Site of old Forfar Academy, Taylor Street, Forfar – Options Appraisal

Description of option	Advantages	Disadvantages	Cost benefit analysis and triple bottom line appraisal	Rank in order of preference
Status Quo (Do nothing)		 Site will continue to need to be maintained including rates and security costs; Inefficient use of council resources. 	Ongoing revenue costs	4
Appropriation to Housing Revenue Account (HRA)	 Provides affordable housing Delivers the Council's Strategic Housing Investment Plan (SHIP) 		 Council's General Fund would benefit from a £736,000 capital receipt Council General Fund makes revenue savings from releasing maintenance liabilities to the HRA Significant Capital Investment and potential to secure external funding from Scottish Government 	1
Lease of Property	 Rental income Council's General Fund revenue savings from 	 Timescale to let and potential future periods without tenant Marketing costs 	Lack of capital receiptMarketing costsOngoing liabilities	3

	releasing maintenance liabilities to the tenant	Property returns to council at some point in the future for re-leasing or disposal		
Sale of Property	May generate a greater capital receipt albeit reduced by marketing costs and interim revenue costs	 May not generate a greater capital receipt Lack of certainty about timing of sale and future use of the site 	 Marketing costs Ongoing revenue costs ahead of sale Unknown capital receipt 	2