

THE CALL IN PERIOD FOR THIS DECISION EXPIRES AT 5.00PM ON MONDAY, 10 OCTOBER 2011. THE DECISION CANNOT BE IMPLEMENTED UNTIL AFTER THAT DATE.

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS AT COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT ON MONDAY, 3 OCTOBER 2011

Present: Cllr Barry Abraham - Cabinet Member for Fire, Culture and Resident's Services

Jon Baker – Democratic Services Officer

Item	The Disposal Of Ventnor Botanic Garden
Decision reference	39/11
Notice of Decision Published	Friday, 23 September 2011
Decision taken	Option A - To transfer Ventnor Botanic Garden by inviting expressions of interest in a property disposal (subject to Grant conditions being met and BIG consent)
Reasons for decision	To support the potential development of a social enterprise or similar community venture which could include members of the community in the operation of the Garden. To support the council's corporate priority of delivering savings, through changed service provision.
Additional reasons	To align with the Eco Island themes of a Thriving Island, and Safe and Well-kept Island, because it has the potential to support the development of a new direction for the Garden and prioritise sustainability in terms of the economy and the environment.
Options considered and rejected	Option B - To transfer Ventnor Botanic Garden through the use of a tendering process (subject to Grant conditions being met and BIG consent) Option C - To retain Ventnor Botanic Garden within council management.
Declarations of interest	None
Additional advice received	None received