Nuneaton & Bedworth Area Committee

10 July 2007

Agenda

The Nuneaton & Bedworth Area Committee will meet in the CONFERENCE ROOM, ELIOT PARK INNOVATION CENTRE, 4 BARLING WAY, NUNEATON on TUESDAY, 10 July 2007 at 6:00 p.m.

The agenda will be: -

- 1. (1) Apologies
 - (2) Members' Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

Members are reminded that they should declare the existence and nature of their interests at the commencement of the relevant item (or as soon as the interest becomes apparent). If that interest is a prejudicial interest the member must withdraw from the room.

Membership of a district or borough council is classed as a personal interest under the Code of Conduct. A Member does not need to declare this interest unless the Member chooses to speak on a matter relating to their membership. If the Member does not wish to speak on the matter, the Member may still vote on the matter without making a declaration.

PART A Non-Executive Functions

None

PART B Executive Functions

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2. Nuneaton and Bedworth Masterplan, Consideration of North Warwickshire and Hinckley College and King Edward V1 College Relocation to Nuneaton Town Centre.

Report of the Strategic Directors for Environment and Economy and Adult, Health and Community Services.

At Area Committee on 24/5/06 Members asked that further work be carried out to examine the impact of the possible relocation of North Warwickshire and Hinckley College and King Edward VI College to Nuneaton Town Centre. This report describes the potential impacts of the relocation and compares them to the original masterplan proposals.

As the proposals would have an impact on the existing Library, the report also considers options for relocating the library. The report requests Members to take a view on the preferred option for the library.

Recommendation

That Members:-

- 1. Note that the Cabinet decision on 1st February 2007 to implement the Masterplan will have considerable capital resource implications for the Council (as regards the financing of the proposed replacement library and providing temporary accommodation during construction) and that officers will need to clarify those issues fully prior to final approval by Cabinet of detailed proposals of the Masterplan.
- 2. Note the likely implications of the North Warwickshire and Hinckley College (NWHC) and King Edward VI College (KEC) alternative proposal for co-location in the town centre on the Vicarage Street site ("the Colleges' Option") compared to the original proposal for the Vicarage Street site in the Masterplan.
- 3. Recommend to Cabinet that it approves varying the Masterplan to accommodate the Colleges' Option subject to Cabinet being satisfied regarding (a) a full business case and the outcome of the Value for Money Review to justify the relocation of the library, and (b) full funding for the relocation of the library having being confirmed.
- 4. Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions mentioned in Recommendation 3, support the principle of selling the site of the former Magistrates Courts and the existing Library site at full market value to the colleges to allow the colleges to take vacant possession in October 2008 and enable implementation of the Colleges' Option.
- 5. Authorise officers to undertake further work to determine the preferred location of the Library, carried out on the understanding that there is a fall-back option of the Church Street Car Park as per the original Masterplan Proposal, and agree that a further report be brought to Area Committee seeking approval of the preferred location for the new library.

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3. Any Other Business

Which the Chair considers urgent.

JIM GRAHAM
Chief Executive

Committee Membership

Councillors: Burton, Chattaway, Farnell, Haynes, Heatley, Henry, Hicks, Jones, Longden, McCarney, Ross, Singh, Tandy, Tooth.

Public Question Time

Up to thirty minutes is allowed for the public to ask questions on any matter relevant to the business of the Committee. Members of the public may speak for up to three minutes. If you wish to submit a question please send it to Heather Shearer, Area Manager, at the address below, at least five working days before the meeting with your contact details. This will enable the Area Manager to advise you of the procedure at the meeting.

Questions must be submitted in writing to Heather Shearer, Area Manager, Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Office, Albion Court, 76 Attleborough Road, Nuneaton CV11 4JJ five working days before the meeting.

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