

Riverside Area Committee

8th June 2016

PRESENT:-

Councillor R. Jones (Chair), Councillor L.M. Petrini (Deputy Chair), Councillor N. Fudge, Councillor D. Hale, Councillor D. Hatcher, Councillor C. Inglis, Councillor M. Mancey, Councillor H.J. Spencer, and Councillor A. Williams.

IN ATTENDANCE:-

J. Price (Assistant City Manager, Neighbourhoods and Housing), A. Shaw (Community Manager, Neighbourhoods and Housing) and N. Stocks (Democratic Services Officer).

S. Henley (Transport and Asset Management) – minute 9

PC K. Edgar (Humberside Police) and G. Paddock (Neighbourhood Nuisance Team Leader) – minute 10

P. McGurn (Goodwin Development Trust) – minute 11

N. Brown (Planning Policy Manager) – minute 12

APOLOGIES:-

Councillor A. Clark and Councillor L. Chambers

Minute No.	Description/Decision	Action By/Deadline
PROCEDURAL ITEMS		
4	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Councillor A. Williams declared a personal interest in minute 15 insofar as he resided in the Garden Village area. Councillor Inglis declared a personal interest in minute 12 insofar as he resided adjacent to an area of land designated for housing redevelopment in the City Centre.	Members Information Officer
5	MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 11TH MAY 2016 The Democratic Services Officer presented the minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on 11 th May 2016, for approval. Members referred to minute 116 and reiterated that the issue had been around the exclusion of mice from the free service and not rats. Agreed - That with the aforementioned amendment, the minutes of the meeting of this Committee held 11 th May 2016, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and correctly recorded and be signed by the Chair.	

6	<p>MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 19TH MAY 2016</p> <p>The Democratic Services Officer presented the minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on 19th May 2016, for approval.</p> <p>Agreed - That the minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on 19th May 2016, having been printed and circulated, be taken as read and correctly recorded and be signed by the Chair.</p>	
7	<p>APPOINTMENT TO OUTSIDE BODIES</p> <p>The Democratic Services Officer presented the list of external organisations and sought nominations to the Pickering and Newington Development Association.</p> <p>A discussion took place around the nominations.</p> <p>Agreed: that Councillor Petrini remains as the appointed representative to the Pickering and Newington Development Association.</p>	Members Information
8	<p>PUBLIC QUESTIONS</p> <p>No public questions were received.</p>	
NON-EXEMPT ITEMS		
Non-Key Decisions		
9	<p>PETITION – SPRING BANK/STANLEY STREET</p> <p>The City Streetscene Manager submitted a briefing paper which accompanied a petition received with regard to road safety issues at the junction of Stanley Street and Spring Bank, following the recent tragedy.</p> <p>Members were informed that the Portfolio Holder (Energy City) had met with the petitioners, who had requested that a zebra crossing was installed. Members were unable to comment directly whilst the outcomes of the police incident report remained unknown; however the Police have indicated that this was expected to be concluded without further significant delay.</p> <p>Members reiterated that there had been a number of historic concerns with regard to the junction, although these were not thought to have been directly related to the recent incident. The Council had attempted to address these issues many years ago; however Tesco’s won their appeal to purchase and redevelop the land, which had obstructed any plans to build a new junction. Prior to the incident, Council officers had been asked to consider a new controlled crossing on Stanley Street, which was currently under investigation, pending the results of the traffic count which was undertaken on 26th May 2016.</p>	

	<p>Members reassured the petitioner that matters had been taken very seriously and the Committee were keen to ensure that all risks were mitigated in the future. Members and officers reiterated their sincere condolences to the family.</p> <p>Agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) that the petition be received; (b) That Members have a number of concerns with regard to the junction between Spring Bank and Stanley Street and are keen to undertake further studies to mitigate any future risks. As such, Members request that a comprehensive report is submitted to the Committee upon conclusion of the Humberside Police investigation, to consider the ongoing issues and risks, and what further action can be taken to ensure public safety; and (c) That the petitioner be invited to the meeting. 	<p>b. City Streetscene Manager</p> <p>c. Democratic Services Officer</p>
10	<p>COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE</p> <p>PC K. Edgar, Humberside Police attended to answer questions and update the Committee on the policing activity in the Riverside area.</p> <p>Members were informed that there had been 19 arrests in the Riverside Area and 48 logs with new intelligence. Six addresses had been attended with regard to cannabis. One Police Community Support Officer had sustained a dislocated ankle during an arrest. The police had attended four community events, 20 hours on the community bus and an additional 40 hours of patrols had been undertaken.</p> <p>Members discussed the need for high visibility policing in the Riverside Area as an ongoing concern, the congregation of youths and ongoing issues in the Wellsted Street area. Members reiterated that this may not have been linked with any criminal behaviour or intent; however the large congregation of youths was intimidating for users of the new play park.</p> <p>G. Paddock (Neighbourhood Nuisance Team Leader) updated the Committee on begging and antisocial behaviour issues in the Riverside Area. Members were informed that a 'diversion from the streets' meeting had been established by the police and officers had been assigned to enforcement and diversions. Neighbourhood nuisance were keen to attend and continue to deal with low level offenders. Injunctions were used where appropriate; however there were some concerns with regard to breached injunctions which had a cost of £250 to the council.</p> <p>Members discussed issues around begging and the licensing of street canvassers, also known as 'chuggers'. Members raised</p>	

	<p>concerns that the city centre had become congested with street canvassers and that the issues had been exacerbated by the ongoing public realm work underway in the city centre.</p> <p>Agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) That the update be noted; (b) That officers be commended for their efforts to address the issues raised at the recent task and finish group and the increased visibility of policing within the Riverside Area; and (c) That Members have concerns with regard to the number of street canvassers operating within the Riverside Area and request that clarification is sought as to the number of licenses issued to charities to enable them to operate within the city centre. 	<p>Inspector Tock</p> <p>Licensing Manager</p>
11	<p>RIVERSIDE AREA NEIGHBOURHOOD MANAGEMENT UPDATE</p> <p>The Assistant City Manager presented a briefing note to update Members on projects and priorities within the Drypool, Myton, Newington and St Andrew's Wards.</p> <p>P. McGurn, Goodwin Development Trust (GDT), attended the meeting and updated the Committee on the proposed Thornton Neighbourhood Plan. Members were informed that Council had endorsed the designation of the Thornton Area and Forum in October 2015. There was a formal role for the council and GDT continued to work closely with the planning department. The forum had met to consider land use and challenges within the area, and determined an outline plan; which would be submitted on completion, to a future Riverside Area Committee meeting for consultation. The second stage of consultation was more formal and followed a prescribed process.</p> <p>Members discussed the Council's aspirations and ambitions to build two bedroom bungalows in the area, the transformation of the Thornton Estate, and lack of green space in the area. Further discussion was undertaken around the disused Children's Centre and NHS buildings, and the introduction of an Arts Centre within the former church building. Members reiterated their support for continued partnership working in conjunction with GDT; which enabled access to additional funding streams which were not available to the council.</p> <p>Agreed –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) That the update be noted, and (b) That representatives of the Goodwin Development Trust (GDT) and Newington and St Andrew's Neighbourhood 	<p>Assistant City Manager –</p>

	<p>Plan be invited to a future meeting to provide a further update on the Thornton Neighbourhood Plan;</p> <p>(c) That consideration be given to the feasibility of the NHS buildings and former Children’s Centre on Walker Street as a prime site for the development of two bedroom bungalows which could alleviate issues around the increasing demand for family sized accommodation.</p>	<p>Neighbourhoods and P. McGurn (GDT) Assistant City Manager Housing Strategy and Renewal and P. McGurn (GDT)</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>HULL LOCAL PLAN PUBLICATION CONSULTATION</p> <p>(Councillor Inglis declared a personal interest in the following item insofar as he resided adjacent to a site currently designated for housing redevelopment in the City Centre).</p> <p>Members were informed that a forum had been scheduled for the Guildhall in July 2016, with additional events at the Central Library and through bus forums.</p> <p>Members discussed site 373 which was designated for housing and raised concerns about the significant cost that would need to be incurred in developing the site which was likely to preclude residential development. Further concerns were raised around contaminated land and the impact that the withdrawal of Government funding had on the appeal of the land and the council’s ability to attract potential developers.</p> <p>A further discussion took place around the location of the cruise terminal and concerns were raised that only one potential site had been included. The Committee considered arguments for the cruise terminal to be located at Albert Dock and The Deep; however Members were unable to reach a unanimous agreement on the preferred location.</p> <p>Agreed:</p> <p>(a) That the report be noted;</p> <p>(b) That Members suggest that further consideration be given to the future use of Albert Dock as Members believe that the land holds significant potential for both housing and business purposes;</p> <p>(c) That the Committee has concerns that whilst two locations were considered for the cruise terminal, only one site has been identified within the Local Plan, and whilst some Members felt that Albert Dock presented a better location and had the capacity to initiate further redevelopment of the surrounding land and warehouses, others felt that a site closer to the Deep provided a more appropriate location. Members suggested that the mixed views of the Committee highlighted a need for further consideration to be given to the location of the cruise terminal and request that both potential sites be included</p>	<p>b-c and e City Planning Manager/ Planning Policy Manager (City Regeneration and Policy)</p>

	<p>within the Local Plan;</p> <p>(d) That Members have concerns with regards to the withdrawal of government funding to address the decontamination of land and the impact that this has upon regeneration and the ability to attract investment. The Committee refers the matter to Cabinet to consider writing a letter on their behalf to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs to highlight their concerns and to request that further consideration is given to future funding options to support the Local Authority in bringing contaminated land back into use; and</p> <p>(e) That Members have concerns that the proposals for site 373 lacked imagination and did not satisfy the growing need for affordable family sized homes in the city. Members suggest that further consideration be given to the future use of the site on the grounds that this was one of the last remaining open spaces close to the River front and that consideration is given to retaining the site as open space. Furthermore Members suggest that in the event that the cruise terminal is located adjacent to site 373, that the site be redesignated as a park and landscaped.</p>	<p>d. Democratic Services Officer - LS</p>
<p>13</p>	<p>STREET NAMING DECISION</p> <p>The Assistant Head of ICT Resources Directorate submitted a report which sought a decision from the Committee for a name for two new streets forming part of a new residential development on the land between Hawthorn Avenue, Plane Street, Greek Street and Rhodes Street, Hull.</p> <p>Members discussed the origin of street names within the area.</p> <p>Agreed:</p> <p>(a) That the report be noted;</p> <p>(b) that the new street off Plane Street be named Olive Lane; and</p> <p>(c) that Cecil Street be retained as the name for the new street linking Greek Street and Rhodes Street.</p>	<p>b-c ICT Resources</p>
<p>14</p>	<p>SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES – RIVERSIDE AREA</p> <p>The School Effectiveness Officer submitted a briefing paper which updated the Committee on school governor vacancies in the Riverside Area.</p> <p>Members discussed concerns that no officer had attended the meeting and the number of current vacancies within the</p>	

	<p>Riverside Area. Further concerns were raised that some schools had indicated an unwillingness to consider a Local Authority Governor.</p> <p>Agreed: that Members have concerns that officers have been unable to attend to discuss Members concerns with regard to the number of School Governor vacancies in the Riverside Area. As such, Members request that the School Effectiveness Officer or City Learning and Skills Manager attends the September 2016 meeting to update the Committee on the work undertaken to fill vacant posts and to address Members' concerns.</p>	<p>School Effectiveness Officer/City Learning and Skills Manager</p>
<p>15</p>	<p>PROPOSAL FOR A PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER TO GATE ADOPTED TEN FEET IN GARDEN VILLAGE</p> <p>(Councillor A. Williams declared a personal interest in minute 15 insofar as he resided in the Garden Village area).</p> <p>Moved by Councillor Williams and seconded by Councillor Hatcher in support of Option Two – to support that Cabinet agree to the progression of the PSPO for the Garden Village neighbourhood.</p> <p>Members were informed that in her absence, Councillor Chambers had forwarded her comments to support Option Two Councillor Williams spoke in support and Members were informed that the issues in Garden Village were longstanding. As the ten feet were adopted public highways, the Council's gating scheme was not an option; however recent legislative changes had provided additional options. There had been no objections from the Ramblers Association.</p> <p>A discussion took place around the evidence for and against the scheme, the initial estimated installation cost of £1,300 per gate and potential maintenance costs, and the pending application for match funding from the Police and Crime Commissioner.</p> <p>Further concerns were raised with regard to the extensive consultation undertaken and the feedback from the neighbouring residents who had voted strongly in favour of gating.</p> <p>Moved by Councillor Inglis and seconded by Councillor Petrini as an amendment in support of Option One - to not progress the scheme on the grounds that it attracted revenue funding pressures through ongoing repair and maintenance costs which were usually the residents' responsibility. As such this scheme had the capacity to set a precedent across the city for future schemes, which the authority would be unable to meet due to budget constraints. Furthermore, the scheme prevented right of access to a public highway and had received a number of objections from the Garden Village Residents' Association.</p>	<p>Assistant City Manager - Neighbourhoods</p>

	<p>Councillor Williams voted against the motion.</p> <p>Motion Carried.</p>	
16	<p>TRAVELLERS – TEMPORARY STOPPING PLACES</p> <p>The Assistant City Manager (Neighbourhoods) submitted a report which sought Members’ views on a suitable site or sites for a temporary stopping place for Travellers with the aim of reducing the impact of unauthorised encampments on the city.</p> <p>Members discussed the recommendations within the report and potential sites across the city.</p> <p>Agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) That the report be noted; (b) that the Riverside Area accommodates a number of permanent traveller sites within the area, as such Members are unable to identify any viable sites for a temporary stopping place and suggest consideration be given to other areas across the city; (c) That Members suggest that consideration be given to the establishment of a temporary stopping place on the areas of unused land adjacent to Clough Road Police Station. 	<p>b-c Assistant City Manager - Neighbourhoods</p>
17	<p>RIVERSIDE AREA FUNDS</p> <p>The Assistant City Manager, on behalf of the City Neighbourhoods and Housing Manager, submitted a briefing paper which updated the Committee on the 2016-17 budgets for the Riverside Area in relation to the Ward Budgets and Section 106 monies.</p> <p>Concerns were raised with regard to the delays in receipt of S106 monies and the need to consider potential schemes for applications nearing completion.</p> <p>Agreed –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) that the briefing paper be noted; (b) That Members be advised as to the current status of Section 106 applications; (c) That Members be updated on the projected completion and release of S106 funds from Wellington Street to enable consideration to be given to potential projects in the Victoria Pier area; and (d) That Members receive a further update on the S106 planning application for Spring Bank/Stanley Street 	<p>b-d Assistant City Manager - Neighbourhoods</p>

	(Legal File No.79585/297 Application number 19782H) to ascertain whether planning permission is still valid for the provision or enhancement of urban greenspace and play space in the vicinity.	e. City Planning Manager
18	<p>RESOLUTION LIST</p> <p>The Democratic Services Officer updated Members on the progress of outstanding resolutions from previous meetings.</p> <p>Members were informed that Councillor Inglis was scheduled to meet with Councillor Black with regard to the commissioning of hostel services. The new City Neighbourhoods and Housing Manager was expected to be in post by 18th July 2016. K. Hunter (Police and Crime Commissioner) had reiterated his support of partnership working with the council.</p> <p>Members discussed concerns around the ownership of the King Edward statue and suggested that as a publically commissioned statue this must have been under the ownership of the council at some point.</p> <p>Agreed -</p> <p>(a) That minutes 5c, 57c, 72, 81e, 81j, 86c, 94d, 104b, 104d, 108c, 108d, 108f-g and 114c be deleted form the resolution List;</p> <p>(b) That responses be sought for all outstanding actions ; and</p> <p>(c) That clarification be sought as to when and how ownership of the King Edward statue was transferred to the Baitson family</p>	<p>a-b Democratic Services Officer – NS</p> <p>c. Transport and Asset Management</p>
19	<p>RIVERSIDE AREA COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME</p> <p>The Democratic Services Officer presented the Riverside Area Committee Work Programme to inform Members of future agenda items and to enable them to request the inclusion of additional items for consideration.</p> <p>Agreed - That Riverside Area Committee Work Programme be noted.</p>	

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Start Time: 5.00 p.m.

End Time 7.35 p.m.