

REPORT BY THE LEADER ON THE WORK OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

The attention of Members is drawn to the following items which have been discussed by the Policy and Resources Committee since the last ordinary meeting of the Council:-

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE 27th NOVEMBER, 2018

- **Development Brief for the Extension of Lomeshaye Industrial Estate**

The Committee noted the comments received on the draft Development Brief and agreed to adopt the revised version of the Brief.

Subsequently the above decision has been called in and referred back to the three group leaders for discussion and reconsideration at the next meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee.

- **Brownfield Sites Fund Review**

We noted the current position regarding funding commitment and spend. We agreed to allocate £20,000 of the fund to support the development of a masterplan for Nelson town centre which would provide match funding for a bid to the One Public Estate Programme. The remaining funding will be targeted on specific proposals based on a number of suggestions referred to in the report and these proposals will be brought back to committee for agreement.

- **Extension of PEARL2 Joint Venture Company**

We agreed to extend Pendle Enterprise and Regeneration (2) Limited for a further 5 years or 50% of the contract value, whichever was the earliest.

- **Enforcement of Cemeteries Regulations**

The Committee deferred consideration of this item for a site visit to both Colne and Nelson cemeteries.

- **Community Investment Fund**

We agreed to convene a sub-committee of the Policy and Resources Committee to determine the governance arrangements and policy document of the Community Investment Fund based on a membership of 3 Councillors.

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- **Pendle's Sport and Leisure Strategy**

The Committee noted the findings from the Sport and Leisure consultation which was undertaken in July/August 2018. We also agreed to the carrying out of a consultation exercise with partners and the final version of the Strategy will be presented to Council in early 2019.

- **Roll Out of Microsoft Office 365 to Councillors**

The Committee agreed to preparatory training sessions to be arranged, together with support for individual members on the use of Microsoft Office 365 by 31st March, 2019 and all members would be on the system by the time of the next Annual Council meeting.

- **Roll Out of Broadband – Request by Internexus (IT Wireless)**

We noted the implications of the roll out of broadband by Internexus and acknowledged that the process was something the Council had to engage in. A further report will be brought back to the

Policy and Resources Committee on options being put forward when the developer had better refined their proposals.

- **Performance Indicators (PI) Update 1st April, 2018 to 30th September, 2018**

We noted the report and asked for reports on homelessness and the current position regarding the blue bin lids to be submitted to the next meeting.

- **Land at Thomas Street, Colne**

The offer of £15,000 for the disposal of land at Thomas Street, Colne was agreed.

- **Matters Referred from Area Committees**

- (a) Land at Lee Road, Nelson**

The land between numbers 10 and 14 Lee Road, Nelson was declared surplus to requirements in order for a sale to be negotiated to the adjoining owners.

- (b) Land at Every Street, Brierfield**

The land at Every Street, Brierfield was declared surplus to requirements in order for a sale to be negotiated with the adjoining owner.

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