

Off-market negotiations for the sale of the old Springburn Library, 179 Ayr Street (Ward 17) approved - Authority to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

8 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability seeking authority to commence off-market negotiations for the sale of the Old Springburn Library, 179 Ayr Street, advising that

- (1) the building was constructed in 1904 and was used primarily as a library and latterly, Jobs Business Glasgow (JBG) had leased the property from the Council, however with the lease to JBG now having expired, the Council were responsible for the property and were keen to ensure the future purposeful use of the building and minimise holding costs on an empty property;
- (2) NG Homes Ltd would like to acquire the property to deliver economic and social opportunities for the community, including providing office space for a local social initiative, whilst reintroducing access for the public through a variety of innovative projects; and
- (3) should authority be granted to commence off-market negotiations with NG Homes, they would undertake discussions with interested parties regarding their use, as part of the overall proposals.

After consideration, the committee

- (a) authorised the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to commence off-market negotiations for the sale of the old Springburn Library, 179 Ayr Street, to NG Homes Ltd; and
- (b) noted that the agreed terms and conditions of the proposed sale would either be considered under delegated authority or reported back to this Committee for approval depending on the appropriate thresholds.