

**NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL
REPORT**

To: POLICY AND RESOURCES (REGENERATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE) SUB COMMITTEE		Subject: LOANHEAD ROAD, HOLYTOWN SALE OF GROUND
From: HEAD OF CORPORATE PROPERTY & PROCUREMENT		
Date: 19 May 2016	Ref: IM / W15/17	

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report concerns the proposed sale of ground adjacent to Loanhead Road, Holytown.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The council has been approached by Network Rail who are seeking to acquire an area of ground adjacent to Loanhead Road, Holytown in order to formalise an access to the neighbouring railway line for works associated with the Edinburgh to Glasgow Improvement Programme.
- 2.2 The process to have the ground declared surplus to operational requirements is on-going and the matter will be considered at a future Planning and Transportation Committee. The sale will be conditional upon the land being declared surplus to operational requirements.
- 2.3 The council's Grounds Maintenance and Roads and Transportation were consulted on the proposal and no objections have been raised.

3. DESCRIPTION

- 3.1 The land to be sold is located on the south side of Loanhead Road opposite the junction with Atlin Drive, shown shaded on the attached plan. The ground forms part of a larger area of open space sandwiched between Loanhead Road to the north and the railway line to the south.
- 3.2 The ground to be sold extends to 775 square metres or thereby and is unkempt in appearance with numerous trees and shrubs. The disposal of this ground will have minimal impact on the remaining council owned land in this area.

4. SALE PROPOSAL

- 4.1 A sale figure of £45,000 has been provisionally agreed and the purchaser will be responsible for the council's legal fees and costs in relation to this transaction.

5. CORPORATE CONSIDERATIONS

- 5.1 The disposal is in line with Section 3.3.1 (i) (Direct Sales) of the Land and Property Sales Policy report, approved by the Policy & Resources (Property) Sub-Committee on 18th November 2010.
- 5.2 The proposed disposal will generate a capital receipt for the council.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 6.1 It is recommended that the ground adjacent to Loanhead Road, Holytown be disposed to Network Rail or their nominees on the terms outlined above.
- 6.2 All other terms of conditions to be adjusted by the Head of Corporate Property & Procurement.



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Members seeking further information on the contents of this report are asked to contact Mary Anne Robb, Business Manager (Estates) on 01236 632667.

LOCATION PLAN - For Information Only

Title: Ground adjacent to Loanhead Road

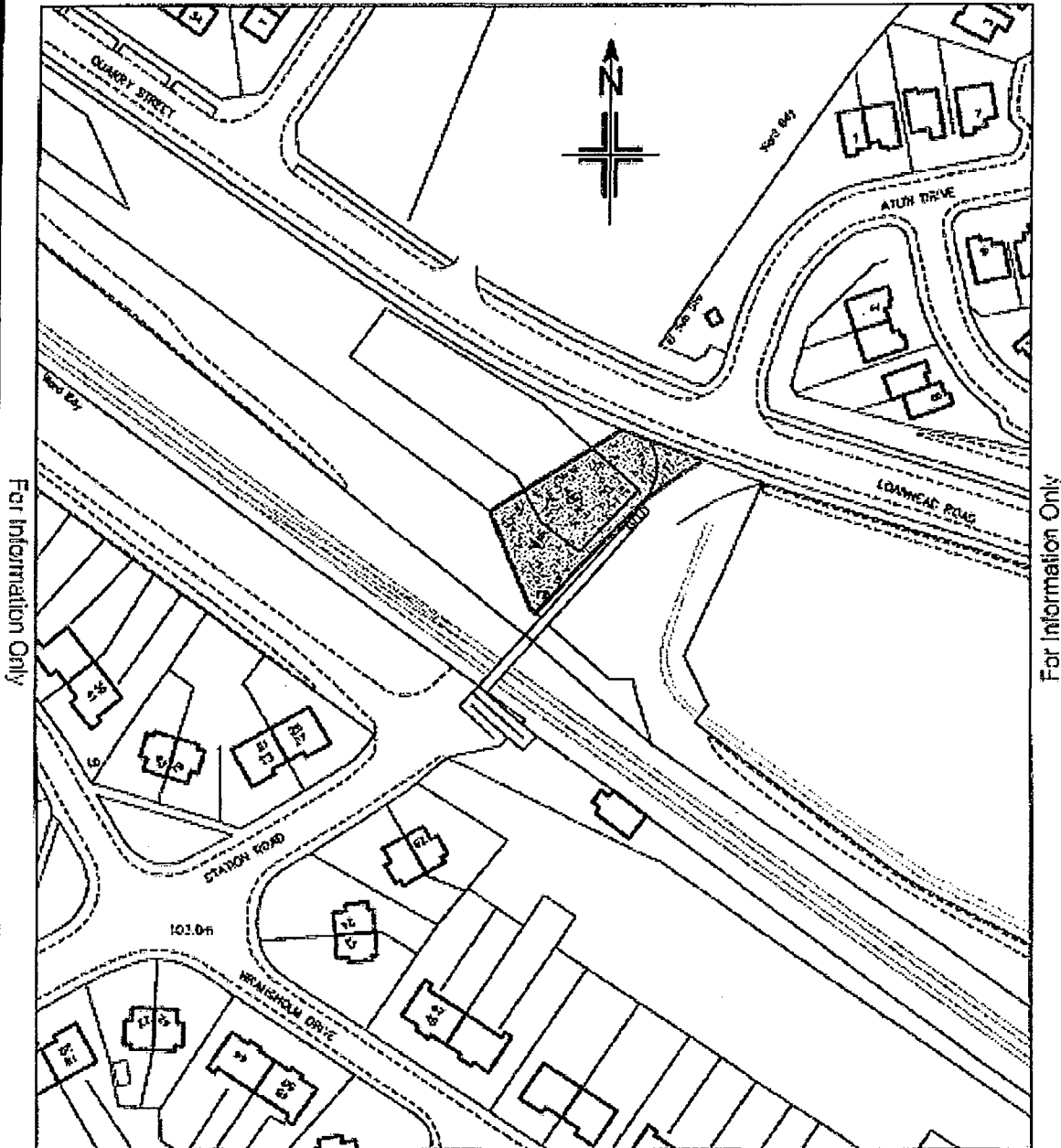
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