

# REGENERATION AND LIVEABILITY PORTFOLIO

## DECISION RECORD

15th December 2005

### **Present:**

The Mayor (Stuart Drummond)

Officers: Mick Emerson, Principal Economic Development Officer  
(Business)  
Alison Mawson, Head of Community Safety and Prevention  
Peter Scott, Director of Regeneration and Planning Services  
Dave Stubbs, Head of Environmental Management  
Pat Watson, Democratic Services Officer

### **37. Planning Delivery Grant** (*Director of Regeneration and Planning Services*)

#### **Type of decision**

Non-key.

#### **Purpose of report**

To describe proposals for the use of a further amount of the 2005/06 Planning Delivery Grant and seek the Portfolio Holder's approval for items to be put forward.

#### **Issue(s) considered by the Portfolio Holder**

The report and appendix outlined the government's intentions for the use of the annual Planning Delivery Grant awarded to local authorities and set out specific proposals for allocating a further amount of the grant received by the Council in 2005/06.

#### **Decision**

The Portfolio Holder approved the earmarking of Planning Delivery Grant resources to the projects and activities described in the report and appendix.

## **38. Community Security Contract** (*Head of Community Safety and Prevention*)

### **Type of decision**

Non-key.

### **Purpose of report**

To outline proposed changes to the method of security provision for council buildings and sites associated security services.

### **Issue(s) considered by the Portfolio Holder**

The report contained background information and outlined details of existing contract provision and budget.

The Portfolio Holder was advised that a review of the current contract provision had been conducted and the report set out proposals for service provision after 1<sup>st</sup> April 2006. It was proposed that a variety of methods be utilised, as follows:

- (i) in-house provision by Neighbourhood Services Department (eg for locking and unlocking public conveniences and parks, responding to alarm activations and escort service for mobile (housing) wardens (if required);
- (ii) procurement of a static guard service for particular buildings (eg Civic Centre) to be used as required;
- (iii) improved security at some sites to be agreed with building managers.

Proposed changes to the key holder escort service for 37 schools were also outlined in the report.

The Portfolio Holder was advised that service provision would be tailored to the existing budget provision.

### **Decision**

The Portfolio Holder:

- (a) agreed, in principle, to the Council's security requirements being provided by one or more of the methods outlined above after 31<sup>st</sup> March 2006, and
- (b) noted that further detailed reports, outlining proposals for service provision at individual buildings, etc, would be brought to future Portfolio meetings.

### **39. Minor Works Proposals** (*Head of Environmental Management*)

#### **Type of decision**

Non-key.

#### **Purpose of report**

To present the recommendations of Neighbourhood Consultative Forums in respect of minor grant works and request Portfolio Holder approval to these.

#### **Issue(s) considered by the Portfolio Holder**

The report outlined each of the schemes recommended by the Central, North and South Neighbourhood Forums in the last cycle and the Portfolio Holder was advised that the schemes could be carried out within the existing Minor Works budgets

#### **Decision**

The Portfolio Holder agreed the recommendations of the Neighbourhood Consultative Forums in respect of Minor Works proposals as outlined in the report.

### **40. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985**

Under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public were excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985.

Minute 41 - Flex-Ability Limited - Application for Financial Assistance (para 4 - namely information relating to a particular applicant for, or recipient or former recipient of, any service provided by the Council

**41. Application for Financial Assistance (para 4)**  
*(Assistant Director (Planning and Economic Development))*

**Type of decision**

Non-key – exempt.

**Purpose of report**

To request approval to an application for financial assistance within the scope of the Hartlepool Borough Council Business Grants Package. The decision is indicated in the exempt Decision Record.

**J A BROWN**

**CHIEF SOLICITOR**

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