

OFFICER DECISION RECORD

Lead Officer: Dan Horn, Assistant Director	Service: Housing & Community Support
CMT Officer: Peter Catchpole, Corporate Director and Chief Finance Officer	Delegated Power Being Exercised: Part 3 - Responsibilities for Functions; Tables 4 and 5, paragraph 8: To be responsible for, and do anything required for the proper administration of the financial affairs of the Council
Subject of Decision: Utilising funding received from the Local Authority Housing Fund LAHF Round 2 - to approve the completion of a house purchase.	

Decision to be Taken:

Following cabinet approvals on 20 February 2023 and 17 July which authorised approval to purchase properties utilising LAHF grant received.

This officer decision notice is to record the decision to complete the purchase of the 2-bedroom semi-detached bungalow at 40 Grounds Avenue, March PE15 9BG.

Decision:

The purchase of this property as part of the LAHF programme in accordance with cabinet approvals at a purchase price of £210,000.

Reason for the Decisions:

I am permitting that we buy this property for the purchase price of £210,000 with an estimated grant of £101,778 (LAHF R2) towards this purchase and related costs for the following reasons:

- I have looked at the documentation supplied as part of the sale including:
 - Valuation Report.
 - Solicitor's Report,
 - Form of contract
 - IB submission

- I am satisfied that the purchase falls within the remit of what cabinet approved including:
 - It is within the financial thresholds of the confidential appendix.
 - The signed LAHF MOU with Government
 - The location of the property
 - The view of Investment Board

Alternative Options Considered (if appropriate):

Not applicable.

Background/Reports/Information considered and attached:

[Report and Appendix A.pdf \(fenland.gov.uk\)](#)

[LAHF Cabinet Report - July 2023.pdf \(fenland.gov.uk\)](#)

Decision Maker's Signature: Peter Catchpole	Date: 16 July 2024
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