

Bolsover District Council

Meeting of the Standards Committee on 19th April 2022

Proposal to disestablish New Bolsover Joint Partnership Committee

Report of the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Governance

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PURPOSE/SUMMARY OF REPORT

To recommend to Council that the New Bolsover Joint Partnership Committee is disestablished now the New Bolsover New Beginnings project has come to an end.

REPORT DETAILS

1. Background

- 1.1 The New Bolsover Joint Partnership Committee was established in 2014 in partnership with Derbyshire County Council under section 101 (5) and 102 (1) of the Local Government Act 1972, in order to discharge the functions of those councils in relation to the New Bolsover Heritage Lottery Fund Heritage Grant.
- 1.2 The Committee is not a partnership as defined in section 1 of the Partnership Act 1890 and further the Partnership Committee is a non-profit making group.

2. Details of Proposal or Information

- 2.1 At its meeting held on 17th March 2022, the New Bolsover Joint Partnership Committee received a report by the Assistant Director of Property Services & Housing Repairs, advising that the New Bolsover New Beginnings project was contractually complete and the objectives set out for the project had been met. These objectives were;

- Carry out a full programme of works to restore the architectural uniformity to 194 houses in New Bolsover Model Village,
- Carry out all works to highest conservation standards. Taking advantage learned from the English Heritage pilot at 113 New Bolsover, such as the need for high quality lime mortar pointing,
- Thermal upgrading to council properties to better meet current housing need and demand,
- Internal re-ordering and upgrading of council properties to better meet current housing need and demand,
- Based on best practice elsewhere, devise a package of outreach work, information, advice and support for private owners, including legal advice, so as to encourage and facilitate their participation in the scheme,
- Design a scheme for public realm improvements, for approval by HLF before implementing it,
- Fully involve residents in planning and implementation of the above works. To enable this, and to further build resident involvement, continue to offer support, training and advice to Friends of New Bolsover,
- Deliver the activity plan so as to further develop knowledge and appreciation of the heritage of the new model village. Audiences will include residents, school children, professionals, visitors to Bolsover, students and any others to be identified,
- Throughout the life of the project maximise opportunities of public and professional learning. This will include making available a house or other public building on the new model village.

2.2 Members had requested at the meeting that a clear process be shared with private owners regarding future issues (latent defects only) and that Members were satisfied that a process existed, that private owners were aware of it, and that existing issues were being dealt with appropriately.

2.3 To address this, it was resolved that the Assistant Director of Property Services & Housing Repairs draft a letter to be issued to the Partnership Committee and to include details of who to contact should a latent defect be suspected. Once the letter was signed by the Committee or Chair it would be issued to all private residents.

2.4 Work undertaken to resolve any ongoing issues for private residents would be evidenced to local Members.

2.5 Members had further resolved that as representatives of Friends of New Bolsover had been unable to attend the meeting, a period of 2 months be allowed to let local Members and officers work with Friends of New Bolsover to arrange a venue for them to meet until funds from the Heritage Lottery ceased.

2.6 The Minutes of the New Bolsover Joint Partnership Committee held on 17th March 2022 are attached at Appendix 1.

3. Reasons for Recommendation

3.1 As the New Bolsover New Beginnings project was contractually complete, the objectives set out for the project had been met, and there would be no further

updates relating to the project, it was recommended that the New Bolsover Partnership Committee be disestablished.

4 **Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection**

- 4.1 The Partnership Committee could continue to meet, however, this is rejected as there would be no further updates to report relating to the project.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. That Standards Committee support the disestablishment of the New Bolsover Joint Partnership Committee for the reasons outlined in the report.
2. That Council be recommended to disestablish the New Bolsover Joint Partnership Committee for the reasons outlined in the report.

Approved by Councillor Duncan McGregor, Portfolio Holder for Corporate Governance

IMPLICATIONS:

Finance and Risk: Yes No

Details:
The contract is financially complete and the Finance Team have been previously consulted.
On behalf of the Section 151 Officer

Legal (including Data Protection): Yes No

Details:
The Interim Monitoring Officer has been consulted on this report.
On behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

Staffing: Yes No

Details:
There are no staffing implications arising from this report.
On behalf of the Head of Paid Service

DECISION INFORMATION

<p>Is the decision a Key Decision? 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:</p> <p>Revenue - £75,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Capital - £150,000 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i></p>	No
<p>Is the decision subject to Call-In? (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)</p>	No

District Wards Significantly Affected	Bolsover South
Consultation: Leader / Deputy Leader <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive <input type="checkbox"/> SLT <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Members <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	Details: Members of the New Bolsover Joint Partnership Committee Councillor Duncan McGregor, Portfolio Holder for Corporate Governance

Links to Council Ambition: Customers, Economy and Environment.
This decision links to the following priorities within the Council Ambition: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing good quality council housing where people choose to live. • Enabling Housing Growth: increasing the supply, quality and range of housing to meet the needs of the growing population and support economic growth.

DOCUMENT INFORMATION	
Appendix No	Title
1	Minutes of the New Bolsover Joint Partnership Committee held on 17 th March 2022.

Background Papers
<i>(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 Executive you must provide copies of the background papers).</i>