Record of Delegated Executive Decision(s)

1. Subject of decision

The Murton Gap Strategic Housing Site

2. Name and Title of Decision Maker

The Director of Housing and Property Services

3. Details of any Conflict of Interest and any Dispensation granted in respect of such Interest

None

4. Executive summary (To be taken from written report)

At its meeting held on 28 November 2022, Cabinet declared the Authority's land holdings at Murton Gap Strategic Housing Site as shown on Appendix Plan 1, ("Murton West"), and Appendix Plan 2, ("Murton East"), surplus to the Authority's requirements and available for disposal by private treaty to the Bernicia Group for the development of affordable homes.

Cabinet also delegated authority to the Director of Housing and Property Services to agree the final terms of sale to the Bernicia Group, in consultation with the Elected Mayor, the Director of Resources and the Assistant Chief Executive.

Cabinet further delegated authority to the Director of Resources to negotiate a sale contract, together with associated documents and complete the freehold transfer of the land at Murton Gap Strategic Housing Site to the Bernicia Group in accordance with all relevant legal requirements, the Authority's Constitution and Financial Regulations.

The purpose of this report is to seek final approval to the terms of sale in respect of Murton West, and an Option for Sale in respect of Murton East to the Bernicia Group in accordance with these delegations. By making these land holdings available for development by the Bernicia Group, this will assist with the Authority's priority to provide 5000 affordable homes in accordance with the Our North Tyneside Plan 2021–25.

5. Alternative Options considered

Not to approve the sale Murton West and the Option for Sale of Murton East with the Bernicia Group, in which case the land would remain undeveloped and within the ownership of the Authority.

6. Decision(s)

The Director of Housing and Property Services approved the sale of Murton West and the Option for Sale for Murton East with the Bernicia Group.

7. Reasons for the Decision(s)

It was considered to be the most advantageous way forward to assist with the Authority's affordable homes target.

8. Date Decision Made

12 December 2024

To be completed by Democratic Services

9. Is this decision subject to call-in and if so expiry date of call-in period

5pm at 19 December 2024

10. Date of Publication

12 December 2024

11. Implementation Date (if decision not called in)

After 5pm on 19 December 2024

*Note – The decision is not subject to Call-In, as agreed by the Chair of Council, due to the following reasons(s):