

minutes

Meeting ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Date 22 March 2016 (commencing at 2.00 pm)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

COUNCILLORS

Diana Meale (Chair) Roy Allan (Vice-Chair)

Chris Barnfather Jim Creamer
Stan Heptinstall John Ogle
Mike Pringle Gordon Wheeler

John Wilmott

A Alan Rhodes (Ex-Officio)

CO-OPTED MEMBERS

A Mr M Chivers – (Alliance Boots)
Ms N Gasson - (Federation of Small Businesses)

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Tim Gregory - Place Department
Geoff George - Place Department
Phil Berrill - Place Department
Matt Lockley - Place Department
Nicola McCoy-Brown - Place Department

Martin Gately - Resources Department

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Richard Goodman - Goodman Metal Works

CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP

The following changes of membership for this meeting were noted: Councillor Mike Pringle replaced Councillor John Knight for this meeting only. Councillor Jim

Creamer replaced Councillor Michael Payne for this meeting only. In addition, Councillor Chris Barnfather replaced Councillor Keith Walker for this meeting only.

MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting held on 23 February 2016 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

BROADBAND PETITIONS – NORTH CLIFTON, WIGSLEY AND HARBY

Phil Burrell, Economic Development Team introduced the report on Broadband Petitions.

RESOLVED: 2016/0016

That:

- 1) Receipt of the petitions be noted.
- 2) The agreed response as set out in paragraphs 5-10 be sent by officers to the petitioners

LOCAL GROWTH FUND ROUND 3 UPDATE

Geoff George, Senior Economic Development Officer, introduced the report on the Local Growth Fund.

RESOLVED: 2016/0017

That the report be noted.

THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CAPITAL FUND

Trish Adams introduced the report on the Economic Development Capital Fund. Richard Goodman of Goodman Metal Works made a short presentation on the work of his company. Mr Goodman explained that his family had originally been blacksmiths but had diversified into the coal industry, and then twenty years later commenced to make an ever wide range of products. The company now makes communication cable laying and aluminium smelting equipment. In addition, Goodman Metal Works also makes stone driers for Tarmac – these cannot be made as fast as they are required and there are 13 on the order book. The company is also used as an 'exhibition company' by a laser manufacturer.

Mr Goodman also explained that takes on a large number of apprentices – there are currently 13 on their books - with a view to enhancing their skills to NVQ Level 3. The qualities that Mr Goodman looks for in an apprentice are enthusiasm and dependability, but the two have to go together.

Mr Goodman invited all Members of the Economic Development Committee to visit the Goodman Metal Works shop-floor.

RESOLVED: 2016/0018

That:

- a) The positive progress of the Capital Fund to date be noted.
- b) The launch of a third round of the Fund in May 2016 be agreed.

<u>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DELIVERY STRATEGY – DELIVERY PLAN AND BUDGET 2016-17</u>

Matt Lockley introduced the report on the Economic Development Delivery Strategy.

RESOLVED: 2016/0019

That:

- a) The 2016-17 economic development delivery plan and associated budget proposals be approved.
- b) Further reports on specific project proposals as referenced in the report be received
- c) A six month update on the budget as part of the Committee cycle be received
- d) A request to Finance and Property Committee for an allocation of £62,500 from contingency for the Council's contribution to the D2N2 Local Enterprise Partnership.

WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED 2016/0020

That the work programme be noted.

The meeting closed at 15:50

CHAIR