

To: Infrastructure, Land and Environment Policy Board

On: 9 November 2022

Report by: Chief Executive

Heading: **Surplus Status for Former Residential Properties on Johnstone High School Grounds**

1. **Summary**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to declare two residential properties and related garages on Johnstone High School grounds as surplus to requirements and thereafter progress demolition.
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2. **Recommendations**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Infrastructure Land & Environment Board declares the three adjoining buildings, two former janitor's houses, and garage, as shown on the attached plan, are surplus to requirements and can be demolished.
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3. **Background**

- 3.1 As the Council has modernised its working practices there is no longer a requirement for janitorial staff to be in dedicated housing on or adjacent to the school site.
- 3.2 Due to the change in working practices two janitors' houses with ancillary garages at Johnstone High School have become unoccupied.
- 3.3 One of the former janitor's houses has been vacant for in excess of 10 years and is considered derelict.

The other janitor's house was vacated in February 2022. Its condition is deteriorating, and it has become a target for vandalism. The same is true of the attached garages where there has been a recent fire.

- 3.4 Due to their location deep within school grounds with the only access being across school property they are not considered suitable for sale on the open market. Children's Services has stated they have no requirement for the properties and their deteriorating condition is becoming problematic. It is proposed that the board declare the properties surplus and agree that they should be demolished.

Implications of the Report

1. **Financial** – Funding for demolition to be identified from the lifecycle maintenance fund.
2. **HR & Organisational Development** – None.
3. **Community Planning** – None.
4. **Legal** – None.
5. **Property/Assets** – A project to demolish the properties will be implemented.
6. **Information Technology** – None.
7. **Equality & Human Rights** –
 - (a) The Recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report because it is for noting only. If required following implementation, the actual impact of the recommendations and the mitigating actions will be reviewed and monitored, and the results of the assessment will be published on the Council's website.
8. **Health & Safety** – None.
9. **Procurement** – None.
10. **Risk** – None.
11. **Privacy Impact** – None.
12. **Cosla Policy Position** – None.

List of Background Papers - None.

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