EAST RENFREWSHIRE COUNCIL

CABINET

5 June 2014

Report to Director of Environment

PROPOSED DISTRICT GAS GOVERNOR SITE CROOKFUR ROAD, NEWTON MEARNS

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval for the proposed sale of Council land at the corner of Crookfur Road and Stewarton Road, Newton Mearns.

RECOMMENDATION

2. It is recommended that the Cabinet approve the sale of Council owned land at the corner of Crookfur Road/Stewarton Road, Newton Mearns to Scottish Gas Networks PLC for the sum of £1,000.

BACKGROUND AND REPORT

- 3. Scottish Gas Networks PLC, who maintain the gas distribution network, has approached the Council seeking to purchase a small area of Council owned amenity ground adjacent to Crookfur Roundabout as the site for a proposed new district gas governor.
- 4. The ground extends to approximately 36sqm and is shown bold and hatched on the location plan attached (Appendix 1).
- 5. Following consultation with Parks and Roads and Transportation Services, it is proposed that the land and associated servitude rights of access be sold to Scottish Gas Networks PLC for the sum of £1,000 with the detailed terms and conditions to be agreed between the Council and the Scotland Gas Networks Plc.

FINANCE AND EFFICIENCY

6. The proposed sale will generate a capital receipt of £1,000. Legal and surveyor's fees will be expected to be reimbursed by the prospective purchaser.

CONSULTATION

7. Consultation has been undertaken between Property & Technical Services, Roads & Transportation and Parks Services.

PARTNERSHIP WORKING

8. There is no partnership working associated with this report.

IMPLICATIONS OF THE PROPOSAL

9. There are no staffing, IT, equalities or other implications associated with this report.

CONCLUSIONS

10. The proposed sale will enable Scotland Gas Networks PLC to meet their statutory gas distribution obligations at a location which should avoid any significant disruption or compromise the Council's wider ownership interests within the area.

RECOMMENDATION

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Director of Environment

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