

## minutes

Meeting	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Date	6 September 2016 (commencing at 2.00 pm)

### Membership

Persons absent are marked with `A`

### COUNCILLORS

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

Alan Bell  
Richard Butler  
Stan Heptinstall  
John Knight

John Ogle  
Gordon Wheeler  
John Wilmott

### CO-OPTED MEMBERS

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

### OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Fiona Anderson - Place Department  
Pete Barker - Resources Department  
Phil Berrill - Place Department  
Matt Lockley - Place Department  
Nicola McCoy-Brown - Place Department  
Oliver Whittaker - Place Department

### CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP

The following changes of membership for this meeting were noted: Councillor Bell replaced Councillor Payne and Councillor Butler replaced Councillor Brown, both for this meeting only.

### MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting held on 5 July 2016 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Heptinstall declared a private interest as he is involved in businesses which receive some funds from sources referred to in reports on the agenda, which did not preclude him from speaking or voting on those items.

## **NTU INNOVATION OUTREACH FEASIBILITY STUDY - SUMMARY OF OUTCOMES**

Fiona Anderson introduced the report and Lynn Oxborrow from NTU gave a presentation on the options available following completion of the feasibility study.

### **RESOLVED: 2016/0033**

That Committee approves Option C (Pop-up support), as set out in paragraph 17C of the report, to be closely aligned with the ERDF Enabling Innovation project.

## **N2 ECONOMIC GROWTH STRATEGY**

Nicola McCoy-Brown introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

### **RESOLVED: 2016/0034**

That the progress made in developing the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Economic Growth Strategy be noted

## **DERBY-NOTTINGHAM METROPOLITAN STRATEGY – CONSULTATION RESPONSE**

Matthew Lockley introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

### **RESOLVED: 2016/0035**

- a) That Committee considers and comments on the draft Derby-Nottingham Metropolitan Strategy 2030 to inform the County Council's consultation response;
- b) That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director, Place, in consultation with the Chair of the Economic Development Committee and Leader of the Council, to finalise the County Council's response to the consultation;
- c) That Committee receives a copy of the final consultation response for noting at a future meeting.

## **BASIC BROADBAND FOR ALL: BETTER BROADBAND SUBSIDY SCHEME**

Phil Berrill introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

**RESOLVED: 2016/0036**

That the changes to the basic broadband subsidy scheme (open until the end of 2017) which now includes access to wireless broadband and will allow the majority of the funds set aside for the voucher scheme to be utilised to further the fibre broadband roll out in Nottinghamshire, be noted.

**D2N2 DIGITAL BUSINESS GROWTH PROGRAMME**

Oliver Whittaker introduced the report and responded to questions and comments from Members.

**RESOLVED: 2016/0037**

- a) That, subject to EU funding being secured, the establishment of two full-time posts within the Economic Development Team of a Programme Manager at Band C and a Programme Co-ordinator at Band A (both subject to job evaluation) on 3-year fixed term contracts, subject to and in line with, the European Funding obligations, be approved.
- b) That should the European Funding not become available, further options be brought back to this Committee for consideration.

**EUROPEAN STRUCTURAL INVESTMENT FUND (ESIF) CAREERS LOCAL UPDATE**

Fiona Anderson introduced the report on the European Structural Investment Fund (ESIF).

**RESOLVED 2016/0038**

That subject to the successful outcome of the County Council's submission for Careers Local, the establishment of one new full-time equivalent administrative post to enable the County Council to undertake the role of Managing Agent be approved.

**MANSFIELD TOWNSCAPE HERITAGE PROJECT**

Fiona Anderson introduced the report on the Mansfield Townscape Heritage project.

**RESOLVED 2016/0039**

- a) That the application to the Heritage Lottery Fund and the contribution of a total of £45,000 as match funding be approved. These funds to be allocated as £9,000 per year over a five-year period commencing in the 2018/19 financial year
- b) That the authority be delegated to the Corporate Director, Place to sign a Partnership Agreement on behalf of Nottinghamshire County Council.

## **WORK PROGRAMME**

Members requested that reports on the following topics be brought to future meetings of the Committee:

- BREXIT Implications
- Implications of the Derby/Nottingham metropolitan strategy
- How the N2 Economic Growth Strategy affects Nottinghamshire town centres

## **RESOLVED 2016/0040**

That the work programme be noted.

As this was Matt Lockley's last attendance at Committee, since he was taking up a new post in Aberdeen, the Chair thanked Matt for all his hard work and support and wished him all the best for the future.

The meeting closed at 15.34.

## **CHAIR**