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| Committee: | Executive | Agenda Item No.: | 2 Urgent Item |
| Date: | 16 th March 2009 | Status | Open |
| Category | Decision within the functions of Executive | | |
| Subject: | Meden Valley Making Places | | |
| Report by: | Head of Environmental Health and Street Services | | |
| Other Officers Involved | Environmental Health Residential Manager | | |
| Director | Chief Executive Officer | | |
| Relevant Portfolio Holder | Regeneration | | |

RELEVANT CORPORATE AIMS

REGENERATION – Developing healthy, prosperous and sustainable communities by helping to bring about sustainable improvements in housing and environmental conditions in those areas most effected by the decimation of the coal mining industry

TARGETS

Corporate Plan 2007 – 2011

To have no area of the District within the top 10% of most deprived areas by 2015

To complete the planned improvements to private sector housing in Pleasley, New Houghton, Shirebrook and Whaley Thorns by 2010

VALUE FOR MONEY

By working with Meden Valley Making Places the Council receives a high level of investment into the area by the regeneration agencies and developers

THE REPORT

Members will be aware that the Council has been a Member of Meden Valley Making Places Ltd. since 2001 when approval was given for the Chief Executive Officer to approve the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company. (Minute no. 900/2001 refers). Other agreements in place include those relating to funding and membership of the company. Since its inception the role of the company has always been to act as an exemplar of

what can be achieved by partners working together to tackle common problems of poor housing and environment and to help to create communities that are sustainable in the long term. As an exemplar it was intended that other Council's would be able to tap into the knowledge gained to help them turn around similar areas in their districts. It was also intended that to carry on beyond its original life span of 5 years that the company would need to develop its business and to start to become self sufficient. The CEO of Meden Valley Making Places has been developing the business outside the Meden Valley geographical area and this now needs to be formalised, requiring the approval of the founder Members of the Company.

The purpose of this report is therefore to seek Members approval for the Chief Executive Officer to sign a Second Deed of Variation which allows the Company to operate outside the Meden Valley area.

ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

There are no resource implications for the Council either in terms of finance or manpower

IMPLICATIONS

Financial: None

Legal: Signatory to deed of Variation

Human Resources: None

RECOMMENDATION(S) that;

- 1. the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to approve the Deed of Variation in relation to Meden Valley Making Places,**
- 2. the Chief Executive Officer, in conjunction with the Leader, Deputy Leader and Solicitor to the Council, be authorised to approve any changes to the Memorandum and Articles of Association and any related documents of the Company provided that there are no significant implications for the Authority.**

REASON FOR DECISION

To continue working with one of the Council's most important strategic partners

ATTACHMENTS:

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FILE REFERENCE:

None

SOURCE DOCUMENT:

Second Deed of Variation in relation to Meden Valley Making Places