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Decision Taker: Cabinet

Appropriate Scrutiny Committee: Management Scrutiny Committee

Date decision in force:

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Date of decision:

07/Jul/2011

Full description of decision:

To: a) approve the grant of a lease of a unit to the company detailed in the report on terms agreed by the Deputy Chief Executive and the Executive Director of Commercial and Corporate Services in consultation with the Leader and the relevant Portfolio Holder b) approve the grant of a Facility Enhancement Funding Agreement to the company on terms agreed by the Executive Director of Commercial and Corporate Services in consultation with the Leader and the relevant Portfolio Holder c) approve amendments to the existing lease of a unit to the company detailed in the report on terms agreed by the Deputy Chief Executive and the Executive Director of Commercial and Corporate Services in consultation with the Leader and the relevant Portfolio Holder d) authorise the taking of all necessary and incidental action required to give effect to this decision by the Deputy Chief Executive and Executive Director of Commercial and Corporate Services in consultation with the Leader and the relevant Portfolio Holder Executive and Executive Director of Commercial and Corporate Services in consultation with the Leader and the relevant Portfolio Holder

Reasons for decision:

The project will create 300 new jobs and will secure up to £10 million of new investment by the company. The project will bring a new high tech manufacturing process for the automotive sector which is not currently carried out in the region. The project will result in the occupation of a that has been vacant for over 4 years. The Council will secure a tenant for another unit until 31 December 2020 and potentially until 31 December 2026 if the break option is not exercised. The project will achieve the promotion and improvement of the economic, social and environmental well-being of the area.

Alternative options considered and rejected:

Not to lease the unit to the company, vary the terms of the existing lease of the other unit with other company and provide financial assistance would result in the project being located elsewhere with the loss of 300 jobs and loss of rental income to the Council. This option has been considered and is not recommended.

Title and author(s) of written report:

Application for Lease and Variation of Lease of Premises at Rainton Bridge North -Report of the Deputy Chief Executive and Executive Director of Commercial and Corporate Services

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Is this a key decision: Yes

Does the Decision contain Confidential/Exempt Information: Yes

Declarations of Interest and Dispensations:

None