Time began: 6.00pm Time ended:7.12pm

COUNCIL CABINET 12 April 2017

Present Councillor Banwait (Chair)

Councillors Afzal, Bolton, Eldret, Hussain, Rawson, Russell and

Shanker

In attendance Councillors Graves, Poulter and Skelton

Andy Smith - Strategic Director of People

Janie Berry – Monitoring Officer Martyn Marples – Director of Finance

Claire Davenport – Director of Leisure, Culture and Tourism Phil Derbyshire – Head of Property and Design Maintenance Arshie Mushtaq – Property Capital Programme Manager Heather Greenan – Head of Performance and Intelligence

Ruth Sadler - Communications Officer

189/16 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Holmes and Repton.

190/16 Late Items

There were no late items.

191/16 Receipt of Petitions

There were no petitions received.

192/16 Identification of Urgent Items to which Call In will not Apply

There were no items.

193/16 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations on interest.

194/16 Minutes of the Meeting Held on 15 March 2017

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 March 2017 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

Matters Referred

195/16 Recommendations from Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board

The Council Cabinet considered a report on Recommendations from Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board. The Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board met and discussed items contained within the Council Cabinet Agenda. The report enabled the views and recommendations resulting from these discussions to be formally shared with Council Cabinet. These were submitted to Council Cabinet as Appendix 2, prior to commencement of the meeting.

Decision

To receive the report and consider the recommendations alongside the relevant report.

Key Decisions

196/16 Property Improvement Capital Works Programme 2017/18

The Council Cabinet considered a report which proposed revisions to the Property capital programme which was approved at Council Cabinet on 15 February 2017, across a proposed number of projects to form the 2017/18 Property Improvement Capital Programme. The revisions accommodated anticipated slippage from the 2016/17 programme and updated cost estimates.

Whilst we know a number of properties that we would be retaining, the future of some properties was unknown, pending progress of the Property Rationalisation Project. Where the future of properties was unknown, works were being focussed on essential works only as it was not considered value for money to invest significant sums in buildings whilst this project was still progressing.

Proposed improvement schemes had been prioritised against essential condition issues and health and safety requirements, including fire precaution works, upgrading of emergency lighting systems, renewing life expired boilers and heating systems, lift improvements, window improvements and improvements to the building fabric.

The work programme was managed and monitored by the Property Management Programme Board in line with the governance arrangements of the Corporate Capital Programme Board.

The Property Improvement Work Programme was capitalised and funded corporately and was complemented by reactive revenue maintenance works which takes place throughout the year.

The Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board made no recommendations to Council Cabinet but requested that

- Officers should provide clear reasons for works which have been prioritised and those that have been put on hold, so that members of the public can understand the reasons for decisions made:
- Officers check that routine maintenance works are not being carried out at a cost to the Council when they are unnecessary because site demolition is planned or imminent.

Options Considered

The development of the Property Improvement programme had involved consideration of various options for the inclusion of projects. The programme recommended was considered to be the best way to meet statutory obligations and ensure building compliance, whist the outcomes of the property rationalisation project were awaited.

Decision

- 1. To approve the Property Improvement capital programme of works for 2017/18 as detailed in appendix 2 of the report.
- 2. To continue to give delegated authority within the limits set out in the Terms of Reference (ToR) (Terms of Reference limits were consistent with those set out in the Financial Regulations) to the Strategic Directors of Communities and Place and People Services (as appropriate) following consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member, to enable them to respond to changing priorities throughout the year by introducing new schemes or bringing forward the implementation of some schemes at the expense of others.
- 3. To continue to give delegated approval to the Property Management Programme Board as per its Terms of Reference.
- 4. To increase delegations to the Property Management Programme Board to allow for budget changes to be made on projects that span more than 1 financial year as long as the total project budget had been approved and that the changes did not exceed the approved budget.

Reasons

- When the Property capital programme was submitted to Council Cabinet on 15
 February 2017, feasibility work was still in development for most property
 projects and therefore budgets in the report were estimated. Following
 progression of feasibility reports, scheme designs and further investigation
 work, more robust cost estimates had been made.
- 2. In the interests of the effective management of the programme, it was appropriate to maintain the delegated approvals as outlined in the Property

Programme Management Board's Terms of Reference (ToR); to have the authority to review the programme and reallocate funding on the basis of the outcomes of investigations, feasibility studies and progress of other schemes and changing health and safety priorities.

3. It was essential that the Property Improvement Work Programme remained flexible to accommodate the outcomes of internal reorganisations, restructures, changing work patterns and operational commitments and was able to accommodate the outcomes of decisions linked to the council's property rationalisation project.

197/16 Adult Learning Service Course Fees

The Council Cabinet considered a report which stated that learners on Derby City Council's adult learning courses were required to pay course fees. The course fee structure was based on learners' ability to pay according to their income and the level of subsidy received from the Skills Funding Agency. The course fee rates for all Adult Education budget courses were to be decided by Council Cabinet.

The Skills Funding Agency funding model was changed significantly for the 2016/17 academic year but would remain the same for the 2017/18 academic year.

Derby City Council's Adult Education Budget funding allocation for 2016/17 was £2,732,870 and was expected to be at the same level for 2017/18, subject to written confirmation from the Skills Funding Agency.

It was proposed that the fee structure would not be changed for the 2017/18 academic year.

The Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board noted the report.

Options Considered

- 1. To increase all course fees. This could lead to an overall reduction in income as learner numbers may decrease.
- 2. To reduce the number and range of courses offered in order to reduce the overall running costs of the service. This could lead to a reduction in choice and opportunity for Derby residents.

Decision

- 1. To approve the fee structure for the 2017/18 academic year from 1 August 2017 to 31 July 2018.
- 2. To delegate responsibility to the Strategic Director of People's Services following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Education and Skills to adjust the proposed course fee rates if the 2017/18 allocation of Skills Funding Agency funding is significantly changed during the academic year.

3. To introduce a course fee subsidy from council funding. This option had not been recommended due to current Council budget pressures.

Reasons

- 1. The funding allocation and fee income target for 2016/17 academic year were on track to be achieved. The allocation of funding from Skills Funding Agency for 2017/18 was expected to remain the same.
- 2. The Adult Learning Service was restructured through the Achieving Change process in 2016 in order to balance expenditure and income. The adult learning budget for the 2016/17 financial year was balanced.
- 3. The fees and concessions proposed supported the objectives for Community Learning which were to:
 - Focus public funding on people who were disadvantaged and least likely to participate and people on low incomes with low skills
 - Collect fee income from people who could afford to pay and use where possible to extend provision to those who could not

Those learners who were unemployed and/or in receipt of benefits were fully funded by the Skills Funding Agency for accredited courses.

198/16 Schools Capital Programme

The Council Cabinet considered a report which stated that the Council was currently awaiting notification from the Department for Education (DfE) for our confirmed School Condition maintenance allocations for 2017-18.

In order to commence scheme development, and to complete essential work during the school summer holiday period, early approval of schemes was necessary. It was therefore proposed to obtain scheme approval in principle, based on indicative allocations. A full breakdown of the indicative Schools capital programme funding for 2017/18 was set out within Appendix 2 of the report. Indicative allocations were included in the Council budget agreed by Council on 1 March 2017. The proposed Schools capital programme schemes for 2017/18, including proposed individual school condition maintenance projects, were outlined in Appendix 3 of the report.

The proposal was for funding to be prioritised to deal with essential school condition and maintenance issues across the schools estate. An on-going programme of work was required in school premises to deal with essential condition and health and safety issues to ensure that school buildings remained safe and open.

The DfE were also due to announce confirmation of Basic Need capital allocations (for school place planning) for 2018/19-2019/20 in relation to the Council's statutory duty to ensure sufficient school places. The Council's indicative allocation was £14m. Very careful consideration was being given to the allocation of the remaining funding and priority projects would be developed in due course and reported to Council Cabinet.

The report also provided an update on the Council's successful bid to the DfE for Early Years Capital funding to create free early education entitlement (FEEE) places for eligible three and four year olds to access the new extended entitlement of 30 hours of free childcare. The Council had been successful in its bid for a scheme at Brackensdale Infant School for £207,274. The Council had also recently received confirmation that its bid relating to Alvaston Infant School had also been successful for an additional £241,161.

The DfE had also recently announced new Special Provision funding for improvements to mainstream or special schools for pupils with Education, Health and Care (EHC) plans. Funding would be allocated in a three-year programme running from 2018/19 to 2020/21. Derby would be allocated a total of £825,487. This would be phased equally, with £275,162 in each of the three years running from 2018/19 to 2020/21. This funding was currently being considered and projects would be developed in due course, and reported to Council Cabinet for consideration.

Derby was also expected to be allocated an additional £246,000 for capital schemes in Voluntary Aided schools as set out in Appendix 4 of the report. This funding was ring-fenced for VA schools and the Council was required to co-ordinate the allocation with both dioceses.

The report also provided an update on progress with the Priority Schools Building Programme (PSBP) initiative which was managed by the Education Funding Agency, with support of the Council. There were seven schools within the PSBP1 programme, and all had been completed with contractors now offsite.

An update on Derby City Council's two successful bids, for The Bemrose School and Cavendish Close Infant School, for additional capital funding through the PSBP2 initiative was also provided. The DfE timescales for these projects were only indicative at this stage, but construction could begin within the next year.

The report sought approval for the Schools Capital Programme 2017/18 as set out within Appendix 3 and Appendix 4 of the report.

The Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board made no recommendations to Council Cabinet but requested a letter be sent to the DfE with thanks for the additional funding allocation, but with a request for this to be delivered earlier in future to allow for more timely deliverability.

Options Considered

The available capital funding had been prioritised in line with the School Asset Management Plan to deal with the most urgent condition and health and safety issues, and to ensure sufficient school places.

Decision

1. To approve the Schools Capital Programme priority schemes for 2017/18 as outlined in Appendix 3 and Appendix 4 of the report.

- To approve scheme commencement and amendment to the approved 2017/18 - 2018/19 capital programme with proposed scheme allocations, to note that the final allocations would be reported to Council Cabinet once confirmed.
- 3. To amend the 2017/18 2019/20 capital programme to add the new Early Years Capital funding and the Special Provision funding.

Reasons

- An on-going programme of work was required in school premises to deal with essential condition and health and safety issues, across the schools estate, to ensure that school buildings remained safe and open. In order to complete as much work as possible during the school summer holiday period, early approval of schemes was necessary.
- 2. In accordance with Financial Procedure Rules, amendments to the Council's capital programme were required to be reported to Council Cabinet.

199/16 New Swimming Pool Complex

The Council Cabinet considered a report which stated that phase two of the current Leisure Facility Strategy (LFS) was to develop a new Swimming Pool Complex for the City. In March 2017, further momentum was provided to this ambition when a Cabinet pledge was announced stating that the Council would commence site works for the new Swimming Pool Complex by December 2017, which would open by 2020.

In order to assist with delivering this ambition the Council commissioned external support to progress the project. MACE Consultants (Mace) were appointed in November 2016 to undertake a feasibility study of the wider site at Moorways and of a Swimming Pool Complex on that site. Mace and their appointed design team were asked to review a number of options for the Swimming Pool Complex and to consider the ideal position for the new facility on the site in order to maximise the potential for future wider site development opportunities.

The Mace design team had worked up a number of high level designs, which had been consolidated into two facility mix options. A base facility mix (base) was identified which included an 8 lane, 50m swimming pool with basic levels of additional complementary leisure facilities at an initial indicative project budget of up to £23,400,000 and an enhanced facility mix (enhanced) was identified which included a 10 lane, 50m swimming pool with more significant additional complementary leisure facilities at an initial indicative project budget of up to £32,900,000, which could support a more commercial approach to the operation of the overall facility. Hence both facility mix options included at various levels teaching/leisure water, health and fitness and catering.

FMG Consulting Ltd (FMG) was appointed in February 2017, to undertake a draft outline business case for the two facility mix options for the potential Swimming Pool Complex on the Moorways site. A key element of their work had been to evaluate

the overall financial affordability of the Moorways development providing evidence on how a new Swimming Pool Complex could contribute to the Derby 2030 vision.

In developing the draft outline business case, FMG had carried out both a strategic and local context analysis, a supply and demand analysis of swimming and health and fitness and identification of potential commercial opportunities to drive income and use. They had also taken into account other strategic pieces of work currently being undertaken within the Service. These included the Leisure, Culture and Tourism Options Appraisal and the Physical Activity and Sport Strategy (PASS) and their wider impacts of providing the new venue.

Having emerging information from both the feasibility study and the draft outline business case, Council Cabinet was now asked to consider moving to the next stages of the design and delivery of this project. Council Cabinet was recommended to progress with three key next steps; the first was to agree to continue to progress with the wider site feasibility: the second was to progress with the next stages of the facility design, which would enable a more robust facility mix and associated cost estimates to be established and in turn enable a full operational business case to be developed; the third was to progress the procurement strategy, for both the demolition works and the main construction contract.

The report recommended that the Swimming Pool Complex design was progressed on the basis of the enhanced option, up to a maximum value of £35,000,000. This figure was higher than the approved amount in the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) for 2017/18 – 2019/20, which made provision for borrowing of up to £20,000,000 towards the capital costs of a new Swimming Pool Complex. The financial strategy to identify the additional capital funding for the proposed enhanced Swimming Pool Complex would be produced and included:

- Exploring additional funding opportunities from external sources, including third parties, Council capital receipts and commercial opportunities.
- Reviewing the existing capital programme to identify the potential to reallocate funding.
- Identifying the potential for additional new borrowing.
- Members were recommended to note that there was a financial risk of proceeding to the next stages of the project without the full capital budget being in place.

In order to progress to the next stages of the project Members were asked to approve a budget of £1,760,000 that could be funded from the approved capital in the MTFP. This budget contained estimated costs of £625,000 for demolition works and £1,135,000 for professional fees and other Council commitments. The professional fees were for the work for the wider site feasibility, the detailed design work and the main contractor procurement; it also provided an estimate for the detailed business case development. Members were recommended to note that the funding for the next stage of the project was at risk if the project did not proceed to Part Three of the Contract, which was to construct the new venue. Should the capital project not progress to Part Three then revenue funding would have to be identified to payback

the costs that had been incurred in the next stages of the project. Members were also asked to note that there were also additional risks of continuing with the current Procurement Strategy that were referred to in paragraph 4.25 of the report.

As well as the further work that was required to identify the capital funding for the enhanced option, further analysis to produce the full business case for the operational revenue costs was also required on this option. Once this information was available we would be able to gain more clarity on whether the Council had identified sufficient revenue funding for the operational costs in the MTFP.

The Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board resolved to endorse the project and proposals and recommend to Council Cabinet that

- 1. Every effort should be made to achieve at least a cost neutral (if not profitable) operation of the pool/leisure facility at Moorways;
- 2. All options are considered in relation to on site commercial opportunities which could support the viability of the site;
- 3. All options/alternatives for governance of the facility are given serious consideration;
- 4. Any fundamental changes to the procurement strategy as a result of outcomes from the options appraisal to review the operating model for leisure, culture and tourism services within the Council be reported back at a future meeting of the Board.

Options Considered

- 1. As a result of the information gathered during this project, to do nothing was not believed to be an option if the Council was to provide facilities that meet the demands for swimming in the City.
- 2. The Facility Planning Model (FPM) provided a number of options that were considered by the Project Board, the approach being proposed takes into account the information from the FPM as well as local circumstances affecting Derby.

Decision

- 1. To approve continuing to develop the feasibility study for the wider site at Moorways.
- 2. To approve progressing the design for the proposed new Swimming Pool Complex at Moorways based on the proposed enhanced facility mix of a 50m swimming pool, learner/leisure pool, fitness suite, studios, café and other ancillary facilities to develop a more commercial leisure offer.

- 3. In order to progress with the works identified in paragraph 2.2 of the report, to approve progressing the detailed designs for the Swimming Pool Complex up to a maximum capital cost of £35,000,000.
- 4. To approve proceeding with the procurement of a demolition contractor and the design for the demolition of the Sports Hall and the Swimming Pool at Moorways and to delegate authority to the Strategic Director for Communities and Place following consultation with the Director of Finance, the Cabinet Member for Governance and Finance and the Cabinet Member for Leisure, Culture and Tourism to award the contract for the demolition works.
- 5. To approve the Procurement Strategy, detailed in paragraphs 4.19 4.25 of the report for a main construction contractor and to delegate authority to the Strategic Director for Communities and Place following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Governance and Finance and the Cabinet Member for Leisure, Culture and Tourism to make any changes.
- 6. To approve proceeding with Part Two of the contract with MACE (Tender Reference: TD1155) to progress with the recommendations outlined in paragraphs 2.1 to 2.5 of the report.
- 7. To note that the Facility Planning Modelling (FPM) exercise carried out by Sport England in December 2015 demonstrated that to build a Swimming Pool Complex at Moorways would assist in meeting the swimming demands of the City. In determining the facility mix of the new venue, key local factors had also been taken into consideration such as those identified in paragraph 4.5 of the report and subject to the outcome of the feasibility study detailed in paragraph 2.1 of the report; Members were requested to approve locating the proposed Swimming Pool Complex at Moorways.
- 8. To approve expenditure up to a value of £1,760,000 to cover the cost of demolition works, additional professional fees for Part Two of the project, for the detailed business case development and other Council commitments.
- 9. To re-profile the 2017/18 2019/20 Capital Programme to include the budget required for the next steps of the proposed Swimming Pool Complex at a value of £1,760,000 in 2017/18.
- 10. To note the proposed financial strategy to identify the potential additional funding detailed in paragraph 1.3 in Appendix 1 of the report and the additional financial analysis required on the operational business case to provide the overall affordability of the new facility.
- 11. To note and accept the risks of moving to the next stage of the project as detailed in the report.
- 12. To accept the recommendations from Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board that
 - Every effort should be made to achieve at least a cost neutral (if not profitable) operation of the pool/leisure facility at Moorways;

- All options are considered in relation to on site commercial opportunities which could support the viability of the site;
- All options/alternatives for governance of the facility are given serious consideration;
- Any fundamental changes to the procurement strategy as a result of outcomes from the options appraisal to review the operating model for leisure, culture and tourism services within the Council be reported back at a future meeting of the Board.

Reasons

- To proceed with the proposed new Swimming Pool Complex at Moorways would help to shape the choices that Derby had for the provision of modern leisure facilities to help meet the Council's15 year vision to be a safe, strong and ambitious city with an ambition to be one of the most active cities in England.
- 2. The new swimming pool complex at Moorways was considered a key part of delivering this vision and the individual elements within it, such as:
 - residents having active and healthy lifestyles and improved quality of life because of the ready availability of community leisure facilities;
 - visitors making use of high quality community leisure facilities;
 - children, young people, students and employees benefitting from ready access to high quality sporting provision;
 - providing national reputation for the City for excellence of its clubs and facilities;
 - addressing the needs of local clubs and sports participants, specifically making facilities more accessible and inclusive by strategically locating facilities:
 - affordability of membership and/or activities and programmes, enabling the participation of disabled people, combining multi sports facilities to provide community hubs in strategically relevant locations;
 - providing high quality facilities and pathways from beginner to excellence.
- 3. The Council Local Plan linked to national strategies, providing a pathway from national vision to local delivery, and how the Council's strategic objectives map directly into the outputs identified in the Government's Strategy 'For an-Active Nation', and the latest Sport England Strategy 'Towards an Active Nation'. This was important from a physical activity perspective, from a present and future funding perspective and because by increasing

participation and levels of physical activity it often related to supporting 'linked' agendas, such as health improvement, educational attainment, economic development and social cohesion, and transport.

- 4. There was significant deprivation in the area surrounding the location of the Moorways site, therefore the issues above needed to be considered for the new complex at Moorways, as well as issues such as pricing and programming, enabling the whole community to enjoy the new facility. By considering the potential of offering something in the facility that was different to just traditional sport such as play, spa and beauty treatments or the potential of more adventurous activities, it could help to introduce harder to reach groups into the centre and could develop a more commercial opportunity.
- 5. The FPM showed by 2028, much of the City's current swimming pool stock would have reached the end of its active life without significant investment; this included Queen's Leisure Centre. Moving forward with the provision of facilities that help meet the demands of swimming will benefit the City and its communities.

Budget and Policy Framework

200/16 The Future of Derby – Cabinet Pledges and Council Delivery Plan

The Council Cabinet considered a report which stated that Council Cabinet approved the three year Council Plan in February 2016. This re-affirmed the Council's priorities in relation to the Derby Plan vision – *Derby 2030: Safe Strong and Ambitious* - and set the overall direction for the Council, expressed in eight Priority Outcomes:

- Protecting vulnerable children and adults
- Enabling individuals and communities
- Promoting health and wellbeing
- Raising achievement and skills
- Improving housing, supporting job creation and regeneration
- Making the most of our assets
- Being more commercial
- Delivering services differently

It was agreed that a Delivery Plan would be developed to add detail to how the Council planned to progress the Priority Outcomes, and to demonstrate how activity across the Council was focussed on these goals.

In addition, the Council had listened to feedback from residents and other stakeholders, and had developed 50 Pledges, to set out our ambitions to drive progress towards the Vision of a Safe, Strong and Ambitious Derby.

The attached Delivery Plan contained details on the pledges made under each Cabinet Portfolio, along with further actions being delivered to put the Priority Outcomes into practice.

The Delivery Plan was to be published alongside the Council Plan, and would be updated regularly as actions were completed and closed, and as new objectives and projects emerge over the lifetime of the Council Plan (to March 2019).

The Delivery Plan was an important link in the chain of strategic planning, showing how strategic level aims and priorities were translated into practical actions with demonstrable outcomes, and allowing stakeholders to hold the Council to account for delivery of its pledges

The Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board requested further information on how to feedback comments and resolved to use the Cabinet Pledges and Council Delivery Plan 2016/19 to inform future scrutiny work programmes.

Decision

- 1. To approve the Council Cabinet member pledges and delivery plan detailed in the draft Council Delivery Plan.
- 2. To encourage residents to feed back their views on the draft Council Delivery Plan through their ward councillors.
- 3. To refer the document to Council for debate and to provide councillors with an opportunity to represent the views of the public at that meeting.
- 4. To receive a final report at a Council Cabinet meeting to approve the final version of the Council Delivery Plan.
- 5. To delegate authority to the Chief Executive following consultation with the Leader of the Council to publish and maintain the Council Delivery Plan as a document to be updated throughout the lifetime of the Council Plan.
- 6. To receive quarterly monitoring reports on the progress of the Council Delivery Plan.

Contract and Financial Procedure Matters

201/16 Contract and Financial Procedure Matters

The Council Cabinet considered a report which dealt with the following items which required reporting to and approval by Council Cabinet under the Contract and Financial Procedure rules.

- Contract waiver
- Allocation of grant to external bodies

- Acceptance of funding
- Write offs with an individual value over £10,000
- Change of Use of Service Reserves
- Procuring a contract with an estimated value over £75,000
- Acceptance of grant

The Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board resolved to note the report.

Decision

- To approve waiving contract procedure rules by awarding a contract with a maximum value of £160,000 to Open Text UK Ltd, as detailed in section 4 of the report.
- 2. To approve allocations of Arts Grants totalling £202,391, as detailed in section 5 of the report.
- 3. To accept external funding from Derbyshire County Council, with a value of £270,000, and to award this funding together with a match of £180,000 from the Derby Enterprise Growth Fund to the D2 Business Starter programme. Further details were in section 6 of the report.
- 4. To approve the housing benefit write offs, with a total value of £73,007.67, as detailed in section 7 of the report.
- 5. To approve the change of use of service reserves totalling £185,000, as detailed in section 8 of the report.
- 6. To approve the procurement and award of a contract of the value circa £209,196 for a waste management IT system, as detailed in section 9 of the report.
- 7. To accept grant of £1.65m from the Local Growth Fund for the Connected Cycle City and Placemaking project, as detailed in section 10 of the report.
- 8. To delegate authority to the Director of Finance and the Strategic Director of Communities and Place for the negotiation and signing of a funding agreement, as detailed in section 10 of the report.
- To delegate approval to the Strategic Director for Communities and Place, following consultation with the Director of Finance and the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Economy:
 - to enter into a Partnership Agreement with South Derbyshire District Council (SDDC) and Derbyshire County Council which outlines how the Garden Villages funding will be allocated and spent.
 - to accept grant funding from SDDC, being a share of the Garden Villages grant awarded to SDDC by the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA), subject to acceptable grant conditions.

- to use the grant to procure contracts for consultancy services associated with early feasibility work and preparation of planning applications, in accordance with the Council's Procurement rules and Contract Procedure Rules.
- to enter into grant agreements with developers as required for the delivery of specific work package.

202/16 The Provision of HR and Personnel Services to Amber Valley Borough Council

The Council Cabinet considered a report which stated that the Council's Human Resources (HR) department and Amber Valley Borough Council (AVDC) had been discussing over recent months the mutual benefits of the Council's HR department providing HR and personnel services to AVBC.

Both organisations were now ready to move to a contracted service, proposed to start on 1 May 2017.

Approval was sought to enter into an initial three year contract which would generate an estimated total value in excess of £75,000 income over the three year term of the contract.

Both organisations had the usual options to terminate or extend the contract.

The Corporate Scrutiny and Governance Board resolved to commend the achievement of this contract and give recognition to the fantastic quality of the Council's HR offer.

Decision

To approve the Council entering into a contract with Amber Valley Borough Council regarding the provision of Human Resources and personnel services, with a start date of 1 May 2017.

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