

OFFICER DECISION NOTICE



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☒ **A.** Decisions taken by officers under a specific express delegation from Council or a Committee.

☐ **B.** Decisions taken by officers under a general delegation from Council or a Committee, which relates to (i) a permission or a licence, or (ii) the rights of an individual, or (iii) a contract or expenditure over £100,000.

1. Title of decision:	Reading Hampshire Property Partnership Ltd - Closure
2. Date of the decision:	09 December 2025
3. The decision maker:	Assistant Director Legal and Democratic Services

4. Decision details:

To confirm the shareholder and board resolutions to close Reading Hampshire Property Partnership Ltd on behalf of the Council. See minute 17 (3) of the delegation from Policy Committee on 21 July 2025.

5. Reasons for the decision:

On 21 July 2025, Policy Committee acting as 49% Shareholder for Reading Hampshire Property Partnership delegated its shareholder function to the Assistant Director of Legal and Democratic Services in order to be able to deal with resolutions for the closure of the Company:

Resolved –

(1) That Reading Hampshire Property Partnership Ltd is no longer required to meet the Council's property service needs, be noted;

(2) That the Committee, acting as 49% shareholder of Reading Hampshire Property Partnership Ltd, approves the closure of the Company following completion of all outstanding projects and contractual obligations;

(3) That the Assistant Director for Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to act as the shareholder representative with full authority to approve the Board resolution for the formal closure of Reading Hampshire Property Partnership Ltd and to deal with all miscellaneous and consequential matters;

(4) That the closure process will commence following the Board resolution and completion of final accounts, with formal dissolution expected in summer 2025, be noted.

6. Alternative options considered (if any) and rejected:

None.

7. List of open Background Papers:

None.

8. List of confidential or exempt Background Papers:

None.

9. Any other matters taken into consideration:☐ Legitimate expectation of consultation☐ Procedural requirements☐ Public Health implications☐ Environmental or Climate Change☐ Health and Safety☐ Risk Management implications☐ Transparency of Information (FOI etc)☐ Privacy Impact Assessments☐ Human Rights Act Duties☐ Equality Impact Assessment☐ Corporate Parenting☐ Community Safety☐ Regulatory duties☐ EU withdrawal☐ Armed Forces Covenant☐ Other**Details of the matters taken into account:**

None.

10. Legal considerations

Legal advice was provided at the RHPP Ltd Board.

11. Financial considerations

There are none.

12. Internal consultations

Services are aware of the closure.

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13. The name of the Committee:

Policy Committee

14. Date of the meeting:

21 July 2025

15. Minute number:

17(3)

16. The delegation given by the Committee:

That the Assistant Director for Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to act as the shareholder representative with full

	authority to approve the Board resolution for the formal closure of Reading Hampshire Property Partnership Ltd and to deal with all miscellaneous and consequential matters;
17. The name of any member of the committee who declared a conflict of interest in relation to the decision:	None.
18. Any councillor or officer required to be consulted prior to the exercise of this delegation and details of their response.	None.