Finance and Resources Committee

10.00am, Tuesday, 25 April 2023

Land at 67 Pilrig Park, Edinburgh - Proposed Disposal

Executive/routine Routine

Wards 12 – Leith Walk

Council Commitments

1. Recommendations

1.1 That Finance and Resources Committee approve the disposal of 736 sq m of land at 67 Pilrig Park, on the terms and conditions outlined in this report.

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2. Executive Summary

2.1 The Council has received a request from the homeowner of 67 Pilrig Park to acquire the remaining 50% share of the driveway to their house plus a former council storage building. This report seeks approval to dispose of the land and building on the terms and conditions outlined in the report.

3. Background

- 3.1 In 2002, the Council sold the residential dwelling at 67 Pilrig Park. At that time, the Council retained a 50% ownership share of the driveway, shown shaded yellow on the plan at Appendix 1, to permit access to a storage building, hatched blue on the plan, which was required for operational use by the Parks service. In total, the ground extends to 736 sq m.
- 3.2 The owner of 67 Pilrig Park has now approached the Council to acquire the both the remaining 50% share of the access and the former storage building.
- 3.3 The Parks service has confirmed that there is now no operational need for the store and therefore it, and the shared access, are no longer required. There is no public access to the land as it forms part of the grounds to the house previously sold.
- 3.4 As there is no longer any operational need, it is proposed to sell the interests to the current owner of 67 Pilrig Park.

4. Main report

- 4.1 The following terms have been provisionally agreed:
 - 4.1.1 Subjects: sale of the former store and 50% share of the driveway;
 - 4.1.2 Purchaser: Mrs Ferguson;
 - 4.1.3 Purchase Price: £98,900;
 - 4.1.4 Costs: the purchaser is to meet the Council's reasonable legal fees and Property Costs of 2% of the purchase price;

4.2 The sale price was negotiated with the purchasers agent based on current market evidence.

5. Next Steps

5.1 Following Committee approval, Legal Services will be instructed to progress with drafting the essential documentation for the disposal.

6. Financial impact

6.1 A capital receipt of £98,900 will be achieved in financial year 2023/24.

7. Stakeholder/Community Impact

7.1 Ward members have been made aware of the recommendations of this report.

8. Background reading/external references

8.1 None.

9. Appendices

9.1 Appendix 1 – Location plan.

