

CLEANER, GREENER, SAFER

A record of decisions made by the Executive Member with responsibility for Cleaner, Greener, Safer on:-

TUESDAY, 25TH JANUARY, 2011

following consideration of the matters detailed below in the presence of:-

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| Councillor Bashir - Ismail | Executive Member for Cleaner, Greener, Safer |
| Mr. M. Cox | Director of Environmental Services |
| Ms. S. Schofield | Assistant Director of Environmental Services |
| Mr. M. Russell | Head of Greenspace |
| Ms. J. Pollard | Policy Accountant |
| Mrs. S. Bailey | Principal Democratic Services Officer |

32. MONITORING OF EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISIONS

The Director of Chief Executive's Department submitted a report which provided an update on decisions taken at previous meetings of the Executive Member.

The Executive Member NOTED the report.

34. PLAYBUILDER PROGRAMME FINAL POSITION

The Director of Environmental Services submitted a report which updated the Executive Member on the latest position regarding Playbuilder Programme funding for 2010/11.

The report advised that in June, 2008, the Council had been awarded Playbuilder status with a three year funding allocation from the Department for Children, Schools and Families (now

DFE) of £1,182,931 of Capital and £45,222 revenue, to be used for related costs.

In July, 2010, the DFE had halted any further spend and the Council had submitted a claim for costs incurred to date on the 2010/11 Programme.

In this regard, the DFE had now advised the Council that it would receive a final payment of £275,131, which was the value of the claim submitted for costs up to 14th July, 2010, and an additional payment of £69,724 which the Council could spend against its locally identified priorities.

The report advised that the additional payment of £69,724 would not enable delivery of the original programme. Two of the schemes from the original programme namely, Queens Park and Rumworth Park were proceeding although under financial constraints. It was therefore proposed that the additional payment be split between the two schemes as appropriate, to allow Rumworth Park to be delivered as originally designed and to minimise the impact on the overall Queens Park funding package.

The Executive Member NOTED –

- (i) The final outcome of the Department for Education revision of the Playbuilder funding; and APPROVED**

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- (i) The use of the additional payment, as appropriate, to allow Rumworth Park to be delivered as originally designed and to minimise the impact on the overall Queens Park funding package.**

35. QUEENS PARK HERITAGE LOTTERY PROJECT

The Director of Environmental Services submitted a report which informed the Executive Member on the progress of the implementation of the Queens Park Heritage Lottery Scheme and to seek approval for:

- (a) acceptance of the lowest tender for the construction of the Queens Park Community Building; and
- (b) expenditure of identified s106 funding on the project.

The Executive Member was reminded that Bolton Council had been successful in October, 2009 in a bid to the Parks for People Lottery Fund for the sum of £5.1M of capital works in Queens Park.

Works had been progressing on site since November, 2009 and the report outlined the significant progress made in the first year on the key physical elements of the project, namely, Dobson Bridge, Park Road Lodge, play facilities, restoration of the lakes and tree removals.

The report outlined the tender process undertaken to invite tenders for the construction of the Queens Park Community Building and sought approval to award the contract to Colbre Projects Ltd as the lowest tenderer. Details of the timescales involved and associated costs were provided in the report.

In addition, approval was also sought for the use of s106 monies as contributions to the Queen's Park Project:

- School Hill – Halliwell - £38,875
- Heaton Chase, Chorley New Road - £26,420

The Executive Member NOTED –

- (i) the progress to date on the implementation of the Queens Park Heritage Programme;**
- (ii) the overall timescales and costs relation to the construction of the Queens Park Community Building; and APPROVED –**
- (iii) the appointment of Colbre Projects Ltd to undertake the construction works, starting on site from January, 2011;**
- (iv) the budget expenditure for the project, as detailed in the report now submitted; and**

(v) the use of s106 funding as identified in section 4.1 of the report now submitted, as a contribution to the funding package for the Queens Park Heritage Lottery Project.

36. APPROVAL FOR PROCUREMENT OF HARD SURFACE WEED SPRAYING SERVICES

The Director of Environmental Services submitted a report which sought agreement to commence the procurement process for the contract for the supply of hard surface weed spraying application services which was due for renewal in April, 2011.

The contract would be for a 12 month period and the process would allow for tenders to be returned in February, 2011 with tender evaluation and contract award taking place before the end of February, 2011.

The Executive Member AGREED –

To the commencement of the procurement process for the contract for the supply of hard surface weed spraying and application services on the basis detailed in the report now submitted and that a report on the tenders received be submitted to a future meeting of the Executive Member.