GENERAL EXCEPTION NOTICE TO THE CHAIR OF THE CORPORATE PERFORMANCE PANEL OF A KEY DECISION TO BE MADE BY THE CABINET NOT PREVIOUSLY INCLUDED ON THE PUBLISHED FORWARD PLAN

Under Regulation 9 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, local authorities are required to publish a Forward Plan of key decisions to be made by the Executive at least 28 clear days before the date of the meeting at which the decision is to be taken.

In the event that the publication of the intention to make a key decision at least 28 days before the meeting is impracticable, the local authority must inform the Chair of the relevant overview and scrutiny committee (Corporate Performance Panel) of "*the matter about which the decision is to be made*", in accordance with Regulation 10 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.

The following notice is hereby provided:

Matter about which the decision is to be made
Cabinet may make the following key decision at its meeting on 17th November 2026 **Recommendation:** *1) Approve the disposal of the freehold interest in Plots M1 and Part Plot M2, Morston Drift, South Lynn, as set out in this report.* *2) Delegate authority to the Assistant Director for Property, in consultation with the Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Business, to finalise the terms of the disposal, including any non-material amendments.* **Reason for Decision:** To enable the Council to realise a capital receipt from the disposal of non-core assets and support the delivery of the Council's Capital Programme. To ensure that the East of England Ambulance Trust secures the site to accommodate their required provision in accordance with their delivery strategy to provide the optimum service delivery

Reasons why compliance with Regulation 9 was impracticable
The Council's constitution defines a key decision as follows: *an executive decision which is likely –* *(a) to result in the local authority incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or* *(b) to be significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in the area comprising two or more wards and electoral divisions in the Council's areas where significant under a) above is £500,000 or more and significant under b) above is one third of the resident population in a ward.* The total financial value of the disposal is over the key decision level. *The East of England Ambulance Trust (EEAT) agreed heads of terms for the sale of the sites M1 and M2 to them on 22nd October so there has not been time to place the proposed disposal on the Forward Plan in advance of Cabinet. The disposal process has been foreshortened by the EEAT's funding programme demanding an in principal decision on the sale within less*

than one month from the initial approach on 21st September 2026. Since that initial approach negotiations have been conducted leading to the terms for the disposal being agreed on 22nd October.

This notice is to be published 5 clear days before the identified key decision may be taken by Cabinet on 17th November 2026



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Date: 4th November 2026