

minutes

Meeting	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Date	9 June 2015 (commencing at 2.00 pm)

Membership

Persons absent are marked with `A`

COUNCILLORS

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

Stan Heptinstall
John Ogle
Bruce Laughton
Gordon Wheeler

John Knight
Michael Payne
John Willmott

A Alan Rhodes (Ex-Officio)

CO-OPTED MEMBERS

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

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Celia Morris	- Policy, Planning and Corporate Services
Matt Lockley	- Policy Planning and Corporate Services
Geoff George	- Policy Planning and Corporate Services
Fiona Anderson	- Policy Planning and Corporate Services
Many Ramm	- Policy Planning and Corporate Services
Martin Gately	- Policy, Planning and Corporate Services

OTHER ATTENDEES

Mike Taylor	Nottinghamshire Regeneration Limited
Steve Straw	Linney Group

CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP

The following changes of membership for this meeting were noted: Councillor Heptinstall replaces Councillor Rigby permanently on this committee. Councillor Laughton replaces Councillor Walker for this meeting only.

MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting held on 31 March 2015 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Laughton declared a private interest in item 7 due to Linney's previous support of his electoral campaign.

THE NOTTINGHAM AND DERBY ENTERPRISE ZONE

Mr Mike Taylor, Chief Executive of Nottinghamshire Regeneration Limited made a presentation to the committee regarding the Nottingham Enterprise Zone assisted by Mr Mark Chivers of Walgreens Boots Alliance.

Mr Taylor introduced the various locations associated with the Enterprise Zone: Walgreens Boots Alliance MediPark, No 2 Science Park, Beeston Business Park and Infinity Science Park, Derby. The rationale behind the Enterprise Zone is to promote focused business development by means of reduced business rates, superfast broadband, simplified planning and prioritised funding, 100% enhanced capital allowances, focused marketing – both local and national and a business rates uplift to the LEP for re-investment.

RESOLVED 2015/027

That the report be noted

SUPPORTING YOUTH EMPLOYMENT (ENGAGE2EMPLOY) UPDATE

Fiona Anderson introduced the update on Supporting Youth Employment (ENGAGE2EMPLOY).

Mr Steve Straw of the Linney Group made a presentation to the committee on the ENGAGE2EMPLOY scheme which supports learners with learning difficulties and/or disabilities. Mr Straw stated that Linney employs over 700 people and runs on family values – one of their aims is to contribute to the community. The scheme operates initially as work experience, currently there are seven people on site. Six or seven individuals have secured employment elsewhere and this reflects the qualities that they bring: which include high levels of attendance, reliability and helpfulness. The scheme has changed people's lives – allowing the purchase of a

first car and first holiday abroad. Mr Straw concluded that it was remarkable what people could achieve under their own steam with just a bit of support.

RESOLVED 2015/028

That the report be noted.

INTEGRATED INNOVATION CENTRE CONTRACT

Mandy Ramm introduced the report on the Integrated Innovation Centre Contract.

RESOLVED 2015/029

- a) That performance during the fourth year of operation of the Nottinghamshire Integrated Innovation Centre Management Contract be noted.
- b) That a further report on the annual performance of the Integrated Innovation Centre contract covering the 2015/16 performance be brought back to Economic Development Committee in 12 months and
- c) Economic Development Committee approves the provision of £25,000 from the Economic Development Budget to address the identified property needs at Worksop Turbine.

WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED 2015/030

That the work programme be noted.

The meeting closed at 15:49

CHAIR