

DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE RESOURCES

DELEGATED POWERS

The following Delegated Powers should be read in conjunction with the General Scheme of Delegation to Heads of Departments, Financial Procedural Rules, Contract Procedure Rules, and Local Conditions of Service.

Officers should also have regard to any Departmental rules and conventions before exercising powers.

	<u>POWER</u>	COMMITTEE/ SUBCOMMITTEE
1.	<u>Management of Pension Fund Investments</u>	
	In respect of pension fund investments:-	PENSION FUND MANAGEMENT BOARD 25/02/11
(i)	Power to implement policies agreed by the Pension Fund Management Board or the Investment Subcommittee;	
(ii)	Power to approve individual property transactions within the strategy agreed by the Pension Fund Management Board or the Investment Subcommittee;	
(iii)	Power to approve arrangements to obtain single tenders or tenders on a 'cost plus' basis where it is considered by the Director that no advantage would be gained by seeking competitive tenders;	
(iv)	Power to take action between meetings which is considered urgent in consultation with the Chairman of the Pension Fund Management Board or his or her nominee, and subject to the details of such action being reported for information to the next appropriate meeting concerned.	

2. **Operation of the Local Government Pension Scheme**
- Power to:
- (i) revise pension contribution bandings as appropriate; and
- (ii) determine applications for flexible retirement on the basis agreed from time to time by the Employment Committee.
- EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE
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3. **Local Government Pension Scheme – Administering Authority Discretions**
- Power to agree such future changes to Administering Authority discretions under the Local Government Pension Scheme as the Director considers appropriate.
- EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE
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4. **Car Leasing**
- Power with the Chief Executive, to agree leasing terms and administrative arrangements for a car leasing scheme.
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5. **Price of School Meals**
- Power with the Director of Children and Young People’s Service to adjust the price of school meals each year, having regard to the level of subsidy to be provided by the County Council and the increase agreed in the contractor’s tender price under the terms of the school meals contract.
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6. **Insurance Cover**
- Power to accept quotations for insurance cover.
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7. **Land Compensation**
- Power to negotiate and settle claims for compensation:
- (i) made by the County Council in relation to its property both freehold and leasehold;
- (ii) made against the County Council in relation to its property both freehold and leasehold or work carried out under its statutory powers.
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8. **Property Management**

- (i) Power to agree and review as appropriate terms for the granting, taking or surrender of any lease, tenancy agreement, hiring arrangement, occupational or other license of land owned or required by the County Council, subject to any rent of land owned by the County Council being assessed on an open market basis, unless the Director is satisfied a lesser rent or user charge will be beneficial to the local community; CABINET
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- (ii) Power in respect of county farms to select tenants and sell milk quotas in accordance with any legislation in force for the time being;
- (iii) Power to agree assignments and the granting of underleases by tenants and to consent or object to improvements carried out by tenants;
- (iv) Power to approve plans whether as landlord or vendor for development of land;
- (v) Power to agree to the granting, taking or surrender of any easements over land;
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- (vii) Power, subject to consultation with the County Solicitor, to serve Notices to Quit or to terminate for any purpose.

9. **Planning Applications**

- (i) Power to submit planning applications and pursue appeals as appropriate in respect of land, whether or not it is in the ownership of the County Council, and whether or not it is intended for the development to be undertaken by the County Council alone or jointly with another party or by another party; CABINET
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- (ii) Power to submit applications for planning permission in respect of land not in the ownership of the County Council and not covered by the provisions of Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning Regulations 1992 and to incur such fees as may be

necessary.

10. **Sales and Acquisitions**

- (i) Power to declare land surplus to requirements, to dispose of it and earmark the proceeds of sale where required for another facility; CABINET
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- (ii) Power to dispose of land at less than the best value which might reasonably be expected, where either the undervalue is considered to be de minimis or the Director is satisfied the disposal will meet the wellbeing test in the General Disposal Consent in force for the time being, and the following criteria:
- (a) A positive business case for the proposed disposal/transfer;
 - (b) The proposed use is demonstrated through the business case to be more beneficial to the wider community and locality than alternative uses;
 - (c) The proposed means of transfer is the most effective way to realize the benefits being sought;
 - (d) The County Council's interest is protected by appropriate safeguards.
- (iii) Power to authorize the change of use of property;
- (iv) Power to purchase land for schemes within the approved capital programme or for other purposes up to a maximum of £2m per transaction, to take all necessary steps to complete the purchase of land following the making of a Compulsory Purchase Order and to acquire replacement land where required by statute (e.g. for a replacement recreation/sports facility) in order to achieve the best value disposal of an asset.
- (iv) Power to agree accommodation work and allied or associate matters where land is acquired for statutory purposes, subject to the costs being met from the approved capital programme, or as agreed in consultation with the Chief Officer of the Department for which the land has been

acquired;

- (v) References to “land” in the above paragraphs include buildings, as well as existing and new rights and interests in both land and buildings.

11. **Joint Venture Agreements**

Power to the Director of Corporate Resources to negotiate and agree terms of and the County Solicitor to sign any Joint Venture or other development/partnership agreements which are considered necessary in connection with the schemes for the development of County Council land or property, subject to consultation with the Lead Member for Resources.

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12. **Abortive Property Negotiations**

Power to pay professional fees on abortive negotiations.

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13. **Safety of Sports Grounds**

Power to exercise the functions of the County Council under safety of sport grounds, fire safety and safety of places of sport legislation in force from time to time, subject in the case of instituting proceedings, to the concurrence of the County Solicitor.

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14. **Trading of Landfill Allowances**

Power to undertake the trading of landfill allowances jointly with the Director of Environment and Transport, in consultation with the Lead Member for Waste, subject to any trading that has taken place in each year being reported to the Cabinet at the end of the reconciliation period for each Allowance year (i.e. by the following September).

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15. **Academy Schools**

Power to agree land and other transfer arrangements where a school becomes an Academy in accordance with any legislation in force for the time being.

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