



RURAL, ECONOMIC & ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

27<sup>th</sup> November 2014

Present:

Councillor J. Douglas, E. Hutchinson,  
V. Manderson, J.T Orson (Chairman), J. B Rhodes

As observer:

Councillor M. M. Gordon, J. Wyatt

Strategic Director (CM), Head of Central Services, Central Services Manager,  
Corporate Property Officer, Estates Manager, Simon Wilkinson (Project Manager,  
Pick Everard), Richard Frape (contractor for construction, Morgan Sindall),  
Administrative Assistant for Communities and Neighbourhoods.

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R44. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor P. Baguley, G.E Botterill, G. Bush, E. Holmes, J. Moulding, M.R. Sheldon

R45. MINUTES

The public and exempt minutes from the meeting of the 29<sup>th</sup> October 2014 were confirmed and authorised to be signed by the Chairman.

R46. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

R47. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES

There were no recommendations from other Committees.

R48. CATTLE MARKET UPDATE: PHASE 1- SECURING THE FUTURE

The Strategic Director (CM) and Corporate Property Officer submitted a joint report to update the committee on matters relating to the Cattle Market regeneration and rationalisation project and to consider the final Strategic Economic Plan (SEP) Bid, Business Case and to approve the funding

package and submission of a planning application for Phase 1- Securing the Future element of the project.

The Strategic Director brought Members attention to para 3.3 outlining the key outcomes from Phase One of the project and the speculative nature of the bidding process as well as the costs associated with this.

The Strategic Director stated that the plans attached at the appendices will be taken to the Cattle Market Working Group before being submitted to the Planning Committee.

The Chairman advised Members that if the recommendations are approved this evening, the financial recommendations will be considered by Policy, Finance and Administration committee on the 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2014.

Members showed support of and confidence in the recommendations and emphasised the importance of the town having a thriving and active cattle market.

**RESOLVED that**

- (a) the detailed update on matters related to this project be noted as set out in the report
- (b) it be noted that officers have submitted a bid for £3.5m to the Leicester and Leicestershire Enterprise Partnership (LLEP) in respect of the Cattle Market: Phase 1 – A copy of the bid is attached at exempt Appendix A.
- (c) the Business Case at Appendix B be approved for submission, as supported by Appendix B1, to the Policy, Finance and Administration Committee for inclusion in the Capital Programme as set out in para 5.1, subject to a successful funding bid.
- (d) The Policy, Finance and Administration Committee be requested to approve a supplementary estimate of up to £200,000 to enable the project to proceed to full planning and detailed preparation prior to any funding announcements. Delegated authority to be given to the Head of Central Services to determine the source of this funding as part of the year accounts closedown process.
- (e) the liaison taking place with partners and interested parties be noted as set out in the report.
- (f) the option 5 layout attached at exempt Appendix C be approved to be prepared for submission to the Planning Authority and authority be delegated to the Corporate Property Officer in consultation with the

Strategic Director to finalise the detail prior to submission as advised by the Councils Project Managers and Contractors.

- (g) the appointment of Bruton Knowles to negotiate the terms for the new 20 year lease to the operators for the Phase 1 area as previously approved by this committee be noted.

Chairman