

**Bolsover District Council**

**Executive**

**24<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

**Bolsover Partnership Funding and Performance Monitoring 2018/19  
(including decision in respect of tender for 'Bolsover voluntary community sector  
infrastructure support')**

**Report of the Portfolio Holder - Partnerships and Transformation**

This report is public

**Purpose of the Report**

- The attached report titled 'Bolsover Partnership Funding and Performance Monitoring April 2018 to March 2019' aims to provide a comprehensive overview of the various programmes, initiatives and activities that the Partnership Team has been involved with over the last 12 months and provide a resource document for members, officers and partners.
- This report also recommends the awarding of the contract for 'Bolsover voluntary community sector infrastructure support' to Bassetlaw CVS.

**1 Report Details**

1.1 The attached report contains:

- The financial position of funding streams managed by the Partnership
- An overview of activities such as the One Public Estate, North Derbyshire Transforming Communities Group and the Voluntary Community Sector review
- Progress with commissioning activity via the Public Health Localities funding
- An update on how the Council's Business Growth Fund has been spent and impact
- Progress made through the B@Home Partnership and social value outcomes
- An update on the Building Resilience Programme funded by the Controlling Migration Fund
- How Grants to Voluntary Organisations have been impacting their local communities – the intention is to agree a schedule for organisations funded under this programme to present quarterly to Council
- Progress on the LEADER programme which operates across Bolsover and North East Derbyshire
- Case studies demonstrating the impact of project activity to local people

- Statistical insight highlighting key statistics/trends for the district in respect of the Economy, Education and Skills, and Transport and Access. Future bi-annual reports will focus on different thematic areas aligned to the Action Groups of Bolsover Partnership.

## 1.2 Key achievements highlighted throughout the report, and subsequently include:

- The award of funds from a second tranche of the Controlling Migration Fund from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government totalling £57,571 in 2018/19, with a further £207,361 anticipated in 2019/20.
- Successful application by the Economic Development Team to the Business Rates Retention Pilot for £375,000 to increase the funding allocated to shop front improvements in Shirebrook through the Building Resilience Programme
- The award of £231,000 to Bolsover Partnership from Public Health Localities and Place Based Programme for a two year Derbyshire wide Raising Aspirations programme
- Social value outcomes valued at £2.5m from the Council's investment in the Grants to Voluntary Organisations programme
- 7% Job growth (1,900 jobs) between 2012 and 2017, with logistics and e-commerce being the largest net contributor. Jobs for managers and directors in storage and warehousing are growing in demand.

## **2 Conclusions and Reasons for Recommendation**

- 2.1 The report provides a comprehensive overview of projects, funding and initiatives that the Partnership Team is involved with and aims to provide a resource document for members and officers and to ensure Partnership funding is targeted to best effect.

## **3 Consultation and Equality Impact**

- 3.1 Activities commissioned through the Partnership are consulted upon as part of the commissioning process.

## **4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection**

- 4.1 Options are considered as an integral element of all commissioning processes.

## **5 Implications**

### **5.1 Finance and Risk Implications**

- 5.1.1 As detailed within the report the Partnership Team manages a range of different funding streams. This includes external funding, for example, from Public Health Localities and Place Based budget; Phase 1 and Phase 2 Controlling Migration Fund; as well as internal budgets such as the Business Growth Fund and Grants to Voluntary Organisations Programme. With respect to these funding streams, the Partnership Team are proactive in contingency planning and evolving as necessary. It should be noted that the grant allocated to NEDCAB through the grants to voluntary organisations programme is in addition to funding allocated via HRA funds.

- 5.1.2 Pages 7-8 provides an update on the position with regards the voluntary community sector review and the tender timescales for appointing an organisation to provide operational and strategic support to the sector. Two organisations submitted a bid – Bassetlaw CVS and Erewash Voluntary Action. The tender process has now been concluded and Bassetlaw CVS were the winning organisation (Bassetlaw CVS score 90, Erewash Voluntary Action score 59). Bassetlaw CVS have been providing interim support to the sector during the period of the review and demonstrated robust plans for future delivery. The evaluation panel consisted of representatives of the voluntary community sector, alongside representatives of Bolsover Partnership and Derbyshire County Council. The cost for 12 months is £48,000, to be funded £23,000 from the grants to voluntary organisations budget (previously allocated to Community Voluntary Partners) and £25,000 from Bolsover Partnership resources.
- 5.1.3 A separate paper on Phase 2 of the Business Growth Fund is on the agenda for the 24<sup>th</sup> June 2019 Executive meeting.

**5.2 Legal Implications including Data Protection**

- 5.2.1 The Partnership Team minimises data protection risks by not keeping personal data as part of its agreed monitoring processes. All projects are required to obtain consent for use of case studies/photographs. Contracts/Service level agreements are in place with all providers of activity commissioned by the Partnership Team and activity is monitored quarterly.

**5.3 Human Resources Implications**

- 5.3.1 Not applicable at this stage

**6 Recommendations**

- 6.1 To note the contents of this report and approve the appointment of Bassetlaw CVS to deliver Bolsover Infrastructure support to the voluntary and community sector across Bolsover district for the period July 2019 to August 2020, with option to extend for a further two years.

**7 Decision Information**

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| <p><b>Is the decision a Key Decision?</b><br/> A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds:<br/> <i>BDC:</i>      <i>Revenue - £75,000</i>   <input type="checkbox"/><br/>                   <i>Capital - £150,000</i>   <input type="checkbox"/><br/> <i>NEDDC:</i>   <i>Revenue - £100,000</i>   <input type="checkbox"/><br/>                   <i>Capital - £250,000</i>   <input type="checkbox"/><br/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i></p> | <p>Yes</p> |
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| <b>Is the decision subject to Call-In?</b><br>(Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In) | Yes  |
| <b>Has the relevant Portfolio Holder been informed</b>                                    | Yes  |
| <b>District Wards Affected</b>  | All indirectly   |
| <b>Links to Corporate Plan priorities or Policy Framework</b>                             | Unlocking our Growth Potential<br>Supporting our Communities to be Healthier, Safer, Cleaner and Greener |

## 8 Document Information

| Appendix No  | Title  |
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| 1  | Bolsover Partnership Funding and Performance Monitoring<br>April 2018 – 2019<br><br><b>This document is enclosed separately to the paper copies of the agenda.</b> |
| <b>Background Papers</b> (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet (NEDDC) or Executive (BDC) you must provide copies of the background papers) |  |
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