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Minutes of a special meeting of the Executive of the Bolsover District Council held in the Council Chamber, Sherwood Lodge, Bolsover, on Friday, 30th May 2008 at 1000 hours.

PRESENT:-

Members:-

Councillors J.E. Bennett, A.J. Hodkin, D. Kelly, D. McGregor, B.R. Murray-Carr, A.M. Syrett and E. Watts (from 1010 hours).

Officers:-

W. Lumley (Chief Executive Officer), D. Hill (Head of Finance), J Sherwood (Residential Principal Environmental Health Officer), S. Bentley (Environmental Health Officer), A. Collyer (Trainee Solicitor) and A. Bluff (Democratic Services Officer).

70. ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR MEETING

In the absence of Councillor E. Watts and A.F. Tomlinson, it was

Moved by Councillor B. R. Murray-Carr, seconded by Councillor T. Bennett. **RESOLVED** that Councillor D. McGregor be elected as Chair for the meeting.

Councillor D, McGregor in the Chair.

71. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors K. Bowman and A.F. Tomlinson.

72. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received.

73. THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

Moved by Councillor J.E. Bennett, Seconded by Councillor D. Kelly.

RESOLVED that under Section 100(A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the stated Paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act and it is not in the public interest for the to be revealed.

74. NEW HOUGHTON RENEWAL AREA REMODELLING OF TERRACED PROPERTIES EXEMPT – PARAGRAPH 3

The Residential Principal Environmental Health Officer presented the report which gave details of proposals for the remodelling of terraced properties in the New Houghton Renewal Area.

Meden Valley Making Places would be funding internal improvements and environmental works with a contribution of $\pounds 2.87$ million - the Council would be funding external group repair works of $\pounds 1.5$ million which would come from the capital investment programme. The Council would be acting as employer of the agents and contractors which would enable the VAT to be reclaimed.

Owner occupiers would be means tested with a view to them contributing a maximum of 25% of the cost of the external works, individual owners would be expected to sign agreements / contracts regarding the works and agree to pay their contribution at the end of the scheme and landlords would have to pay 25% of the cost of the works.

Members suggested that if the costs exceed the budget, recommendation two be changed to allow a further report to be presented to Executive.

Moved by Councillor D. Kelly, seconded by Councillor J.E. Bennett. **RESOLVED** that 1) the report be received,

2) the Chief Executive Officer (in consultation with the Solicitor to the Council) be authorised to sign all necessary documents on behalf of the Council to allow the scheme to proceed (including the funding agreement with MVMP, the agreement to employ the Managing Agents and the Contract for the Works), unless the costs exceed the budget, then a further report be presented to Executive,

3) the Council's Standing Orders for Contracts, with the exception of paragraph 4.8.2 (5), be suspended in respect of the appointment and employment of the Managing Agents and the appointment and employment of the Contractor for the Works,

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4) the action already taken in respect of the OJEU advert be endorsed.

(Residential Principal Environmental Health Officer)

Reason for the Decision: To allow the contract to be let and the programme of refurbishment works to be undertaken.

The meeting concluded at 1030 hours