

To receive a recommendation from the Devolution Sub Committee and consider any actions and associated expenditure

28/22/23 **TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON SALTASH TOWN COUNCILS DEVOLUTION PROGRAMME AND CONSIDER ANY ACTIONS AND ASSOCIATED EXPENDITURE:**

a. Victoria Gardens - Cornwall Council revised Heads of Terms.

The Chairman informed Members that Cornwall Council are offering Saltash Town Council a leasehold or a freehold for Victoria Gardens and the Maurice Huggins Room by way of revised Heads of Terms.

The Chairman informed Members that the Town Councils Building Surveyor is due to undertake a Building Survey Report on Victoria Gardens only on the 20th April 2023.

The Town Clerk advised Members await the results of the Building Survey Report and Cornwall Councils Tree Condition Survey and Maintenance Report.

The Town Clerk informed Members that if it is important for the Maurice Huggins Room to be kept for community use then Cornwall Council may impose a covenant on the sale to ensure that is the case which would prevent commercial businesses using the property.

The Town Clerk informed Members that if the Town Council wished to pursue with a freehold the general maintenance of the area could have an operational impact on the Service Delivery Team therefore the matter would need to be considered at a Personnel Committee meeting.

It was proposed by Councillor Peggs, seconded by Councillor Martin and resolved to **RECOMMEND** to Full Town Council to be held on Thursday 13th April 2023;

1. To approve Cornwall Councils revised Heads of Terms for a freehold to Saltash Town Council at a price of £1 for the Maurice Huggins Room and Victoria Gardens;
2. To accept Cornwall Councils offer to provide Saltash Town Council a grant in the sum of £5,000 to undertake repairs and maintenance works to the railings;

3. Points 1 and 2 above are subject to;
 - i. The results of Cornwall Councils Tree Condition Survey and Maintenance Report;
 - ii. The Town Councils Building Survey Report;
 - iii. Confirmation of insurance cover and related cost;
 - iv. The Personnel Committee identifying additional work levels to efficiently discharge the work required by the Town Council.