

NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE BOARD

MINUTES of the meeting held at Ground Floor Committee Room - Loxley House, Station Street, Nottingham, NG2 3NG on 31 July 2018 from 2.00 pm - 2.28 pm

Membership

Present

Councillor Jon Collins (Chair)
Councillor Graham Chapman (Vice Chair)
Councillor Jon Collins (Chair)
Councillor Neghat Khan
Councillor Dave Liversidge
Councillor Sally Longford
Councillor David Mellen
Councillor Toby Neal
Councillor Jane Urquhart

Absent

Councillor Dave Trimble
Councillor Sam Webster

Colleagues, partners and others in attendance:

Ian Curryer	- Chief Executive
David Bishop	- Deputy Chief Executive/Corporate Director Development and Growth
Chris Deas	- Director of Major Programmes
Richard Henderson	- Director of HR and Customer
Iffat Iqbal	- Operations Manager
Zahur Khan	- Director of Traffic and Transport
Rebecca Langton	- Executive Officer to the Leader
Nick Lee	- Head of Access and Learning
Nigel Lee	- Friends of the Earth
Noel McMenamin	- Governance Officer
Keri Usherwood	- Portfolio Communications Manager

Call-in

Unless stated otherwise, all decisions are subject to call-in. The last date for call-in is Friday 10 August 2018. Decisions cannot be implemented until the working day after this date.

18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Dave Trimble – leave
Councillor Sam Webster – other Council business

Candida Brudenell
Alison Michalska

19 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None.

20 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 June 2018 were agreed as a true record and they were signed by the Chair.

21 PUBLIC TRANSPORT PROJECT FUNDING (SMART TICKETING)

The Board considered a report of the Portfolio Holder for Transport and HR on the proposed acceptance of funding from the National Productivity Investment Fund (NPIF) to enable the existing Robin Hood Ticketing System to be upgraded across the local public transport network, helping deliver integrated travel between buses, trams and different operating companies.

RESOLVED to

- (1) accept the grant offer of £2,400,000 from the Department of Transport to deliver the contactless payment project;**
- (2) delegate authority to the Corporate Director of Development and Growth in association with the appropriate Portfolio Holders to agree the final contactless payment strategy with the local public transport operators via Partnership arrangements if at all possible;**
- (3) delegate authority to the Director of Traffic and Transport to approve the procurement of the required goods and services to deliver the contactless payment project (reader upgrades and back-office systems).**

Reasons for the decisions

The Robin Hood partnership operators group has a preference for multiple suppliers to be considered on an open platform ticketing solution.

Approval is required to draw down grant, and to have appropriate delegations in place when further decisions are ready to be taken.

Other options considered

Rejecting funding and leaving operators to develop individual account based ticketing and contactless payment schemes – not a preferred option.

Developing a solution at odds with some of the key operators, that enhances the chances of fragmentation – not a preferred option.

22 LOCAL PLAN TO IMPROVE AIR QUALITY IN NOTTINGHAM

The Board considered a report of the Portfolio Holder for Energy and the Environment, requesting approval in principle for local plan measures aimed at

improving air quality in Nottingham City, and to approve the public consultation of local plan proposals prior to submission of the local plan to the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) in September 2018.

RESOLVED to

- (1) approve in principle the proposed local plan measures aimed at improving Air Quality in Nottingham City;**
- (2) approve the public consultation on the local plan during August and early September 2018 for a minimum four week period;**
- (3) delegate authority to the Corporate Director for Development and Growth to approve the submission of the final local plan to DEFRA by 15th September 2018;**
- (4) agree in principle to the variation to Air Quality Management Area (AQMA) No. 2 to the whole City administrative area;**
- (5) agree in principle to seek legal authority to enforce vehicle 'anti-idling' legislation in the newly varied AQMA no.2.**

Reasons for the decisions

Air pollution is associated with a number of adverse health impacts, with 6.4% of all adult mortality in Nottingham attributable to long term exposure to human made particulate pollution in 2010.

The City Council has a statutory obligation to regularly review and assess air quality in its area.

There is an national ongoing initiative to reduce nitrogen dioxide (NO₂) levels in towns and cities, and DEFRA analysis in 2015 concluded that 6 cities, including Nottingham, had NO₂ levels likely to exceed EU Air Quality Directive 99/30/EC by 2020.

In December 2017, the Secretary of State for the Environment directed the Council to produce a Local Plan by 15 September 2018 to deliver compliance with the Air Quality Directive.

Other options considered

An option for introducing a Class b Clean Air Zone around Nottingham City Centre was considered. However, air quality modelling indicates that nitrogen dioxide levels will be below legal limits by 2020 and beyond, and so a Clean Air Zone is not required.

23 BROADMARSH CAR PARK DEVELOPMENT

The Board considered the report of the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Growth, seeking approval to commence the Broadmarsh car park development, incorporating a new car park and complementary retail. This is an integral part of the wider Broadmarsh programme to deliver significant regeneration in the Southern side of Nottingham.

RESOLVED to

- (1) approve the current projected cost of Broadmarsh car park development as laid out in Appendix D to the report, and for it to proceed to construction, with contracts let by Christmas 2018, amending the capital programme accordingly;**
- (2) note the progress of construction contract negotiations and delegate authority to the Deputy Chief Executive/Director of Development in consultation with the Leader of the Council/Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Growth to agree to any additions/alterations to the contract, subject to any such amendments being contained within the finances as outlined at Appendix D to the report;**
- (3) approve delegated authority to the Deputy Chief Executive/Strategic Director of Development in consultation with the Leader of the Council/Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Growth to authorise the signature of the construction contract and other agreements, including external funding arrangements relating to the completion of the project, within financial parameters outlined in the finance comments in Appendix D to the report;**
- (4) endorse the ongoing project resourcing required to deliver the development and the above works in the manner laid out in the finance comments in Appendix D.**

Reasons for decision

To enable the Broadmarsh Car Park development to be achieved.

Other options considered

The option to do nothing was rejected as it would be breach of the lease agreement with intu, would miss the opportunity for car parking income, would have a detrimental impact on the economic vitality of the City and would not deliver the ambition to regenerate the Southern gateway to the City;

The option of delaying the start of the development was rejected as the benefits highlighted above would be delayed and adversely affect growth momentum;

The option of pursuing a lower cost option was rejected as it could not achieve the Council's economic growth ambition for the area, nor would it maximise future Council income from the development.

24 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of the remaining item in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the basis that, having regard to all the circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

25 BROADMARSH CAR PARK DEVELOPMENT EXEMPT APPENDICES

The Board considered the Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Growth's exempt report.

RESOLVED to approve the recommendations in the report.

Reasons for decisions

As detailed in the report.

Other options considered

As detailed in the report.