

# **CITY COUNCIL – 13 NOVEMBER 2006**

## **REPORT OF THE LEADER**

### **DECISIONS BY EXECUTIVE BOARD UNDER SPECIAL URGENCY PROCEDURE**

#### **1 SUMMARY**

This report is submitted in accordance with the Access to Information Procedure Rules regarding decisions taken during the Quarter ended 30 September 2006 under the Special Urgency Procedure set out in the Constitution. The matters to be considered were not included in the Forward Plan for decision on 18 July 2006 and the reports were not available for circulation with the agenda for that meeting.

#### **2 RECOMMENDATIONS**

IT IS RECOMMENDED that decisions of the Executive Board on 18 July 2006 in respect of the Stonebridge Park Regeneration Project and the Industrial/Employment Unit Partnership Scheme at Radford Road, Basford, be noted.

#### **3 BACKGROUND**

- 3.1 The approval of the Stonebridge Park Regeneration Project was a key decision, not included in the Forward Plan, which required an early discussion to meet urgent deadlines for consultation, to secure authority to negotiate with the selected development partner and, for that reason, could not reasonably be deferred to a future meeting.
- 3.2 The approval of the Grant Funded Industrial/Employment Unit Partnership Scheme was a key decision, not included in the Forward Plan, which required an early decision to enable funding to be obtained from the East Midlands Development Agency for a revised scheme and, for that reason, could not reasonably be deferred to a future meeting.
- 3.3 In accordance with the Special Urgency Procedure in Rule 15 of the Access to Information Rules, the agreement of the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee was obtained for these matters to be considered and decisions taken at that meeting.

### 3.4 The decisions are summarised as follows:-

#### (i) Stonebridge Park Regeneration Project

Authority was given to the Corporate Director of Adult Services, Housing and Health to progress the project for the regeneration of the estate and, in particular:-

to ensure that the disposal of Council assets provided value for money and met the requirements of the Local Government Acts;

to optimise the use of the district heating facilities available within the scheme;

to negotiate the terms of a development agreement with LHA/ASRA to secure the Council's housing and regeneration objectives;

to establish the need for the use of the Council's compulsory purchase powers under the Planning Acts;

to report the final legal partnership (development) agreement to Executive Board at the earliest possible opportunity;

and to submit a further report to the Executive Board on the replacement of Fairholm Court Sheltered Housing Scheme as soon as practicable.

#### (ii) Grant Funded Industrial/Employment Unit Partnership Scheme, Radford Road, Basford

Approval in principle was given to the development of this scheme in partnership with Nottingham Regeneration Limited (NRL);

subject to funding availability, the Acting Director of Corporate Services was authorised to appoint consultants to undertake detailed design work and to procure contractors to undertake the scheme, subject to a viable business case;

and, in recognition of NRL's contribution to the scheme, it was agreed that the Council's share of net annual income should be split on an equal basis with the company.

**4 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION**

None.

**5 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT**

Implementation of the Stonebridge Park Regeneration Project – Report of Corporate Director of Adult Services, Housing and Health.

Proposed Grant Funded Industrial/Employment Unit Partnership Scheme – Radford Road, Basford – Joint report of Acting Director of Corporate Services and Corporate Director of City Development

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