

Extract from the Joint Strategic Committee - 6 December 2016

JSC/070/16-17 “Platforms for our Places” - Unlocking the power of people, communities and our local geographies

Before the Committee was a joint report by the Chief Executive, copies of which had been circulated to all Members and a copy of which is attached to the signed copy of these Minutes as Item 6.

The report informed the Committee that the idea behind *Platforms for our Places* (Appendix 1) was evolutionary, not revolutionary from *Surf's Up*. Drawing on the themes of *Surf's Up* the Councils recognised they could not and should not seek to do everything for everyone.

Their role had been focussed on provision of essential services and the creation of the required “platforms” upon which others in the communities of Adur and Worthing were able to do the things, which would create and sustain long term prosperity.

The document identifies 5 key platforms namely:-

- Our Financial Economies
- Our Social Economies
- Stewarding our Natural Resources
- Services and Solutions for our places
- Leadership of our Places

Underpinning each of the platforms were a series of commitments for both Councils (and a range of stakeholders) to create, sustain and further develop the platforms. They were serious statements of intent which were ambitious and accompanied by realistic timescales for implementation.

Members noted that *Platforms for our Places* had been developed in parallel with the 2017/18 budgets and that officers would bring an update report to the Joint Strategic Committee on a 6 monthly basis with an annual look at what had gone well and what had not.

A Member asked whether *Platforms for our Places* had been shared with our partners. Officers advised that the position of partners on a range of issues and what they were interested in doing was known and that a series of conversations would take place during January and February 2017.

A Member suggested that the timescale given for project 2.2.4 under commitment 2.2 was not specific enough. Officers agreed to review the timescale and identify a month for the delivery of a plan.

The Committee expressed their support for *Platforms for our Places* which prepared both Councils for the big financial challenges ahead whilst maintaining their ambitions.

Decision

That the Joint Strategic Committee considered the draft *Platforms for our Places* approach and recommended that:-

- 1. Adur District Council consider the draft *Platforms for our Places* document and endorse the approach as one of Adur District Council's strategic documents for the next 3 years;**
2. Worthing Borough Council consider the draft *Platforms for our Places* document and endorse the approach as one of Worthing Borough Council's strategic documents for the next 3 years;
3. That if (1) and (2) above are agreed, that officers be instructed to:-
 - design the document and means of communicating it in a low cost and digitally friendly manner
 - to begin the key conversations with strategic partners
 - to put in place the suggested oversight arrangements

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JSC/072/16-17 Capital Investment Programme 2017/18 - 2019/20 Adur District Council, Worthing Borough Council and Joint Committee

Before the Committee was a report by the Director for Digital & Resources, copies of which had been circulated to all Members and a copy of which is attached to the signed copy of these Minutes as Item 8.

The report recommended the schemes for inclusion in the overall Capital Investment Programme for the three years 2017/2018 - 2019/2020 for Adur District Council, Worthing Borough Council and the Joint Strategic Committee.

The report informed the Joint Strategic Committee of the resources available for future capital investment, and updated Members about the financing of the proposed three-year programmes.

Officers outlined some of the work being undertaken as part of the Capital Investment programme including, good progress in the delivery of the Kitchen & Bathrooms programme in Adur Homes properties; the refurbishment of Colonnade House and creation of new artist studio space which was proving to be a great success; the play area at the Gallops; Homefield skatepark and the car park extension at the crematorium.

The prioritised programme of work was very extensive and the details of which were included as appendices to the report.

It was proposed and seconded that Bid 25, *'Town Centres and Street Scene - Improvements to the visual quality of the town centres and street scene in Adur District'* replace Bid 20, *'Shoreham Centre - Provision of a DDA changing places facility'* in the bids submitted for the Adur Capital Investment Programme 2017/18 - 2019/20.

Decision,

The Joint Strategic Committee:-

- (i) approved increasing the Worthing Borough Council programme by £0.85m to provide for the Environmental Improvements to Brooklands Lake;
- (ii) approved increasing the Adur District programme by £84,000 for the installation of new stand pipes;
- (iii) considered the three General Fund Capital Investment Programmes for the three-year period 2017/18 to 2019/2020 and confirmed the schemes to be included as detailed in Appendix 2, 3 and 4, as amended by decisions (a) and (b) above and to replace bid 20 with bid 25 in the Adur Capital Investment Programme 2017/18 - 2019/20;
- (iv) agreed the Adur Housing Renovation Programme for the three-year period 2017/18 to 2019/2020 as detailed at Appendix 5;
- (v) agreed the amendments and additions to the reserve lists as detailed in Appendices 6 and 7;
- (vi) recommended the 3 Year Programmes for approval by the respective Councils on the 20th December 2016 (Adur) and 15th December 2016 (Worthing).**

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