

## THE COUNTY FARMS ESTATE MANAGEMENT AND RESTRUCTURING

### Report of the Head of Digital Transformation and Business Support

*Please note that the following recommendations are subject to consideration and determination by the Committee before taking effect.*

#### Recommendation(s):

1. That 0.37 hectares (0.91 acres) or thereabouts of land forming part Manor Farm, Holcombe, Dawlish and more particularly known as part OS 3761 and 3775 be declared permanently surplus to the operational requirements of the Estate so that it can be developed as part of a highway improvement scheme.

#### **1.0 Part Manor Farm, Holcombe - land for cyclepath**

- 1.1 The Holcombe Estate comprises:

Manor Farm	53.05 hectares (131.10 acres)
Total	53.05 hectares (131.10 acres)

- 1.2 Manor Farm is being occupied and managed as a residential equipped starter farm until such times as the potential strategic or commercial development value of some or all of the land can be secured or permanently discounted.
- 1.3 Devon County Council's Engineers have identified a small part of the land as being strategically important and required for a highways improvement scheme. By taking a strip of land forming part Manor Farm adjacent to the A379, improvements can be made for cyclists and pedestrians between Teignmouth and Dawlish.

#### **2.0 Options/Alternatives**

- 2.1 Alternative options have been considered and discounted as they are believed to either be contrary to current Estate policy and/or not in the best financial interests of the Estate.

#### **3.0 Consultations/Representations/Technical Data**

- 3.1 The views and opinions of the Devon Federation of Young Farmers Clubs and the Estate Tenants Association will be presented by the two co-opted members to the committee.
- 3.2 No other parties have been consulted and no other representations for or against the proposal have been received
- 3.3 The technical data is believed to be true and accurate.

#### **4.0 Considerations**

- 4.1 The Author is not aware of any financial, sustainability, carbon impact, equality, legal, risk management or public health issues arising from this report

#### **5.0 Summary/Conclusions/Reasons for Recommendations**

- 5.1 The Author has prepared this report in accordance with the findings of the County Farms Estate Strategic Review (April 2010)

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#### Electoral Divisions:

Dawlish

#### Local Government Act 1972: List of Background Papers

None

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