## 27. SURPLUS PROPERTY – FERRYMEAD NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL LAND FOR DISPOSAL LEASE/ REDEVELOPMENT

The Board considered a report generated by a Property Unit circular advising of surplus property which was available for disposal or redevelopment. This surplus property was the land which the Council had purchased in recent years from the Ferrymead Trust.

Property Officer, Steve McCarroll explained to Board members that the purpose of the property disposal notice was to ascertain from within the Council whether there was any internal interest in uses for the Ferrymead land. Registrations of interest are to be collated with any other expressions of interest from outside the Council to enable the Property Unit to make recommendations to the Council on the future use of the land, or on the possible disposal of any areas identified as surplus to the Council's needs.

Mr Manning commented that the Council had previously resolved that there be consultation with Ferrymead Societies before any property disposal took place and sought an assurance that this consultation would occur. Mr McCarroll assured Mr Manning that this consultation would be carried out.

## The Board **decided**:

- 1. To register an interest in the retention of the Ferrymead land for use for historical waterways and parks purposes.
- 2. That John Freeman and Linda Rutland be appointed by the Board to keep a watching brief on the process of determining the future use of the Ferrymead land on behalf of the Board.