

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LEADER SIGNING HELD ON TUESDAY, 14TH FEBRUARY, 2017,14:15

PRESENT

Councillor Claire Kober, Leader of the Council

66. FILMING AT MEETINGS

The Leader referred those present to agenda Item 1 as shown on the agenda in respect of filming at this meeting and asked that those present reviewed and noted the information contained therein.

67. URGENT BUSINESS

None

68. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

69. TOTTENHAM HOUSING ZONE: FUNDING AGREEMENTS WITH THIRD PARTIES TO UNDERTAKE HOUSING ZONE INTERVENTIONS AND ENABLING WORKS

The Leader noted the report which sought agreement for the Council to enter into funding arrangements with relevant third parties to undertake Housing Zone interventions and enabling works.

RESOLVED

That the Leader agreed

To the Council providing grant agreements to third parties, from the Housing Zone monies received from the GLA, up to the maximum amount of grant funding and to the recipients as set out in the table attached in the exempt Part B of this report and that this authority is subject to the Council entering into the relevant Borough Intervention Agreements with the GLA for these funding amounts.

To give delegated authority to the Director of Regeneration, Planning and Development after consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing, Regeneration and Planning, the Chief Operating Officer and the Assistant Director of Corporate Governance to agree the final amount, the terms and conditions for providing the grant funding.

Reasons for decision

Cabinet has already decided to enter into an Overarching Borough Agreement (OBA) with the Greater London Authority (GLA) for Phase 1 of the Tottenham Housing Zone, and to agree and vary any further funding agreements with the GLA. This OBA provides detailed descriptions of targets for funding and proposed delivery models, however it is recognised that allocations of funding as well as precise sums on individual interventions may vary in line with existing delegations.

The package of interventions funded through the Tottenham Housing Zone for Tottenham Hale includes utilities diversions, site enabling and infrastructural works. It was always assumed that third party funding agreements would be necessary to achieve these interventions as the Council is not in a position to deliver development of this scale. Developer partners can be best placed to achieve the enabling works needed to unlock housing sites and deliver much-needed housing, including affordable housing. The table in the exempt Part B of the report sets out the maximum amounts, the recipients and the purpose for which the grant funding will be provided.

Alternative options considered

Option 1 – do nothing: A do nothing option would entail separate Cabinet approval for each funding agreement, which would significantly delay funding packages needed to bring forward the delivery of sites within the Tottenham Housing Zone and therefore greatly reduce operational effectiveness.

Option 2 – enter into funding agreements with third parties under delegated authority, according the funding programme agreed under existing delegation with the GLA and detailed in previous reports, secures the effective delivery of sites within the Tottenham Housing Zone and ensures resources are targeted at interventions with the clearest delivery potential.

Option 2 was identified as the preferred option for reasons of supporting the effective regeneration of Tottenham through the delivery of the Tottenham Housing Zone and in line with the Council's established strategies.

70. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

None

71. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS & PUBLIC

RESOLVED

That the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting as the items contained exempt information, as defined under Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

72. TOTTENHAM HOUSING ZONE: FUNDING AGREEMENTS WITH THIRD PARTIES TO UNDERTAKE HOUSING ZONE INTERVENTIONS AND ENABLING WORKS

The Leader noted the exempt section of the report.

73. NEW ITEMS OF EXEMPT URGENT BUSINESS

N/A

CHAIR:

Signed by Chair

Date

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