

GLA 30/9.2

Relocation

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BOARD PAPER REFERENCE – GLA 30/9.2– GLA Relocation

Issue

1. To update the Board on the relocation of the GLA.

Recommendation

2. The Board is invited to note the options for the forthcoming relocation.

Background

3. The GLA currently occupies premises at a Government Site - Chalfont Drive, Nottingham (584 sqms).
4. The current accommodation costs are very competitive, giving excellent value for money.
5. This site is owned by the Land Registry who have given notice to tenants to vacate by 31 March 2012.
6. It is Government policy that, where practical, current vacant government space should be utilised rather than private sector accommodation.
7. In addition, there is also an expectation that in relocating the GLA will achieve a 25% efficiency saving in its space requirements.
8. In aiming to achieve these savings we are considering the feasibility of co-locating with other agencies within the Defra family (Natural England and RPA) and reducing the square meterage to 400.
9. The Government Property Unit have put forward the following premises which are currently under consideration:
 - Brunel House, London Road, Derby
 - The Coal Authority, Lichfield Lane, Mansfield
 - Stanley House, Talbot Street, Nottingham
 - DVLA, Nottingham Business Park (for sole occupancy by the GLA)

The Current Position

10. We are currently reviewing the financial implications and disruption to staff of the move and hope to be in a position to report the final outcome at the next Board Meeting.