

COUNCIL
22 FEBRUARY 2023

TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF COUNCIL PROCEDURE
RULE 10.2

61 Westgate – Questions from Councillor Adrian Owens

- a) *The date on which 61 Westgate, Skelmersdale became vacant?*

Response

The previous internal Council occupier gave notice and moved out June 2022. As there were no immediate takers for the space - clearance of furniture, equipment and extensive filing was phased for some months after then, as were making good works to décor, carpets etc. Relocation of comms and other plant through external suppliers has become protracted, but this has not prevented the carrying out of viewings.

- b) *The date on which the council started marketing 61 Westgate, Skelmersdale to potential new occupants?*

Response

June 2022.

- c) *The marketing channels utilised to date in relation to marketing 61 Westgate, Skelmersdale?*

Response

Advertising hoardings at the property, Advertisement on the Council's Available Properties Across the Borough Internet web site. Rightmove is advertising offices to rent at the Sandy Lane Centre

- d) *The cost to date of any marketing to secure a new occupant for 61 Westgate, Skelmersdale"*

Response

Under £1k. Plans to ramp up marketing activity if no interest is received shortly exist.