

# minutes

Meeting ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ASSET MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Date 25 January 2022 (commencing at 2.00pm)

#### Membership

Persons absent are marked with an 'A'

#### **COUNCILLORS**

Keith Girling (Chair) Reg Adair (Vice Chair) Mike Introna (Vice Chair)

A - Anne Callaghan Kate Foale
Scott Carlton Glynn Gilfoyle
Steve Carr David Shaw
Eddie Cubley Roger Upton

### **SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS**

Mike Pringle for Anne Callaghan

#### OTHER COUNTY COUNCILLORS IN ATTENDANCE

John McGrath

#### **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Pete Barker Democratic Services Officer

Joelle Davies Group Manager, Growth, Infrastructure & Development

Neil Gamble Group Manager, Property Asset Management

Sally Gill Group Manager, Planning

Matthew Neal Service Director, Investment & Growth

Adrian Smith Corporate Director, Place

#### **ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

Saranne Postans UK Atomic Energy Authority
Chris Warrick UK Atomic Energy Authority

# 1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 7 DECEMBER 2021

The minutes of the last meeting held on 7 December 2021, having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and were confirmed, and were signed by the Chair.

### 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Callaghan (medical/illness)

# 3. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

Councillor Introna declared an interest Item 4, 'Update on D2N2 LEP and the Midlands Engine Partnership', as he is a member of the Board of the D2N2 Partnership, which did not preclude him from speaking or voting on that item.

Councillor Carr declared an interest Item 5, 'Stapleford Town Deal', as he is the Deputy Leader of Broxtowe Borough Council, which did not preclude him from speaking or voting on that item.

With the agreement of the Committee, the Chairman varied the order of business to consider the following item first.

### 4. <u>STEP PROJECT - LOW CARBON ENERGY FROM FUSION - PRESENTATION</u>

**RESOLVED: 2022/001** 

That the contents of the presentation be noted.

# 5. UPDATE ON THE D2N2 LEP AND MIDLANDS ENGINE PARTNERSHIP

**RESOLVED: 2022/002** 

- 1) That in principle, a financial contribution to the Derby, Derbyshire, Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Local Enterprise Partnership (D2N2 LEP) of £62,500 for the financial year 2021/22 be approved, and the Section 151 Officer seek approval from Finance Committee for an allocation of £62,500 to be made from general contingency for this contribution.
- 2) That a financial contribution of £20,000 to the Midlands Engine for the financial year 2021/22 be approved, funded from the 2021/22 Growth and Economic Development Initiatives Budget.
- 3) That subject to the government review, any further funding requests be brought back to a subsequent meeting of this Committee.

#### 6. STAPLEFORD TOWN DEAL

**RESOLVED: 2022/003** 

1) That the principle of the improvements to Stapleford Library be approved, subject to a final business case and final proposals being developed, and a further understanding of any legal and financial risks.

2) That the principle of the improvements to Stapleford Young People's Centre be approved, subject to a final business case and final proposals being developed, and a further understanding of any legal and financial risks.

# 7. INVESTMENT IN REMOTE MEETING AND LIVE STREAMING TECHNOLOGY AT COUNTY HALL

The requisite number of Members requested a recorded vote and it was ascertained that the following 6 members voted 'For' the motion :-

Councillor Adair

**Councillor Carlton** 

Councillor Cubley

**Councillor Girling** 

Councillor Introna

Councillor Upton

The following 2 Members voted 'Against' the motion:-

Councillor Carr

Councillor Shaw

The following 3 Members 'Abstained':-

Councillor Foale

Councillor Gilfoyle

Councillor Pringle

The motion was carried and it was:-

#### **RESOLVED 2022/004**

- That the allocation of £335,269.53 from the capital programme be endorsed to support the investment in Hybrid Meeting and Live Streaming technologies to facilitate meetings in the Council Chamber and the Rufford Suite; and
- 2) That the allocation of £102,072.20 from the capital programme be endorsed to support the investment in Hybrid Meeting technology to facilitate meetings in Committee Room B, Committee Room C and in the Independent Members Office.

# 8. <u>OPERATIONAL DECISIONS, ANNUAL REVIEW, QUARTERLY UPDATE, OCTOBER-DECEMBER 2021</u>

**RESOLVED: 2022/005** 

That Members continue to support the authorising of operational decisions as originally approved by the Committee on 20 January 2014.

# 9. PART DEMOLITION OF RUSHCLIFFE LEISURE CENTRE AND DESIGN DEVELOPMENT

**RESOLVED: 2022/006** 

- That the provision of additional funding to Spencer Academy Trust through a Grant Funding Agreement for additional design fees and part demolition of the old Rushcliffe Leisure Centre, Rushcliffe school to the sum of £2,781,985, be approved.
- 2) That the agreement of the specific terms of the Grant Funding Agreement be delegated to the Service Director, Investment and Growth.
- 3) That the fees incurred by Arc Partnership in their monitoring role until July 2022 be funded to the sum of £50,000.

### 10. DISPOSAL OF WOODS COURT, NEWARK

**RESOLVED: 2022/007** 

- 1) That the sale of Woods Court be approved, as indicated edged black on the plan and on the terms set out in the exempt appendix to the report.
- 2) That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director, Place, in consultation with the Service Director Finance, Infrastructure & Improvement to negotiate and finalise the detailed terms of the conditional contract including the mechanism for determination of the final sale price.

# 11. WORK PROGRAMME

**RESOLVED: 2022/008** 

That the contents of the report be noted.

The meeting closed at 3.50pm

**CHAIR**