Land at Rigby Street/Manscroft Place (Ward 19) - Land acquisition approved - Instruction to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding proposals for an acquisition of land at Rigby Street/Manscroft Place (Ward 19) from Clyde Gateway Developments Limited (Clyde Gateway),

(1) advising that

- (a) the second phase of the Water Row Masterplan in Govan that would complete the residential aspect providing a further 100 dwellings together with associated commercial space was unable to progress until the Council had vacant possession of land that was currently occupied by 2 separate Showman's Yards;
- (b) utilising funding secured from the Vacant and Derelict Land and Clyde Mission, the Council was currently endeavouring to secure alternative sites and make them ready for occupation and had notified Clyde Gateway of its requirement to acquire a suitable site (or sites) to support the relocation of the Showman's Yards currently located at Water Row;
- (c) Clyde Gateway had advised the Council that it was seeking to dispose of a 0.75 acre site located at Rigby Street/Manscroft Place, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report, that was adjacent to 4 other yards owned or tenanted by members of the Showmen's Guild of Great Britain whilst indicating that the site benefited from planning permission for the proposed use and the capacity to accommodate up to 7 residential chalets; and
- (d) following an evaluation, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability officers were satisfied that the proposed site could accommodate one of the yards currently located at Water Row and entered into discussions regarding the site acquisition with Clyde Gateway; and
- (2) detailing the provisionally agreed terms and conditions.

After consideration, the Committee

- (i) approved the Council acquiring the land at Rigby Street/Manscroft Place from Clyde Gateway Developments Limited on the terms and conditions outlined in the report; and
- (ii) instructed the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, in consultation with the Director of Legal and Administration, to conclude all other matters pertaining to the acquisition and to enter into necessary legal agreements on terms that were in the best interests of the Council.