 2020
	Strategic Executive Board	27 October 2020

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**Recommendation for decision:**

The Cabinet (Resources) Panel is recommended to:

1. Approve proposals to revise the scheme for 2021-2022 as outlined in the report, subject to consultation with the West Midlands Combined Authority and the Fire and Police precepting bodies.

## 1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 This report seeks approval for two changes to the Local Council Tax Support Scheme with effect from 1 April 2021 subject to consultation with the West Midlands Combined Authority and the Fire and Police precepting bodies. The changes will provide additional council support to claimants.
- 1.2 The first change is to allow claimants who are living in temporary accommodation, where the Council has made the accommodation available to the renter, to have an award of council tax support from the start of their accommodation regardless of the date of application.
- 1.3 The second is to bring forward the date a council tax support claim is paid, to Universal Credit Claimants, to the date of their Universal Claim.

## 2.0 Background

- 2.1 Since the abolition of the national council tax benefit scheme in 2013, the Council has been responsible for designing its own scheme of council tax support.
- 2.2 Several revisions have been made to our local scheme since 2013 however assessment for support remains similar to the principles used for council tax benefit.
- 2.3 Essentially the process involves collecting detailed income and household data. Complex rules are then applied to determine how much of each income type is counted. Other rules determine a 'needs allowance' for the household, considering things like the number of children and disabilities.
- 2.4 Within the current caseload, 53% of claims include universal credit as an income. Every change in income or circumstance of any member of the household triggers a reassessment of council tax support, regardless of whether it leads to a change in entitlement. Any change in entitlement more or less than £3 per week has the potential to trigger a revised bill and, potentially resetting of recovery action
- 2.5 Eligibility rules for people of pensionable age are set by Government. Any review of our local scheme therefore would be restricted to people of working age.
- 2.6 The following table provides a comparison of the change in value of council tax support from 2019-2020 to 2020-2021:

	2019-2020		2020-2021 As at 30 Sept 20	
	Caseload 000	Value £000	Caseload 000	Value £000
Working age	15.2	10,200	16.7	12,339
Pensioner	9.8	10,250	9.6	9,965
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>20,450</b>	<b>26.3</b>	<b>22,303</b>

### **3.0 Proposals for change in 2021-2022, subject to consultation with preceptors**

- 3.1 For claimants who are living in temporary accommodation, where the Council has made the accommodation available to the renter, it is proposed that the council extends the period that a council tax support claim can be backdated.
- 3.2 Due to the urgency and often fragile situation when an individual is placed into temporary accommodation, there are often delays in the notification and completion of appropriate processes. Currently claims for Council Tax Support can only be backdated for the maximum of one month, in all cases. It is recommended to extend this to up to a period of one financial year for households who are placed in temporary accommodation.
- 3.3 An analysis of cases that would have been eligible for an additional award of Council Tax Support during 2019-2020 identified an additional £11,000 would have been awarded.
- 3.4 It is also proposed that the date a council tax support claim is paid from, is brought forward for Universal Credit Claimants. Currently a claim is paid from the Monday after the claim is received. If the council were to pay from the date of the universal credit claim, this would provide a small increase in the amount of council tax support awarded. However, the alignment of the dates will allow for automation of the award and therefore reduce the administrative demands on the service. An analysis of cases that would have been eligible for an additional award of Council Tax Support during 2019-2020 identified that an additional £11,000 would have been awarded.
- 3.5 It is proposed that consultation on the proposed changes will be undertaken with the West Midlands Combined Authority and the Fire and Police precepting bodies.

### **4.0 Evaluation of Alternative Options**

- 4.1 The alternative option is not to make any changes to the Council Tax Support Scheme. However, this would not provide the benefits to the claimants that the proposals offer. It would also not provide the efficiencies in the administration that can be gained by automating the process as a result of the changes.

### **5.0 Reason for Decision**

- 5.1 In order to provide the benefits to both the claimant and the council outlined in section 3 it is recommended that the proposals are taken forward to consultation.

### **6.0 Financial implications**

- 6.1 It is estimated that the cost of the both proposals will be in the region of £22,000. However, it is anticipated that these costs will be offset by a reduction in the cost of the service due to efficiencies in administration and collection activities due to automation of the process.

[CN/30102020/A]

## **7.0 Legal implications**

- 7.1 There are no legal implications at this stage however should a decision to revise the scheme be taken in the future then the Local Government Finance Act sets out requirements for consultation and decision making.  
[SZ/23102020/P]

## **8.0 Equalities implications**

- 8.1. There are no equalities implications at this stage however understanding and consideration of equalities impacts will be a significant element of the development of any revised scheme.

## **9.0 Climate change and environmental implications**

- 9.1. There are no climate change and environmental implication arising from the recommendations of the report.

## **10.0 Human resources implications**

- 10.1. There are no human resources implications arising from the recommendation of the report.

## **11.0 Corporate landlord implications**

- 11.1. There are no Corporate landlord implications arising from the recommendation of the report.

## **12.0 Health and Wellbeing**

- 12.1 There are no health and wellbeing implications arising from the recommendation of the report

## **13.0 Covid implications**

- 13.1 There are no Covid implications arising from the recommendation of the report.

## **14.0 Schedule of background papers**

- 14.1. None

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<b>Report title</b>	Administration of the Black Country Community Discharge Grant	
<b>Decision designation</b>	AMBER	
<b>Cabinet member with lead responsibility</b>	Councillor Linda Leach Adults	
<b>Key decision</b>	Yes	
<b>In forward plan</b>	Yes	
<b>Wards affected</b>	All Wards	
<b>Accountable Director</b>	Emma Bennett, Director of Children's Services	
<b>Originating service</b>	Adult Social Care	
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<b>Report to be/has been considered by</b>	Adults Services Leadership Team	27 October 2020

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**Recommendations for decision:**

The Cabinet (Resources) Panel is recommended to:

1. Approve that Wolverhampton City Council accepts, holds and distributes the Community Discharge Grant (CDG) awarded by the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, on behalf of the Black Country region which includes the administrative areas of Dudley, Sandwell, Walsall and Wolverhampton Transforming Care Partnership.
2. Agree that the Council accepts the role of accountable body to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care for the grant.
3. Approve the Council entering into such legal agreements as necessary to receive the grant as lead authority on behalf of the Black Country Transforming Care Partnership (TCP) and any further grant payments in 2021-22 and 2022-23.

4. Authorise the Council to sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care to accept the Grant of £657,414 for the Black Country Region.
5. Approve the creation of a supplementary revenue budget in accordance with the MOU document, fully funded by the grant.

**Recommendation for noting:**

The Cabinet (Resources) Panel is asked to note:

1. That Wolverhampton City Council will not be responsible for decisions regarding the approval of grant applications and monitoring of the use of the grant, this will remain the role of the Black Country Transforming Care Partnership Board, of which we are a key partner.

## **1.0 Purpose**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise Cabinet (Resources) Panel about the Community Discharge Grant (CDG), its purpose and to seek approval to accept the role of accountable body for the funding stream. The report also seeks approval for the Council to hold and distribute the CDG, for three years, as nominated lead authority for the Black Country TCP area. The CDG will fund training, services and support across the Black Country region that aim to achieve timely hospital discharges of adults with a learning disability and/or autism and to prevent hospital admissions.
- 1.2 The grant supports the work of the national and regional TCP. Whilst Wolverhampton City Council has been nominated as the lead authority to receive and administer the grant, it is for use across all four local authority administrative areas within the TCP.

## **2.0 Background**

- 2.1 The TCP role is to improve health and care services, to enable more people with a learning disability and/or autism to live in their community, with the right support. In 2015 The Local Government Association (LGA), Association of Adult Social Services (ADASS) and NHS England (NHSE), published their national plan for 'Building the Right Support'.
- 2.2 'Building the Right Support' focuses on reducing the numbers of adults with learning disability or autism receiving in-patient treatment, by developing opportunities and choices for a real home with the right support. For those people who do need hospital treatment, in-patient care should be as local as possible.
- 2.3 Part of the 'Building the Right Support' programme was that 48 TCP's were developed across the country, made up of Clinical Commissioning Groups, NHS England, Commissioners and Local Authorities. The Council is part of the Black Country TCP.
- 2.4 In the Budget announced on 11 March 2020, Government committed to providing Community Discharge Funding over the next three years, to speed up the discharge of people with learning disabilities and/or autism from inpatient care in England. The Secretary of State for Health and Social Care allocated an amount of Community Discharge Grant, under Section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003, to the Black Country TCP.
- 2.5 Each TCP nominated a lead local authority to receive the grant payment. City of Wolverhampton Council was nominated as the lead authority to receive the Black Country CDG payment on behalf of our regional TCP. The Black Country TCP Board is responsible for approving grant applications, monitoring and making decisions about how the grant is used, based on need and local intelligence.

- 2.6 In the role of nominated authority, the Council will be accountable to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care in respect of the administration and distribution of the grant. Requests for payments from the CDG will be made to the TCP Board; once agreement has been reached, City of Wolverhampton Council will administer the payments as agreed by the Board.
- 2.7 How the grant is used is a regional matter, provided it is in line with meeting the objective of preventing in-patient admissions and achieving timely discharges from hospital for adults with learning disability and/or autism. Payments from the grant will fund local and regional developments for innovative community-based support services that will benefit patients from Wolverhampton as well as other Black Country areas.

### **3.0 Progress, options, discussion, etc.**

- 3.1 A Black Country TCP Board and a TCP Operational Steering Group meet monthly and fortnightly respectively. Use of the CDG, is considered at each meeting to support and progress the 'Building the Right Support' strategy. The TCP consider that some of the CDG should be used to fund an intensive support team to provide specialist, short term intensive support to adults with a learning disability or autism in their home, as an alternative to admission to hospital where safe to do so. The TCP have also confirmed that the CDG should be used to develop more small specialist care providers across the region.
- 3.2 Further initiatives supported by the grant will be discussed and agreed by the TCP Board on an on-going basis.

### **4.0 Evaluation of alternative options**

- 4.1 Option One would be for no change to the existing plan; for the Council to accept hold and distribute the Black Country Transforming Care Community Discharge Grant as lead authority. This will demonstrate the Council's commitment to achieving the 'Building the Right Support' strategy, as well as supporting and enhancing this work locally and regionally. This option further demonstrates the Council's commitment to young people and adults with a learning disability and autism, leading good lives with good health and wellbeing outcomes. This is the recommended option.
- 4.2 Option Two would be to request that another Black Country authority, undertakes the role of administering the CDG. CWC has tentatively offered to undertake this role, subject to Cabinet (Resources) Panel agreement. Should CWC refused to accept the role of lead authority or accountable body, it could be perceived that there is a lack of commitment on the part of CWC and the other Black Country Authorities to deliver the strategy. This option would still require CWC to remain a committed member of the Black Country TCP.

## **5.0 Reasons for decision**

- 5.1 The Black Country TCP CDG payable for the financial year 2020-21 is £657,414. Indicative allocations for 2021-22 and 2022-23 will be made ahead of each financial year using the Barnett formula and will be subject to consultation.
- 5.2 The 2020-21 grant allocation, whilst for use across the Black Country region, will also benefit young people and adults within Wolverhampton. This is an investment in supporting people with a disability and/or autism to lead fulfilled lives within safe and supportive environments. Taking a lead role in administering the grant demonstrates our continued commitment and ambition to reduce hospital admissions, achieve timely hospital discharges and provide personalised support for adults with a learning disability and/or autism.

## **6.0 Financial implications**

- 6.1 The Transforming Care Partnership Community Discharge Grant has been granted for 2020-21 and the subsequent two financial years. The grant payable for the financial year 2020-21 is £657,000 and allocations for 2021-22 and 2022-23 will be made ahead of each of those financial years based upon the numbers of adults with learning disability and/or autism receiving in-patient treatment in each TCP area.
- 6.2 The Council will assume the role of accountable body, however the Black Country Transforming Care Partnership Board, of which the Council is a key partner, will have responsibility for approving allocations to individual partners. The required legal agreements are being drawn up to protect the Council from any financial risk associated with grant allocated to partners, meaning partners will need to agree to use the grant as determined and produce evidence to support as required.

[JB/29102020/R]

## **7.0 Legal implications**

- 7.1 As Lead Authority, Council will sign the MOU with the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care which, sets out the intention of the parties in respect of the accountable body role in distribution of the funding.
- 7.2 Enter into all necessary legal agreements with all grant recipients including an agreement with the TCP, setting out their obligations and responsibilities, in order to give effect to terms and conditions set out in the MOU.
- 7.3 CWC as lead authority, to ensure there is appropriate governance in place to ensure it has oversight and/or involvement in the assessment and approval of applications to ensure transparency in the determination process of all applications.
- 7.4 All steps are taken to protect the interest of the Council including prevention of financial and reputational harm.

- 7.5 That the Council is fully indemnified by all grant recipients in respect of all potential risks including risk of clawback for the duration of the project.  
[LMC/23102020/Z]

## **8.0 Equalities implications**

- 8.1 The Community Discharge Grant is intended to support adults in the Black Country region with the protected characteristic of disability under the Equality Act 2010. Adults with a learning disability and/or autism may also suffer discrimination due to age, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation, marriage and civil partnership or pregnancy and maternity. The grant will be used to provide services and support to meet the diverse needs of adults with a learning disability and autism who receive in-patient care or to avoid in-patient admission and aim to reduce inequality in health and social care provision.
- 8.2 An equalities impact assessment may be required.

## **9.0 Climate change and environmental implications**

- 9.1 There are no climate change or environmental implications arising from the recommendations of this report.

## **10.0 Human resources implications**

- 10.1 There are no human resources implications arising from the recommendations of this report.

## **11.0 Corporate landlord implications**

- 11.1 There are no Corporate Landlord implications arising from the recommendations of this report.

## **12.0 Health and Wellbeing Implications**

- 12.1 People with a learning disability and autistic people should receive the best possible care when they have need for in-patient treatment. Few people would choose to remain in a hospital when they could be receiving less restrictive support care in their local own community, near to family and friends, with more choice and control over their lives, health and wellbeing.
- 12.2 The Community Discharge Grant will further support the progress made in Wolverhampton and the wider Black Country region, to reduce the numbers of adults with a learning disability and/or autism, in inpatient care. It will support the facilitation of timely discharges from hospital, give people more choice and control over where they live, and the care and support they receive locally.
- 12.3 Supporting positive mental health and physical wellbeing is underpinned by the CWC priority of developing strong, resilient and healthy communities.

**13.0 Covid Implications**

13.1 There are no Covid implications arising from the recommendation of this report.

**14.0 Schedule of background papers**

14.1 Community Discharge Grant Briefing Note to Transforming Adult Social Care Board, 30 September for Adult Social Care Leadership Team.

14.2 Draft MOU between the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care and City of Wolverhampton Council

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<b>Report title</b>	Land at Tremont Street
<b>Decision designation</b>	AMBER
<b>Cabinet member with lead responsibility</b>	Councillor Jacqueline Sweetman City Assets and Housing
<b>Key decision</b>	Yes
<b>In forward plan</b>	Yes
<b>Wards affected</b>	Heath Town
<b>Accountable Director</b>	Mark Taylor, Deputy Chief Executive
<b>Originating service</b>	Corporate Landlord, Assets
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<b>Report to be/has been considered by</b>	City Assets Leadership Team    26 August 2020 Asset Management Board        12 October 2020

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**Recommendation for decision:**

The Cabinet (Resources) Panel is recommended to:

1. Delegate authority to the Cabinet Member for City Assets and Housing in consultation with the Deputy Chief Executive to approve the appropriation of the Land at Tremont Street from the General Fund to the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) for housing development.

## **1.0 Purpose**

- 1.1 To recommend that the asset known as Land at Tremont Street is appropriated from General Fund to HRA for housing development.

## **2.0 Background**

- 2.1 The Land at Tremont Street is located in the Heath Town Ward and is the former site of the Duke of York Public House, following the demolition of which it has remained as a car park for several years.
- 2.2 In December 2017 outline planning was granted for this site and others across the Heath Town Ward for the development of up to 380 new homes as part of the Heath Town Regeneration proposals.
- 2.3 The site was previously considered for disposal to WV Living for development which was reviewed and WV Living subsequently withdrew their interest.
- 2.4 Following the withdrawal of interest from WV Living, the Council's Housing Development team requested that the asset was transferred to the HRA for the development of 66 two-bedroom apartments to be utilised for council housing as part of phase two and phase three of the regeneration proposal.
- 2.5 The site is currently being utilised by Wolverhampton Homes for the storage of materials and siting of welfare facilities whilst the refurbishment of three adjacent residential tower blocks is being undertaken. A Licence has been issued to Wolverhampton Homes for the occupation of this site. The licence can be terminated at short notice to allow for vacation as required to enable the future development of the asset.
- 2.6 If approved there will be no capital receipt to the General Fund due to the appropriation to the HRA. However, in accordance with accounting regulations an adjustment to each fund's Capital Financing Requirement equal to the market value, which is £290,000 will be made.

## **3.0 Options appraisal**

- 3.1 The asset could alternatively be sold on the open market in return for a capital receipt, but this would be at the detriment of losing a vital asset within this part of the City that forms an integral part of the Heath Town Regeneration proposals.

## **4.0 Reasons for decision**

- 4.1 The proposed appropriation provides a viable, robust and sustainable solution to ensure that the asset is efficiently utilised and will provide development of 66 new build apartments for Council housing use. This ensures that expanding housing demands are continuing to be supported throughout the City.

## **5.0 Financial implications**

- 5.1 Should the recommendation for the appropriation of the asset from the General Fund to the HRA be approved, the resulting transfer means the General Fund is foregoing any possible capital receipt that could be achieved if the site was sold on the open market. Accounting regulations require that when an asset transfers between funds, an amount equal to the market value is subtracted from the Capital Financing Requirement of the fund losing the asset and added to the fund of that gaining the asset. This will increase the notional borrowing level of the HRA and reduce that of the General Fund by £290,000.  
[SH/15092020/F]

## **6.0 Legal implications**

- 6.1 The legal mechanism for the appropriation of land is governed by s122 Local Government Act 1972. This provides that the Council may “appropriate for any purpose for which the council is authorised by statute to acquire land by agreement any land which belongs to it and is no longer required for the purpose for which it is held immediately before the appropriation”.
- 6.2 The Council may not dispose of ‘open space’ under s122 without first advertising its intention to do so in the local press. There is no statutory definition of ‘open space’ and it is debatable whether it would apply to these circumstances. Officers will need to give this point due consideration.
- 6.3 Section 105 of the Housing Act 1985 requires the Council to maintain arrangements for consultations on matters of housing management. The Council has already undertaken extensive consultations in relation to the Heath Town redevelopment and no further consultations will be required.  
[TS/21092020/R]

## **7.0 Equalities implications**

- 7.1 There are no equalities implications arising from this report.

## **8.0 Climate change and environmental implications**

- 8.1 There are no climate change or environmental implications arising from this report.

## **9.0 Human resources implications**

- 9.1 There are no human resources implications arising from this report.

## **10.0 Corporate landlord implications**

- 10.1 The appropriation of the Land at Tremont Street will result in the future management of the site including liability for all repairs, maintenance and running costs transferring to the HRA.

**11.0 Health and Wellbeing implications**

11.1 There are no health and wellbeing implications arising from this report.

**12.0 Covid implications**

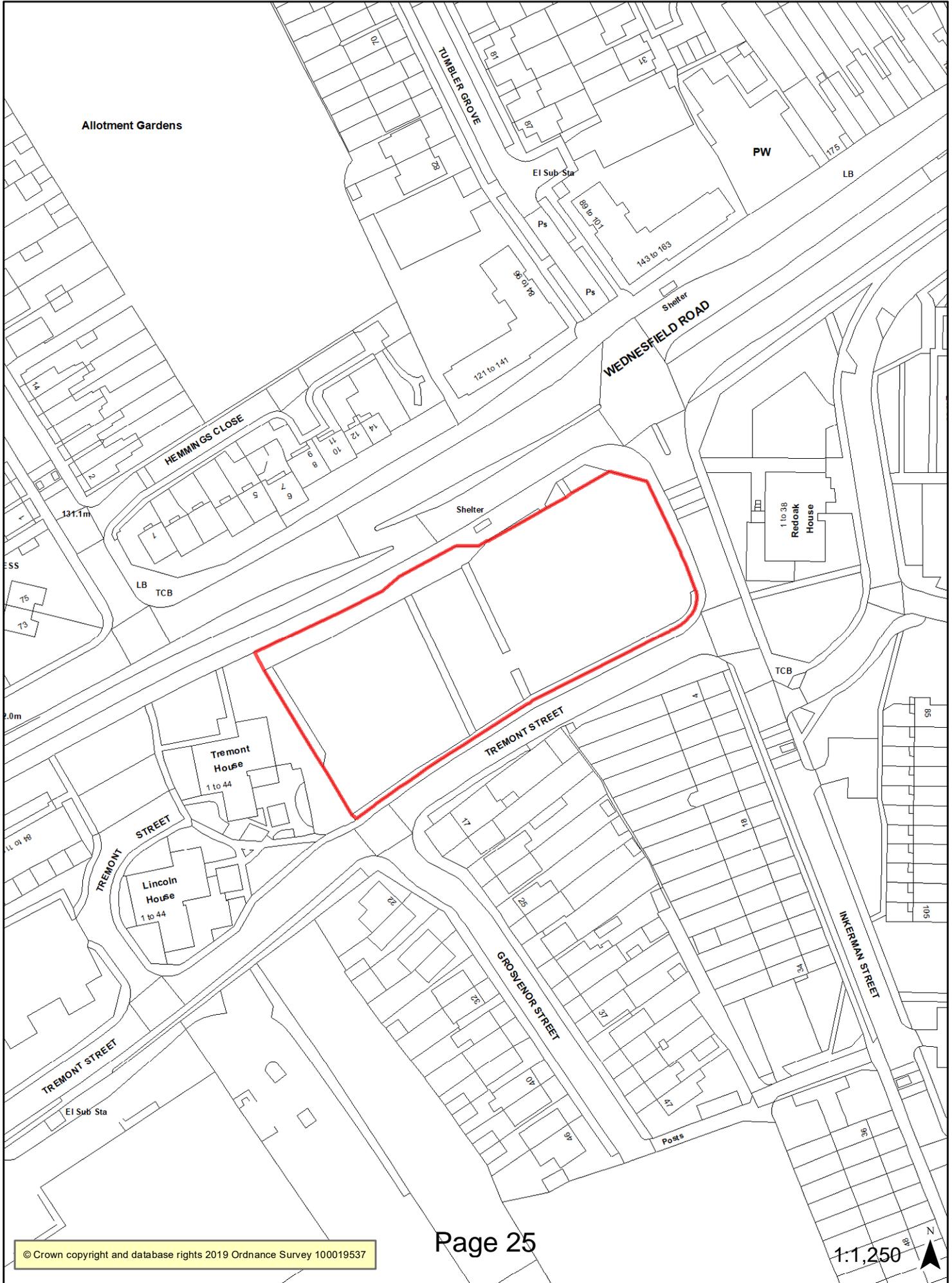
12.1 There are no Covid implications arising from this report.

**13.0 Schedule of background papers**

13.1 None

**14.0 Appendices**

14.1 Appendix 1 – Land at Tremont Street Plan



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<b>CITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON COUNCIL</b>	<b>Cabinet (Resources) Panel</b> 11 November 2020
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<b>Report title</b>	Leasing of Land at Well Lane – Memorial Statue	
<b>Decision designation</b>	AMBER	
<b>Cabinet member with lead responsibility</b>	Councillor Jacqueline Sweetman City Assets and Housing	
<b>Key decision</b>	Yes	
<b>In forward plan</b>	Yes	
<b>Wards affected</b>	Wednesfield South	
<b>Accountable Director</b>	Mark Taylor, Deputy Chief Executive	
<b>Originating service</b>	Corporate Landlord, Assets	
<b>Accountable employee</b>	Luke Dove	Strategic Asset Manager, Assets
	Tel	01902 557121
	Email	Luke.Dove@wolverhampton.gov.uk
<b>Report to be/has been considered by</b>	City Assets Leadership Team 21 October 2020	

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**Recommendations for decision:**

The Cabinet (Resources) Panel is recommended to approve:

1. The transfer of land at Well Lane, Wednesfield to the Guru Nanak Sikh Gurdwara, Well Lane for the purpose of siting a memorial statue on a 99-year peppercorn lease, subject to terms.
2. Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for City Assets and Housing in consultation with the Deputy Chief Executive to approve the terms of the lease.

## **1.0 Purpose**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to outline the proposed transfer of land located at Well Lane Wednesfield to the Guru Nanak Sikh Gurdwara of the same location for the siting of a new memorial statue and seek the Panel's endorsement of the same.

## **2.0 Background**

- 2.1 The land at Well Lane is located in the Wednesfield South Ward and is adjacent to the Council owned Wednesfield Community Hub and the Guru Nanak Gurdwara.
- 2.2 The Council were approached by representatives of the Gurdwara for the proposed siting of a memorial statue and plaque which represented a tribute to the 36<sup>th</sup> Sikh Regiment and the 21 soldiers who lost their lives in the Battle of Saragarhi. A design of the proposed memorial and plaque can be found within appendix 1
- 2.3 Following a consultation, a suitable location was identified for the siting of the statue as outlined in red as detailed within appendix 2.
- 2.4 The proposed site will be sympathetically landscaped in part and subsequently maintained by the Gurdwara for the duration of the lease which is currently subject to grounds maintenance as undertaken by the Council.

## **3.0 Options appraisal**

- 3.1 The asset could alternatively remain as is, but this would be at the detriment of losing an excellent opportunity to utilise the land for the siting of a memorial monument that represents an important part of history which has significant importance to not only residents of Wednesfield, but throughout the City.

## **4.0 Reasons for decision**

- 4.1 The proposed lease and memorial provides a viable, robust and sustainable solution to ensure that the asset is efficiently utilised and if approved, will support the Council's inclusive approach to the use of assets within Wolverhampton and ensure that all areas of the City's diverse community are represented.

## **5.0 Financial implications**

- 5.1 The lease of land at Well Lane is a 99-year peppercorn lease for a nominal consideration. The terms of lease are still to be determined and will be subject of a future report for approval.
- 5.2 Associated costs to the Council in relation to legal and professional fees are expected to be met by the lessee.

[TT/19102020/X]

## **6.0 Legal implications**

6.1 The grant of the lease will be undertaken with the support of Legal Services to ensure that officers have access to bespoke legal advice throughout the transaction.

[DC/20102020/A]

## **7.0 Equalities implications**

7.1 There are no equalities implications arising from this report.

## **8.0 Climate change and environmental implications**

8.1 There are no climate change or environmental implications arising from this report.

## **9.0 Human resources implications**

9.1 There are no human resources implications arising from this report.

## **10.0 Corporate landlord implications**

10.1 The leasing of the land at Well Lane will result in the future management of the site including liability for all repairs and maintenance transferring to the lessee.

## **11.0 Health and Wellbeing implications**

11.1 There are no health and wellbeing implications arising from this report.

## **12.0 Covid implications**

12.1 There are no Covid implications arising from this report.

## **13.0 Schedule of background papers**

13.1 None

## **14.0 Appendices**

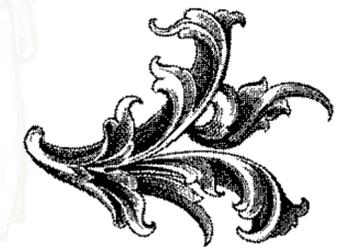
14.1 Appendix 1 – Memorial Design

14.2 Appendix 2 – Well Lane Location Plan

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# SARAGARHI MONUMENT

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WHO'S BRAVERY BECAME PART OF HISTORY AT THE BATTLE  
OF SARAGARHI - 12TH SEPTEMBER 1897



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GURU NANAK GURDWARA WEDNESFIELD

CONCEPT ARTWORKS AND PROPOSAL

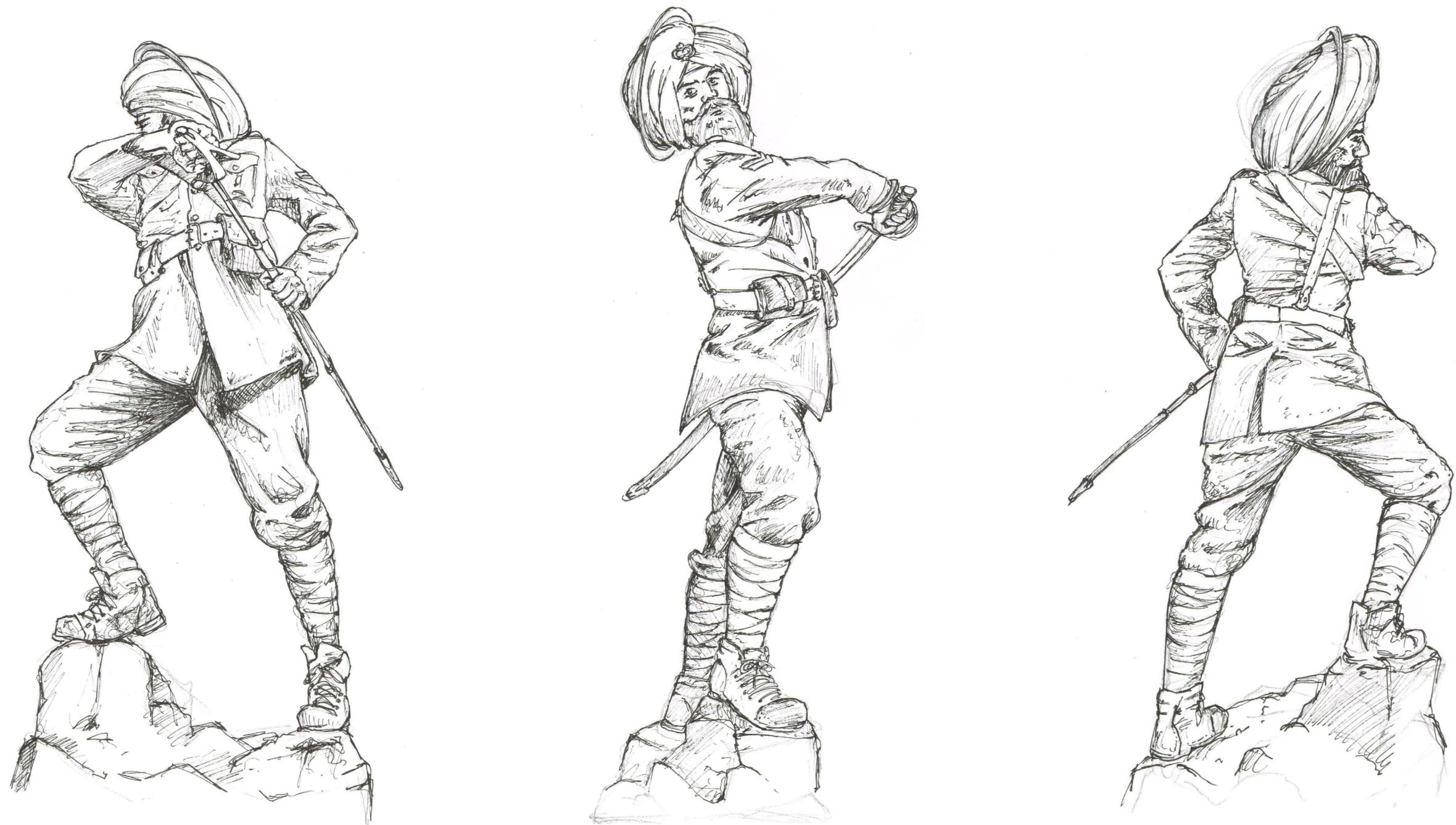
SUBMITTED BY LUKE PERRY

DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE STRONGHOLD

PUBLIC MONUMENT MANUFACTURERS

## SARAGARHI MONUMENT

TO BE SITUATED ON THE LAND BETWEEN WEDNESFIELD LIBRARY AND GURU NANAK GURDWARA



This series of three sketches shows the artwork as it may be in cast bronze from North, South and East Perspectives These being the Wednesfield Town Centre end of Well Lane, The Gurdwara's View and The Sainsbury's End of Well Lane



## SARAGARHI MONUMENT

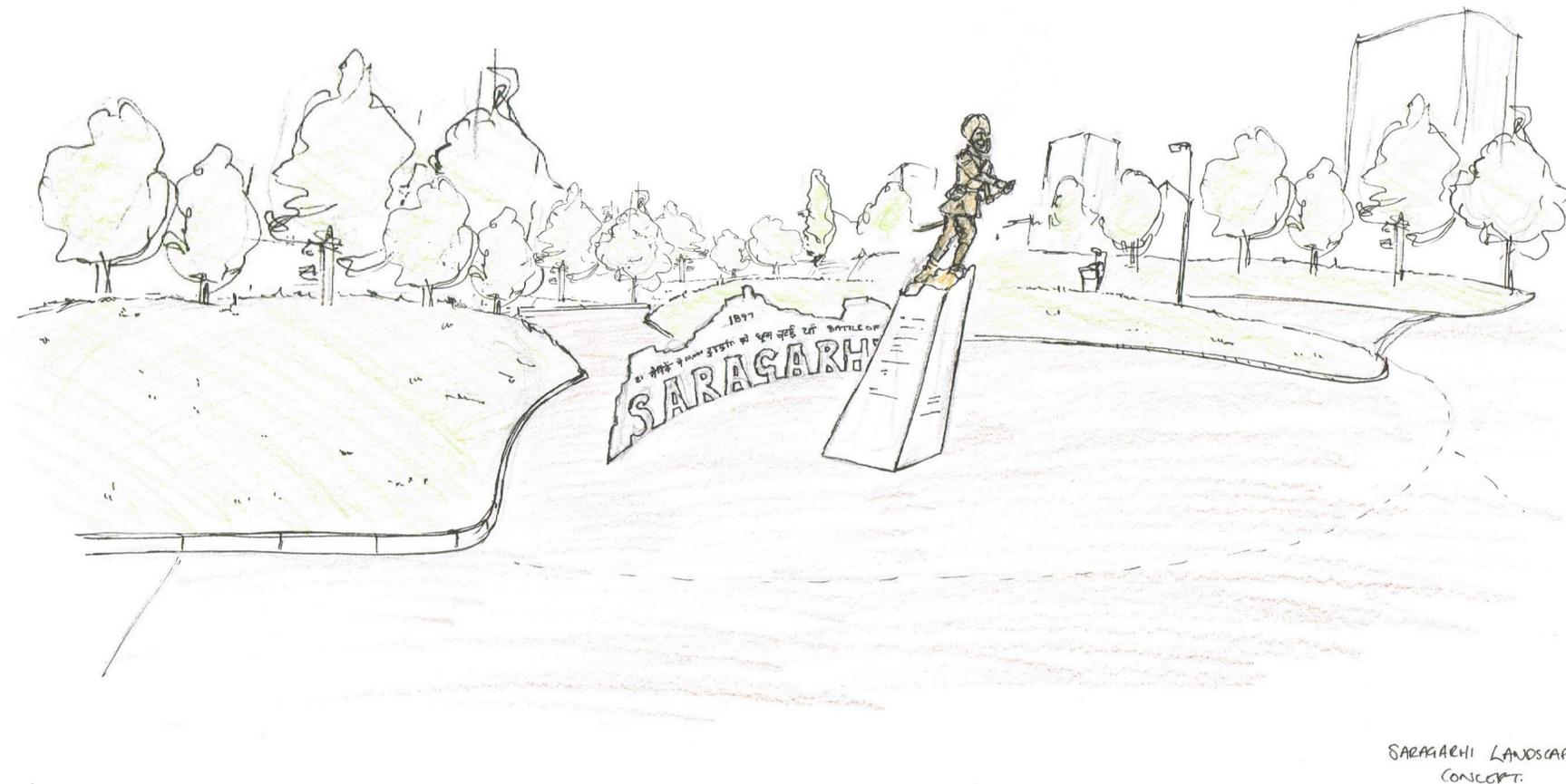


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### CONCEPT LANDSCAPING SKETCH

Image Below :

Showing the landscaping cut and potential rear text panel and monument. The rear panel and monument are still undergoing design, this should not however impact on the landscape space needed for the proposed artwork.





## SARAGARHI MONUMENT

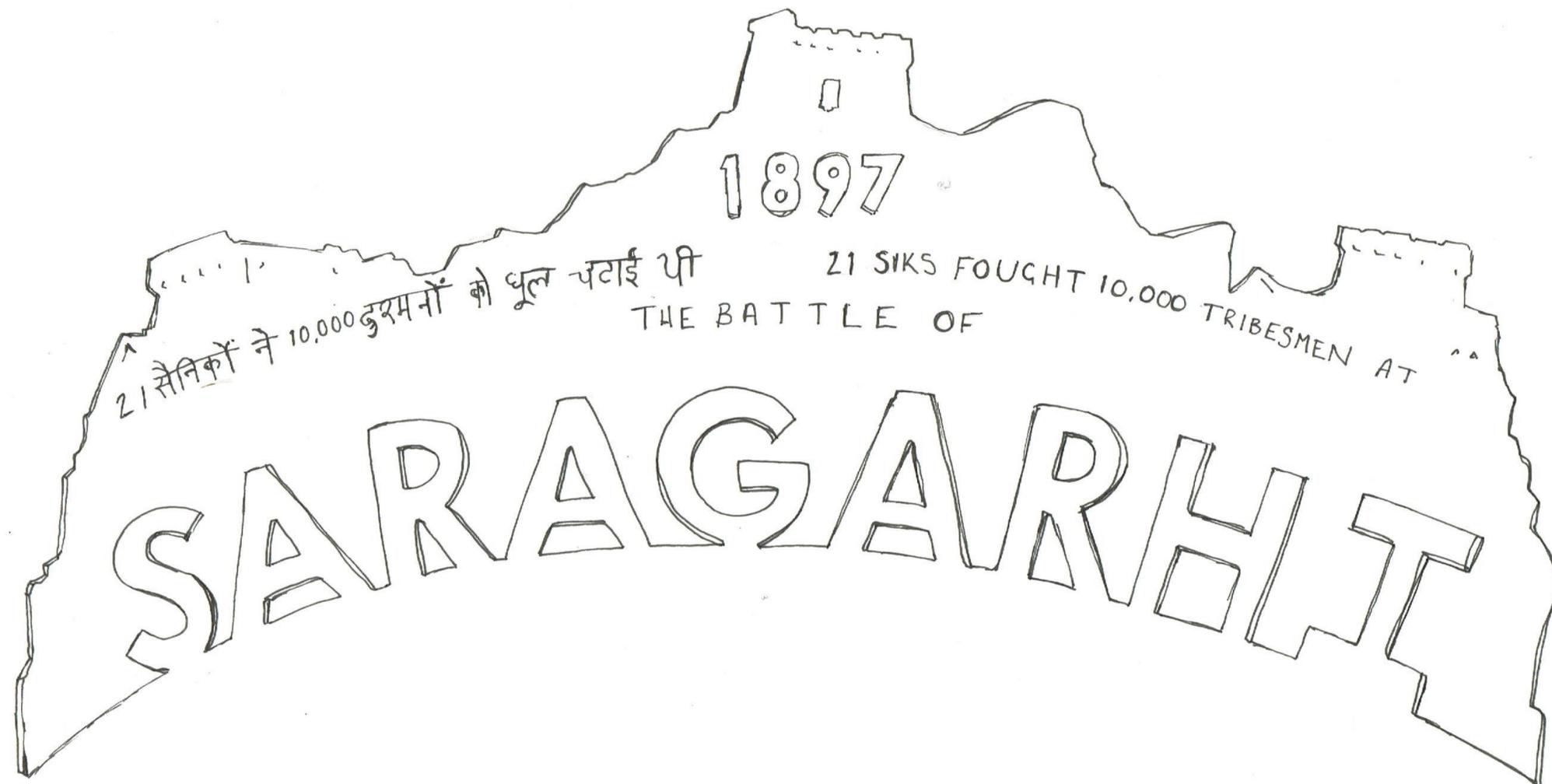


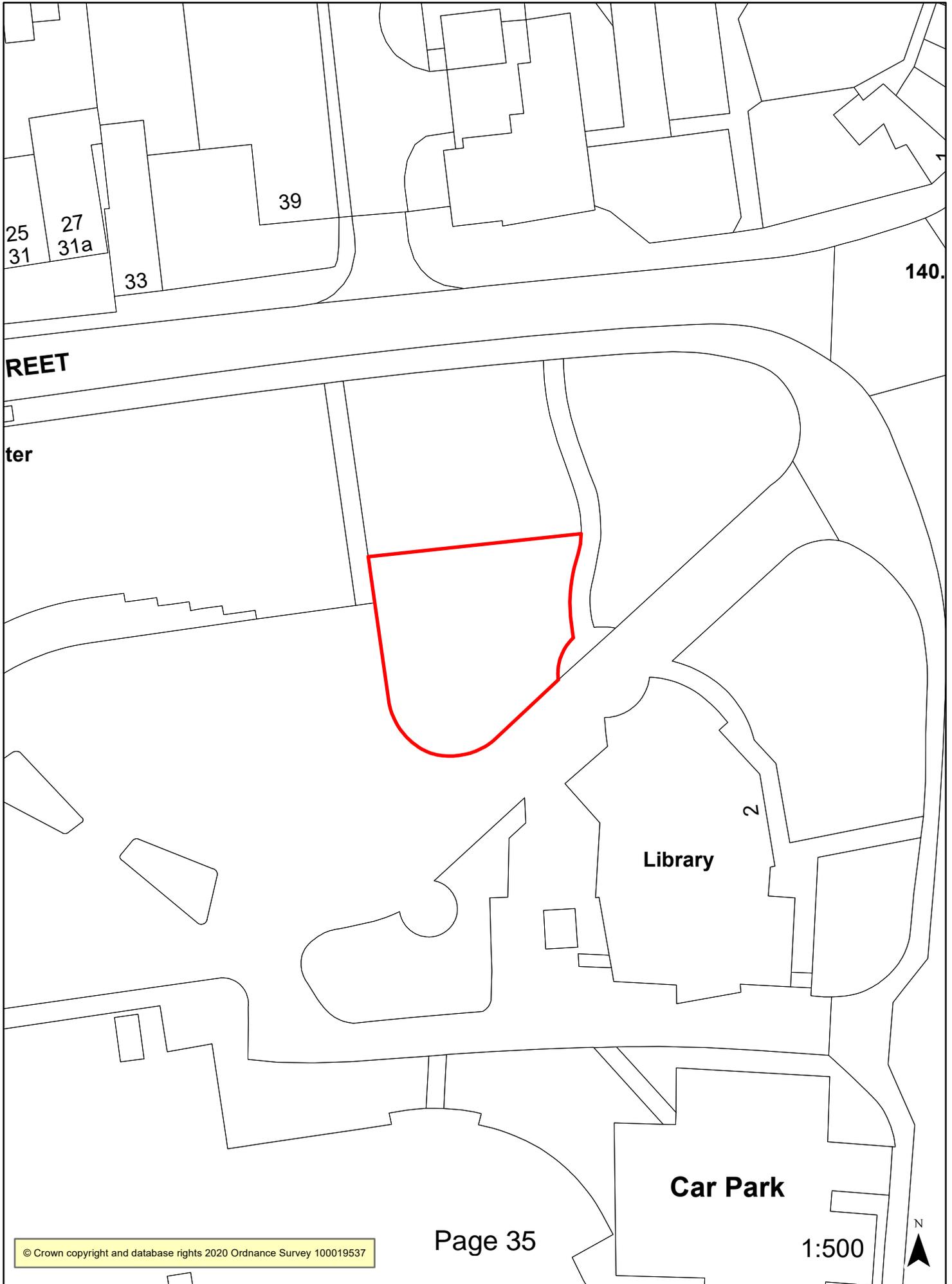
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### REAR PANEL SKETCH

Image Below :

Showing the potential design of the rear plate framing the monument. This would be cut from either stainless steel or galvanized steel. The image in silhouette is of the Afghan mountain range featuring Fort Gullistan, the Saragarhi Signal Post in the centre and Fort Lockhart to the right. The Piece would be approximately 7 metres in length and 1.4 metres at the highest point in the centre.





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<b>Report title</b>	Schedule of Individual Executive Decision Notices	
<b>Decision designation</b>	AMBER	
<b>Cabinet member with lead responsibility</b>	All	
<b>Key decision</b>	No	
<b>In forward plan</b>	No	
<b>Wards affected</b>	All	
<b>Accountable director</b>	Mark Taylor, Deputy Chief Executive	
<b>Originating service</b>	Democratic Services	
<b>Accountable employee</b>	Kirsty Tuffin Tel Email	Democratic Services Officer 01902 552873 Kirsty.tuffin@wolverhampton.gov.uk
<b>Report to be/has been considered by</b>	N/A	

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**Recommendation for noting:**

The Cabinet (Resources) Panel is asked to note:

1. The summary of open and exempt individual executive decisions approved by the appropriate Cabinet Members following consultation with the relevant employees.

## Schedule of Individual Executive Decision Notices

### Part 1 – Open Items

#### Our Council

Decision maker	In consultation with	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Councillor Louise Miles	Director of City Environment	22 August 2020	Lynda Eyton 01902 555706
<b>Title and summary of decision</b>			
<b>Request to Complete Small Works Assistance Grant Works (IEDN: 03/2020)</b>			
1. Authorised a Small Works Assistance Grant under imminent risk to resident health and safety and approve that a land charge be applied to the property in respect of the value of the works to enable the Council to recover the costs incurred upon sale or change of ownership.			

#### City Environment

Decision maker	In consultation with	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Councillor Steve Evans	Director of City Environment	16 October 2020	Nick Broomhall 01902 555723
<b>Title and summary of decision</b>			
<b>Transportation Network – Miscellaneous Traffic Regulation Orders (Batch 5)</b>			
1. Approved the recommended action to implement waiting restrictions to parts of Dartmouth Street and implement as shown on plan T4/4295 appended to the report.			
2. Approved the recommended action to implement waiting restrictions to parts of Hurst Road and implement as shown on plan T4/4159 appended to the report.			
3. Approved the recommended action to implement waiting restrictions to parts of Wesley Street, Bilston and implement as shown on plan T4/4154A appended to the report.			
4. Approved the recommended action to implement waiting restrictions to parts of Bradley Lane and Stirling Road and implement as shown on plan T4/4204 appended to the report.			
5. Approved the recommended action to implement waiting and loading restrictions to parts of Kenilworth Crescent, Moreton Avenue and Hateley Drive and implement as shown on plan T3/1263 appended to the report.			
6. Approved the recommended action to implement waiting and loading restrictions in parts of Wallace Road, School Drive and Pace Crescent and implement as shown on plan T4/4174 appended to the report.			

7. Approved the recommended action to implement waiting and loading restrictions in parts of Thornton Road, Cavendish Road and Stow Heath Lane and implement as shown on plan T4/4247A appended to the report.
8. Authorised the Director of Governance to implement the relevant traffic regulation orders.

Decision maker	In consultation with	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Councillor Steve Evans	Director of City Environment	16 October 2020	Amanda Millard 01902 551799

**Title and summary of decision**

**Transportation Network – Miscellaneous Traffic Regulation Orders Section 278 and 38 Agreements**

1. Approved the recommended action to implement waiting and loading restrictions to parts of Warstones Drive; Glade Gardens; North Green (Plan T4/4254).
2. Approved the recommended action to implement waiting and loading restrictions to parts of Prosser Street; Ambergate Road; Babbington Drive; Bagshaw Close; Broad Lanes; Cairnhill Drive; Chaman Lal Gardens; Cardowen Place; Coseley Road; Elswick Close; Highfields Road; Ladymoor Road; Lowick Drive; Montagu Drive; Norman Davies Gardens; Welldale Grove (Plan T3/1216).
3. Approved the recommended action to implement 20mph Speed Limit to Norman Davies Gardens; Ambergate Road; Montagu Drive; Cardowen Place; Elswick Close; Cairnhill Drive; Chaman Lal Gardens; Babbington Drive; Welldale Grove; Lowick Drive; Bagshaw Close (Plan T3/1218).
4. Approved the recommended action to implement 7.5 Tonnes Weight Limit to Norman Davies Gardens; Ambergate Road; Montagu Drive; Cardowen Place; Elswick Close; Cairnhill Drive; Chaman Lal Gardens; Babbington Drive; Welldale Grove; Lowick Drive; Bagshaw Close (Plan T3/1219).
5. Approved the recommended action to implement Verge and Pavement Parking Order to Ambergate Road (Plan T3/1220).
6. Approved the recommended action to implement waiting and loading restrictions to parts of Lakefield Road; Lancaster Drive; Bernard Hall Avenue; John Sills Road; Victor Meade Drive; Gordon Rabbetts Crescent; Reginald Smith Crescent; Vincent Southworth Drive; Jennie Lee Avenue; Green Meadow (Plan T31244).]
7. Approved the recommended action to implement 20mph Speed Limit to Bernard Hall Avenue, John Sills Road, Lancaster Drive, Victor Meade Drive, Gordon Rabbetts Crescent, Reginald Smith Crescent, Vincent Southworth Drive, Ronald O Donnell Gardens (Plan T3/1241).
8. Approved the recommended action to implement waiting restrictions to parts of Vicarage Road (Plan T4/4318).

9. Approved the proposed revocation (in part) of existing Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) in Prosser Street where necessary to allow the implementation of the new TROs.
10. Authorised the Director of Governance to implement the relevant traffic regulation orders.

## Governance

Decision maker	In consultation with	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council	Director of Governance	9 September 2020	Julia Cleary 01902 555046
<b>Title and summary of decision</b>			
<b>Vice Chair Appointments to Our Council Scrutiny Panel and Stronger City Economy Scrutiny Panel</b>			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Approved the appointment of Councillor Udey Singh as Vice Chair of Our Council Scrutiny Panel for the remainder of the municipal year 2020/2021.</li> <li>2. Approved the appointment of Councillor Christopher Haynes as Vice Chair of Stronger City Economy Scrutiny Panel for the remainder of the municipal year 2020/2021.</li> </ol>			

## Joint Cabinet Member Approvals

Decision maker	In consultation with	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Leader of the Council Councillor Linda Leach	Director of Adults Services Director of City Environment	12 August 2020	Lynda Eyton 01902 555706
<b>Title and summary of decision</b>			
<b>Request for Discretionary top-up to Disabled Facilities Grant (IEDN:02/2020)</b>			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Agreed to the provision of discretionary top-up for the case detailed in the report below at a total cost of £18,382.40 subject to any additional unforeseen costs which may increase the amount of discretionary grant required.</li> <li>2. Determined that the full amount of any discretionary grant becomes repayable if the ownership of the property is transferred by any means within 10 years of the completion of the grant aided works. A local land charge would be registered to reflect this condition.</li> </ol>			

<b>Decision maker</b>	<b>In consultation with</b>	<b>Date Approved</b>	<b>Contact Officer</b>
Councillor Steve Evans Councillor Stephen Simkins	Director of Regeneration Director of City Economy	15 October 2020	Marianne Page 01902 55 1798
<b>Title and summary of decision</b>			
<b>Town Fund Capital Grant</b>			
1. Approved virements to individual projects within the overall programme for the £1 million Town Fund, in order that projects can be implemented in an agile and timely manner.			

## Part 2 – Exempt Items

### Environment

Decision maker	In consultation with	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Councillor Steve Evans	Director of City Environment	16 October 2020	Alison Porter 01902 555065
<b>Title and summary of decision</b>			
<b>CWC19047 Supply and Delivery of Refuse Containers</b>			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Approved the award of the contract for Lot 1A for the provision of Plastic Wheeled Bins (2 Wheeled) to MGB Plastics of Barbot Hall Industrial Estate, Mangham Road, Rotherham, South Yorkshire, S61 4RJ for the duration of four years from 01 October 2020 to 30 September 2024 for a contract value of £226,325.00.</li> <li>2. Approved the award of the contract for Lot 1B for the provision of Plastic Wheeled Bins (4 Wheeled) to MGB Plastics of Barbot Hall Industrial Estate, Mangham Road, Rotherham, South Yorkshire, S61 4RJ for the duration of four years from 01 October 2020 to 30 September 2024 for a contract value of £50,340.00.</li> <li>3. Approved the award of the contract for Lot 2 for the provision of Metal Waste Containers (4 Wheeled) to Egbert H Taylor of Oak Park, Rylands Lane, Elmley Lovett, Droitwich, Worcestershire, WR9 0QZ for the duration of four years from 01 October 2020 to 30 September 2024 for a contract value of £630,893.00.</li> </ol>			
Decision maker	In consultation with	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Councillor Steve Evans	Director of City Environment	26 October 2020	Alison Porter 01902 555065
<b>Title and summary of decision</b>			
<b>CWC20028 Acceptable Waste</b>			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Approved the award of the contract for the provision of Acceptable Waste to Suez Recycling and Recovery UK Limited of Suez House, Grenfell Road, Maidenhead, Berks., SL6 1ES for a duration of 26 months with the option of two annual extensions for a value of £16,778.125 income to the Council over the full 50 months.</li> </ol>			

## Housing

Decision maker	In consultation with	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Councillor Jacqueline Sweetman	Director of City Environment	13 October 2020	Karen Beasley 01902 554893
<b>Title and summary of decision</b>			
<b>Market to Affordable Housing Conversions Programme - Property Purchases</b>			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Approved the completion of the purchase of the former council properties listed in Appendix 1 at the agreed price of £744,000.</li> <li>2. Authorised the Chief Legal Officer or other authorised officers to execute legal documentation to put the purchases into effect.</li> </ol>			

## Joint Cabinet Member Approvals

Decision maker	In consultation with	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Councillor Stephen Simkins Councillor Louise Miles	Director of Regeneration Director of Finance	22 August 2020	Harold Mututa 07392121920
<b>Title and summary of decision</b>			
<b>Black Country AIM for GOLD Programme - Payment of grants to small and medium size enterprises (SMEs)</b>			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Approved payments totalling £91,679.50 as detailed at section 5.3 to the report.</li> </ol>			
Decision maker	In consultation with	Date Approved	Contact Officer
Councillor Stephen Simkins Councillor Louise Miles	Director of Regeneration Director of Finance	11 September 2020	Harold Mututa 07392121920
<b>Title and summary of decision</b>			
<b>Black Country AIM for GOLD Programme - Payment of grants to SMEs</b>			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Approved payments totalling £40,960.53 as detailed at section 5.3 to the report.</li> </ol>			

<b>Decision maker</b>	<b>In consultation with</b>	<b>Date Approved</b>	<b>Contact Officer</b>
Councillor Louise Miles Councillor Jacqueline Sweetman	Deputy Chief Executive Director of Finance	12 October 2020	Luke Dove 01902 557121
<b>Title and summary of decision</b>			
<b>Corporate Asset Management Fund – Approval of Projects 2020/21</b>			
1. Approved the allocation of £1.2 million from the Corporate Contingency to individual projects within Corporate Asset Management to facilitate the programme of works detailed in Table 1 of the report to include nine new projects.			

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