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Cabinet - 11 October 2022

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1. Question from Councillor Willingham to the Cabinet Member for Housing, Councillor Victoria Atherstone

On 4th June 2021, a fire at 168 Arle Road left the building a wrecked, burnt-out shell. By the time of this Cabinet meeting, the building will have been in that state for 16 months. The date in the Forward Plan for Cabinet making the decision to commence issuing a Compulsory Purchase Order for this property seems to keep getting pushed back. Given the blight that the building is causing the area, and the fact that until it is made good the community will not be able to fully move on, could I get an assurance that the Council will expedite getting a resolution to this issue, and that the report authorising the CPO will be brought to the next Cabinet Meeting?

Response from Cabinet Member

Compulsory Purchase is a complicated process involving confidential information and which can only be undertaken as a last resort. Certain factors relating to this case have meant that there have been delays beyond the control of CBC. I have, however, received officer assurance that the report will be taken to Cabinet in December 2022.

