

# **NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

## **DECISION SHEET**

**Meeting of the Letchworth Committee held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Gernon Road, Letchworth Garden City on Wednesday, 5th December, 2018 at 7.30 pm**

### **1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Kate Aspinwall and Sue Ngwala.

### **2 MINUTES - 6 JUNE 2018**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 6 June 2018 be approved as a true record of the proceedings and be signed by the Chairman.

### **3 MINUTES - 19 SEPTEMBER 2018**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 19 September 2018 be approved as a true record of the proceedings and be signed by the Chairman.

### **4 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business notified with the exception of the additional Agenda item which was an urgent request from The White Thorn Bowls Club; who had contacted the Council desperately seeking a Grant to assist with some work they urgently need to undertake.

A late grant application was received which needed to be determined before the next meeting. In accordance with 100b 4 (b) of the Local Government Act 1972 and the urgent procedure rules, as contained within the Council's constitution, it had been agreed that an application from the White Thorn Lane Bowls Club would be considered at this meeting. The application was received subsequent to the publication of the Agenda and should determination of the grant be considered at the next scheduled Area Committee, it would mean that the application would not be able to be considered for potential funding by the Area Committee.

Officer Claire Morgan confirmed that Mr Choudhury from The White Thorn Bowls Club required the funding for ditch walls. The project would need to commence prior to the next meeting in late Feb and really needed to be discussed at this meeting. Any decision would be on the understanding that should all the paperwork be received, all be in order and be deemed compliant with the grant criteria, then funds could be received. These were the conditions to be put on the grant. It would be up to members to decide from the presentation and from any questions they had to see whether they would be willing to provide any funding to the project.

### **5 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- (1) The Chairman welcomed those present at the meeting, especially those who had attended to give a presentation;
- (2) The Chairman advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be audio recorded;
- (3) The Chairman drew attention to the item on the agenda front pages regarding Declarations of Interest and reminded Members that, in line with the Code of Conduct, any Declarations of Interest needed to be declared immediately prior to the item in question.

**6 LETCHWORTH BID MANAGER**

Patricia Saunders, thanked the Chairman for the opportunity to address the Committee and updated the Committee regarding the work and activities of the Letchworth BID..

**7 GRANTS & COMMUNITY UPDATE**

**RESOLVED:** That grant funding of £1,500 be awarded to White Thorn Bowls Club to contribute towards the costs of rebuilding the ditch gully and ditch wall.

**REASON FOR DECISION:** To support community groups and activities in Letchworth.

**8 WARD MATTERS AND OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS - MEMBERS' REPORTS**

Members discussed the following issues:

- Howard Gardens Social Club.

**9 PUBLIC PRESENTATION**

The Committee received presentations from the following:

- Crystalites Majorettes
- Wilbury Community Forum
- Best Before Café
- Groundwork
- White Thorn Bowls Club.