

**EXCERPT OF MINUTE OF MEETING OF THE LEISURE SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD ON  
10 JUNE 1998****ACQUISITION OF SCOTTISH HOMES' LAND AT HONEYWELL CRESCENT, CHAPELHALL**

17. There was submitted a report (docketed) dated 26 May 1998 by the Director of Leisure Services (1) advising that Scottish Homes had agreed to sell an area of land to the former Monklands District Council to facilitate the provision of a new library at Chapelhall; (2) indicating that the valuation of the land, prepared by the District Valuer, amounted to £6,500 exclusive of VAT; (3) explaining that the transaction between the parties had never been concluded, and (4) recommending the acquisition of the site now be concluded.
- (1) that the Committee agree to recommend acquisition of the site at Honeywell Crescent, Chapelhall from Scottish Homes on the basis of the terms and conditions contained in the report, and
- (2) that the matter be referred to the Planning and Development (Buildings and Property) Sub-Committee for further consideration.

## REPORT

To: LEISURE SERVICES COMMITTEE		Subject: ACQUISITION OF SCOTTISH HOMES LAND AT HONEYWELL CRESCENT, CHAPELHALL
From: DIRECTOR OF LEISURE SERVICES		
Date: 26.5.98	Ref: NT/KF/AS	

1. **Introduction**

This report summarises the position regarding the acquisition of land at Honeywell Crescent, Chapelhall from Scottish Homes and the requirement to settle the transaction.

2. **Background**

2.1 A report was submitted to Monkland District Council's Leisure and Recreation Services Committee on the 14 September 1993 by the Director of Technical Services with regard to the provision of a new library at Chapelhall.

2.2 The Director of Technical Services advised the Committee that the site identified for the library was a railway embankment at the junction of Russell Street and Woodhall Street, Chapelhall and that proposals will be formulated to invite tenders for the removal of the embankment and that the Lanarkshire Development Agency had been approached for a contribution towards the cost of such a removal. Further that an existing shop on the site requires to be removed and a strip of land in the ownership of Scottish Homes acquired to enable the development to proceed.

2.3 The Committee approved the report by the Director of Technical Services and specifically that the Director of Planning and Development should progress the land acquisition.

2.4 Scottish Homes agreed to sell the land to Monklands District Council on the basis of an evaluation to be prepared by the District Evaluator and prior to concluding the conveyance of the site, Scottish Homes allowed access across the site by the District Council to commence construction of the new library.

2.5 The transaction was never concluded between the parties and the situation has been exacerbated by Local Government re-organisation.

3. **Present Position**

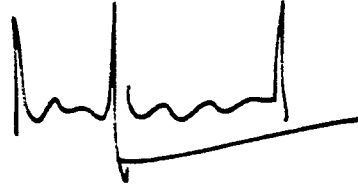
3.1 Scottish Homes have put the matter in hands of their solicitors who are in correspondence with the Department of Planning and Development.

3.2 The valuation of the land is quoted at £6,500 exclusive of VAT payable to Scottish Homes which the Director of Planning of Development considers to be a reasonable valuation.

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4. **Recommendations**

- 4.1 That Committee recommend the acquisition of the site;
- 4.2 That this report be referred to the Planning and Development (Buildings and Property) Sub -Committee.

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