

**SECTION 1**

(to be completed by Collections Officer)

**1.1 Description of Object/Objects****Book case – L 53 / Linen cupboard – L 54 (548)**

Two 18<sup>th</sup> century items of furniture – a book case and linen cupboard – on loan from the Bacon family, who used to own Gainsborough Old Hall before it was gifted to the nation and passed into the care of the Friends of Gainsborough Old Hall in the 1950s. In 1979 the Friends relinquished responsibility for the Old Hall and passed the building, collections and all loan material into the care of Lincolnshire County Council.

Although both items have loan numbers (L 53 and L 54) one also has a Friends accession number, 548, (and it is likely L53 also had a number, now lost) so their accession status is under dispute. If they are accessioned this was in error.

**1.2 Reason For Disposal**

The items are on loan to Gainsborough Old Hall and the owners now wish for them to be sold at auction. They do not fit into any of the current displays and there are no longer any storage facilities at Gainsborough Old Hall.

**1.3 Suggested Means of Disposal & Reason**

The Bacon family have stated that they would like to take the two items to auction as Gainsborough Old Hall can no longer display them and the family do not wish for them to be returned.

**1.4 Impact Statement**

**1.4.1 Potential Risks** – none, although it should be made clear in any documentation and paperwork that the items are being sold by the owners, the Bacon family, and not Lincolnshire County Council.

**1.4.2 Potential Benefits** – reduction in the cost of removing stored items to Lincoln. Would redress issue of acquiring material unethically.

## 1.5 Other Considerations

Gainsborough Old Hall will facilitate the collection of the cupboards by the auction house.

## 1.6 Recommendation

To deaccession the two cupboards and allow the auction house to collect them. Any agreement/contract will be between the auction house and the Bacon family.

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### **SECTION 2**

(to be completed by Disposal Panel)

#### 2.1 Panel Decision

Fully agree with Disposal Report Section 1 recommendation

Agree with Disposal Report Section 1 recommendation, with additional requirements/  
comment (section 2.2)

Disagree with Disposal Report recommendation for reasons given below (section 2.2)

#### 2.2 Additional Comments

*Caveats/questions regarding disposal; reasons for disagreeing with recommendation; raise points requiring further clarification, for inclusion in Exec. Cllr. Report or resolution prior to submitting this report..*

Signed: Jonathan Platt (Chair of Disposal Panel)

Date: 08/06/11

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### **SECTION 3**

(to be completed by Collections Officer)

3.1 Exec Report No \_\_\_\_\_

3.2 Exec Decision No \_\_\_\_\_

3.3 Action / Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_

*Ensure a copy of the Authority deaccession/disposal form is attached to this sheet*

3.4 Name, Contact Details & Status of Recipient

*Accredited museum, private museum etc.*

3.5 New Location and Number of Object

*For future access, should enquiries come in.*

3.6 Benefits Achieved for the Service/Object:

*Short summary tying back to section 1.4*