

# CABINET

## Bailrigg Garden Village Cabinet Liaison Group 8 November 2018

### Report of Interim Regeneration Manager

PURPOSE OF REPORT				
To seek Cabinet's approval for the Terms of Reference for the Bailrigg Garden Village Cabinet Liaison Group.				
Key Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-Key Decision	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Referral from Cabinet Member
Date of notice of forthcoming key decision		N/A		
This report is public.				

#### RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE INTERIM REGENERATION MANAGER

- 1) Agree the creation of the Bailrigg Garden Village Cabinet Liaison Group
- 2) Approve the terms of reference (appendix 1)

#### 1.0 Report

1.1 Following the granting of Garden Village (GV) status early in 2016. The regeneration and planning team have,

- Identified all land ownerships that could be included within the GV,
- Via the appointed consultants (GVA), held meetings with most stakeholders, including directly affected landowners, residents, developers, Homes England, Lancashire Enterprise Partnership, Lancaster University and County Highways,
- The concept of bringing development forward in the South Lancaster Area is enabled by an increase in the capacity of the local transport infrastructure. Capacity will be increased by a remodelling of J33 of the M6 motorway, the provision of a Bus Rapid Transport system and a Cycle Super Highway. To this end County Highways are preparing a Housing Infrastructure Fund (HIF) bid. Which is to be deposited by the end of February 2018, County Highways have appointed Genecon as their bid consultant and Genecon have commenced the bid preparation.
- The HIF bid is prepared to identify the number of new houses, commercial space and University accommodation, which can

only be constructed following the provision of the infrastructure improvements. The bid will also set out the economic benefits of the new infrastructure. The bid process is competitive, as the fund is finite, we understand that it is currently oversubscribed by approximately 20%.

- At the same time as this work, the local plan team are preparing for the Enquiry in Public (EIP) of the local plan, which describes the South Lancaster Growth Area (SLGA). Which is further defined by an Area Action Plan (AAP), which the GV forms part of. As such, the delivery of the GV is vital for the success of the EIP of the local plan.
- To commence stakeholder engagement, 3 options for the GV were offered for consideration and feedback was received in various forms, including written and verbal. This was collated into an options plan, which will be shared with all stakeholders.
- GVA and Hyas planning have now been instructed to undertake phase 2 of the engagement and design process for the GV. The output of this phase will be a defined boundary for the GV, design concepts for house types, public open space and separation from the south side of Scotforth. As part of this process various public events, workshops and one to one meetings will be held.
- The future work will feed into the AAP and Local Plan process in order that there is continuity in each document.
- Due to the complex nature of the GV master planning exercise it is necessary to have a board structure to project manage and deliver the master planning exercise.
- The Liaison Group is not an executive group it is not set up to make decisions.
- This process of developing a master plan is a long and complicated exercise with differing tensions. Therefore, communication and engagement with elected members is essential. The Regeneration Portfolio holder will be assisted by other councillors to challenge and understand the outputs of the various boards and consultant's findings and disseminate this information to other elected members. This inclusive approach adds value to the process, as the local stakeholder needs and wishes can be discussed and challenged to create achievable and sustainable outputs.
- At appendix 2 is a diagram showing how the boards interrelate and who the main board members are.

1.2 Terms of Reference for the CLG have are at Appendix 1, for Cabinet's consideration.

## **2.0 Details of Consultation**

2.1 None at this stage.

## **3.0 Options and Options Analysis (including risk assessment)**

3.1 The options are essentially to agree to the Terms of Reference as attached, or propose alternatives, subject to Cabinet's desired focus for the CLG. As long as any terms fit with the Constitution, there is no Officer preferred option.

**RELATIONSHIP TO POLICY FRAMEWORK**

The aims and objectives of the Bailrigg Garden Village Cabinet Liaison Group will be aligned to support the Council Plan to develop the concept of the GV.

**CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

**(including Health & Safety, Equality & Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, HR, Sustainability and Rural Proofing):**

None directly arising at this stage.

**LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

None directly arising at this stage.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

None directly arising at this stage.

**OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS, such as Human Resources, Information Services, Property, Open Spaces:**

None directly arising at this stage.

**SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

The Section 151 Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

**MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS****MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

The Monitoring Officer has been consulted in the drafting of this report and has no further comments. Cabinet Liaison Groups are set out in the constitution, Part 4, Rules of Procedure, Section 4 Cabinet at paragraph 29.

**Cabinet Liaison Groups**

(a) Cabinet Liaison Groups are not an essential body but may be created to take forward business. However, they are purely consultative and not decision-making. They will be chaired by a member of Cabinet and there is no restriction on size although the group must be limited to what is manageable and effective for their purpose. They may be time limited or of longer standing, again depending on their purpose.

(b) The participants in the Group will be by invitation of the Chairman and can be made up from any or all of the following:

- Other members of Cabinet - Others from outside the Council
- Other members of Council not on Cabinet - Council officers

(c) Terms of Reference: Their Terms of Reference are to share information about a particular topic, e.g. e-government and develop effective consultation and communication links with community groups and other bodies with an interest in the subject area. In this way, individual Cabinet members will have a wider information and advisory platform to inform executive decision-making and policy effectiveness.

(d) Specific outcomes from their meetings may generate requests for pieces of work to be undertaken by officers or partner bodies. Alternatively, it could be a request to Overview and Scrutiny to set up a Task Group to undertake a specific piece of work. There could also be specific reports to Cabinet, Committees of Cabinet, individual Cabinet members, or other Committees of Council recommending action for determination.

(e) Each Liaison Group will have their terms of reference and expected outputs approved by Cabinet before they meet

#### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

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