

**JOINT PROPOSAL FROM EAST CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL AND
CITY OF ELY COUNCIL (HEADS OF TERMS)**

PURPOSE

The transfer of the Tourism and Town Centres function from East Cambridgeshire District Council to Ely City Council.

SCOPE OF THE TRANSFER

For the purposes of this proposal, the Tourism and Town Centres function includes Oliver Cromwell's House, Tourism Information Centre, Events and Town Centres.

This proposal specifically excludes car parking and town centre activities in relation to Soham and Littleport.

TRANSFER OF STAFF

Permanent members of staff will be transferred under TUPE to the City of Ely Council.

The District Council will underwrite the redundancy and pension strain costs for the above staff up to £45,064 for the period up to 31 March 2021.

TRANSFER OF ASSETS

The District Council will grant the City of Ely Council a 10 year lease at a peppercorn rent (in accordance with the current freehold agreement and covenants) with mutually agreed option to extend. The lease will be full repairing. The landlord will grant the right to assign without his/her consent.

This will include all existing stock in OCH/TIC.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The District Council will pay the City of Ely Council £31,219 per annum for five years up to 31 March 2023 as detailed in Schedule 3. The District Council will also provide a one off pump priming grant of £44,574 to the City Council in 2018/19. See paragraph 5.1 of the attached report.