

REGENERATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PORTFOLIO

DECISION RECORD

3 December 2010

The meeting commenced at 3.30 p.m. in the Civic Centre, Hartlepool

Present:

Councillor Pamela Hargreaves (Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Economic Development)

Officers: Dave Stubbs, Director of Regeneration and neighbourhoods
Alistair Smith, Assistant Director, Transport and Engineering
Mick Emerson, Principal Economic Development Officer (Business)
Sheila Watson, Employment Relations Adviser
Rob Smith, Senior Regeneration Officer
David Cosgrove, Principal Democratic Services Officer

31. Local Safety Schemes – Assistant Director (Transportation and Engineering)

Type of Decision

Non key.

Purpose of Report

To report the list of potential safety schemes following a review of updated road casualty data.

Issues for Consideration

The report detailed the updated list of safety schemes based on road casualty data for the years 2007, 2008 and 2009. The Portfolio Holder questioned if there was a way of building into the process a cost analysis of the individual schemes. Balancing the casualty data against the costs of schemes may allow some schemes to be carried out earlier than the priority list may suggest. The Assistant Director commented that costs could be identified for the individual schemes, though obviously they would only be estimates.

Decision

That the list of potential safety schemes following a review of updated road casualty data be resubmitted to the January meeting of the

Portfolio together with estimated costs for each scheme.

32. Jesmond Mews – Parking Petition – Assistant Director
(Transportation and Engineering)

Type of Decision

Non key.

Purpose of Report

To inform the Portfolio Holder of a petition which had been received for the implementation of double yellow lines on Hart Lane either side of the Jesmond Mews junction and requesting the introduction of residents parking on Jesmond Mews.

Issues for Consideration

The report outlined that a thirteen-named petition had been received requesting the implementation of double yellow lines on the east side of Jesmond Mews and requesting the introduction of residents parking on Jesmond Mews. The Portfolio Holder questioned how many properties there were in the Mews and did the petition reflect a sufficiently large majority of the properties. The Director commented that there were eighteen properties in the Mews.

The Portfolio Holder acknowledged the recommendation in the report to take no action but considered that if all the residents in the Mews were in favour of a resident only parking zone, then she would support the proposal. The Portfolio Holder requested that all properties in Jesmond Mews be contacted by letter for an indication of their support for the proposals. Should they all, or the vast majority, be in support of the residents parking scheme, the Portfolio Holder indicated that she would support the request. The Assistant Director indicated that the introduction of double yellow lines in the Mews should only be considered if the residents parking zone failed to resolve all the residents' issues.

Decision

That the residents of Jesmond Mews be contacted to ascertain their support for the proposal for a residents' only parking scheme.

33. Work Smart Project – Assistant Director
(Regeneration and Planning)

Type of Decision

Non key.

Purpose of Report

To provide an update to the Portfolio Holder in respect of recent developments in the Work Smart Project and proposed changes to the service.

Issues for Consideration

The report provided an outline of the Work Smart project and explained recent developments and proposed changes to the service. The Portfolio Holder commented that from personal experience she knew the value of the project to the voluntary sector. The widening of the area of the project was seen as a positive move that may increase its income base.

Decision

That the report be noted and the widening of the geographical area of the project be approved.

34. Outcome of the Empty Shops Fund – *Assistant Director (Regeneration and Planning)*

Type of Decision

Non key.

Purpose of Report

To update the Portfolio Holder on the outcome of the Empty Shops Fund.

Issues for Consideration

The report provided details and results of the Multi-use, Drop-in, 'All Aboard' Project and the Indoor market Initiative which both received funding from the Empty Shops Fund. The Portfolio Holder welcomed the report and hoped that in particular the changes to the indoor market would continue to prove beneficial to the traders located there.

Decision

That the report be noted.

The report concluded at 3.40 p.m.

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CHIEF SOLICITOR

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