



To: Environment Policy Board

On: 11th November 2015

Report by: Director of Community Resources

Heading: Disposal of Scott's Road Depot, Paisley

1. Summary

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek authority to declare the depot at Scott's Road, Paisley surplus to requirements and to approval disposal of the site.
 - 1.2 Through the Better Council Change Programme Report of October 2014 approval was given by Council to integrate the depots at Scott's Road and Clark Street into Underwood Road.
 - 1.3 The transfer of roads operations from Scott's Road to Underwood Road has been successfully completed. No further use has been identified for the former Scott's Road depot and consequently it is proposed to place this property on the market.
 - 1.4 The area utilised by the depot a Scott's Road is highlighted in appendix 1.
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2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Environment Policy Board declares the depot at Scott's Road, Paisley surplus to operational requirements and to approve disposal of the site.
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3. Background

- 3.1 The depot at Scott's Road has been solely used as an operational roads depot for many years. Due to changes in the size and function of the roads operation, the depot size is far in excess of what is required. Consequently, the depot at Scott's Road is not an efficient use of buildings and space.
- 3.2 As part of the Better Council Change Programme as approved by Council in October 2014 a rationalisation from three depots to a single depot at Underwood Road was approved. The relocation of roads operations at Scott's Road was a first phase of this project and has been delivered.

In consequence the Scott's Road depot which consists of:

- a large warehouse and storage area
- an office accommodation block
- a salt storage facility for winter gritting activities

is now vacant and surplus to operational requirements.

- 3.3 Approval is sought therefore for the Scott's Road depot to be declared surplus to requirements and placed on the market.

Implications of the Report

1. **Financial** – Savings delivered in line with the report to Council in October 2014 titled "Better Council Change Programme – Progress Report".

2. **HR & Organisational Development** – none

3. **Community Planning**

Safer and Stronger – the removal of these buildings will contribute to the aims that

- Renfrewshire is known as a place where people feel safe and secure, and
- our communities will live their lives safe from anti social behaviour

4. **Legal** – There are no restrictions on the Council in terms of demolishing these properties.

5. **Property/Assets** – Existing assets at the Underwood Road depot will be more efficiently utilised.
6. **Information Technology** – none
7. **Equality & Human Rights** - 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** – N/A

List of Background Papers - none

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Appendix 1: Scotts Road Depot Plot

