

Bolsover District Council

Meeting of the Local Growth Scrutiny Committee on Tuesday 21st January 2025

Update on Pleasley Vale Regeneration Project

Report of the Portfolio Holder for Growth

Classification	This report is Public.
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PURPOSE/SUMMARY OF REPORT

- To update Members on activities which have been carried out on site around Pleasley Vale Business Park.

REPORT DETAILS

1. Update

- 1.1. During the last two months, and since the Local Growth Scrutiny Committee (LGSC) held in November, the Executive has approved the appointment of P&D Environmental to complete flood remedial works at Pleasley Vale Business Park. This appointment is based on the scope of works presented to the LGSC previously.
- 1.2. Following a procurement exercise for a full scope of works by the Loss Adjuster's appointed contractor, Monaghans recommended that Dragonfly Development Limited be appointed as the preferred supplier. Dragonfly Development Limited submitted the most cost-effective quote of the three submitted, which was within the initial estimate approved by the Loss Adjuster and they were identified as the most compliant tender with the lowest risk. Executive approved the appointment of Dragonfly Development Limited at the December committee meeting.
- 1.3. Both appointments will mean works can commence early in the new year on both the remediation following storm Babet, and mitigation against future flood events.
- 1.4. The Business Estates Manager and the Facilities Management Team within Dragonfly Development (Management) Limited have worked tirelessly over the last 12-months since the flood event to ensure relationships with tenants have been maintained, services upheld, and pressure put on all parties to bring this to a conclusion. As a result of this, tenant levels have remained constant and revenue streams maintained throughout. The works being able to commence will be welcome news to those tenants directly affected by Storm Babet.

1.5. At its December meeting, the Council approved funds for investment into Pleasley Vale for the schemes identified above as well as additional repairs and works to the mill buildings. The Council further approved a recommendation for Members to delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to establish the post and budget of a Building Surveyor / Contractors Administrator into the Property Services Team of DMBL, to be appointed to manage and oversee the building works and repairs at Pleasley Vale Business Park. This will provide much needed resource to oversee the works on behalf of the district council. The vacancy has been advertised and is now closed to applicants, with shortlisting underway.

1.6. Work is continuing with proposals for the renovation and reuse of the two Gatehouses properties. A pre-construction scope of works has been agreed and officers of the project team and the Council's Conservation Officer have conducted site visits to inform the scope as well as potential end uses.

2.0 Reasons for Recommendation

2.1 The purpose of this report is to update Members on progress.

3.0 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

3.1 This report is for information only. There are no alternative options.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. That members note the contents of the report.

Approved by Councillor John Ritchie Portfolio Holder for Growth

IMPLICATIONS:

Finance and Risk: Yes No

Details:

There are no financial implications arising directly from this report. This report is for information only.

On behalf of the Section 151 Officer

Legal (including Data Protection): Yes No

Details:

There are no legal implication arising from this report. This report is for information only.

On behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

Environment:

Please identify (if applicable) how this proposal/report will help the Authority meet its carbon neutral target or enhance the environment.

Details: the report sets out the work being done to address the risks of flooding within the Vale, and how opportunities to enhance biodiversity and natural flood water management will enhance the environment.

Staffing: Yes No

Details: There are no staffing implication arising from this report. This report is for information only.

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>	<p>No</p>
<p>Is the decision subject to Call-In? <i>(Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)</i></p>	<p>No</p>

<p>District Wards Significantly Affected</p>	<p>Pleasley</p>
<p>Consultation: Leader / Deputy Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Executive <input type="checkbox"/> SLT <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Members <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Details: None</p>

<p>Links to Council Ambition: Customers, Economy and Environment.</p>
<p>Economy - drive growth, promote the district and be business and visitor friendly. Environment - protect the quality of life for residents and businesses, meet environmental challenges and enhance biodiversity</p>

<p>DOCUMENT INFORMATION</p>	
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