

Flat 3/02, 438 Cathcart Road (Ward 8) - Compulsory purchase order approved.

5 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking authority to promote a compulsory purchase order (CPO) of Flat 3/02, 438 Cathcart Road (Ward 8), advising that

- (1) it was believed that the property had been unoccupied since approximately July 2011, with the empty homes team being notified in 2023 and as a result, the Long Term Empty Premium had been applied from 1st April 2024;
- (2) repeated attempts to contact the owner had been unsuccessful, with recent recorded-delivery correspondence returned by Royal Mail and a potential alternative address that had since been identified and the owner written to had also received no responses;
- (3) the flat was considered to be in a state of disrepair, which was having a detrimental impact on neighbouring properties and preventing common repairs from being carried out therefore acquisition of the property by Govanhill Housing Association would enable necessary repairs to be undertaken and allow the property to be brought back into use for much-needed social housing; and
- (4) the proposal was to enter into a back-to-back agreement with the successful purchaser after the CPO had been confirmed by Scottish Ministers.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) approved the promotion of a CPO at Flat 3/02, 438 Cathcart Road in advance of securing a back-to-back agreement with the purchaser; and
- (b) approved a 'back-to-back' agreement with Govanhill Housing Association for Flat 3/02, 438 Cathcart Road.