

**Bracknell Forest Council
Record of Decision**

Work Programme Reference	I107054
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1. **TITLE:** Disposal of Ascot Heath Caretaker's Bungalow

2. **SERVICE AREA:** People

3. **PURPOSE OF DECISION**

To approve the disposal of the caretaker's bungalow at Ascot Heath School and allocation of the resultant capital receipt.

4. **IS KEY DECISION** No

5. **DECISION MADE BY:** Executive Member for Children, Young People & Learning

6. **DECISION:**

That the disposal of the caretaker's bungalow at Ascot Heath school be approved with the governing body of the school retaining the full net receipts which would be swapped with the council for revenue funds to part repay the school's accumulated revenue deficit.

7. **REASON FOR DECISION**

The building was vacated in 2019 and in December 2019 the school governing body formally declared the building to be surplus to its requirements and requested the Council to dispose of the property. On 7 April 2020 the People Directorate DMT declared the bungalow surplus to requirements subject to the capital receipt being used to pay off the school's debt to the Council. Asset Management Board approval to dispose was received on 7 May 2020.

8. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

Providing accommodation for an on-site caretaker is an option, however the Governing Body has indicated that, as part of their cost saving initiatives, they have decided not to employ an on-site caretaker. They feel this role can be accomplished by someone not living on site, following the precedent set by other local schools.

Alternative non-school residential use is not possible without construction of a new access route to the bungalow from Rhododendron Walk to enable the bungalow to have its own separate access for safeguarding reasons.

9. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** Report of the Executive Director: People

10. **DECLARED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** None.

Date Decision Made	Final Day of Call-in Period
14 June 2022	21 June 2022