



<b>To Councillor:</b> Richard Robertson – Executive Councillor for Finance & Resources Chair – Sophie Barnett Opposition Spokesperson – Jamie Dalzell	<b>Comment to:</b> Clare Mitchell, Principal Property Surveyor The Guildhall Cambridge CB2 9QJ
<b>To Officer:</b> Caroline Ryba – Head of Finance	
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# MEMBER CONSULTATION

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This is a formal consultation letter seeking your views in the following circumstances:

- ✓ Urgency Action: your views are sought as a committee Chair or Spokesperson on a matter which is not delegated to officers but on which action must be taken as a matter of urgency.

Please reply in writing by **12<sup>th</sup> November 2018** by completing and returning one copy of this consultation letter.

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## **Briefing report**

**Subject:** Freehold transfer of 11A Thorpe Way, Cambridge. It is not considered that this matter meets the statutory exemptions from publication contained in the Local Government Act 1972.

**Background:** The above property was part of a scheme which included the Ditton Land shops and was built under a long lease by Urban Properties Ltd. Urban Properties Ltd subsequently went into administration and the Treasury Solicitor disclaimed their lease under a notice dated 7 October 2003. The twelve householders therefore became direct tenants of the Council on long leases and their ground rent is invoiced annually. The leaseholder of 11A Thorpe Way has approached the Property Services team requesting to purchase the freehold of their property. The freehold interest has been valued by the Council at £5,200 and the leaseholder would also be required to pay the Council's legal costs estimated at £1,700 plus any additional search or registration fees.



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