

HEYWOOD TOWNSHIP DELEGATED SUB COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING Thursday, 19th October 2017

PRESENT: Councillor Rush (in the Chair); Councillors Beswick, Susan Emmott, Malcolm, McCarthy, O'Rourke, Robinson and Wardle.

OFFICERS: M. Robinson (Assistant Director – Planning and Development), S. Hey, A. Storey, C. Woods (Neighbourhoods Directorate) and P. Thompson (Resources Directorate).

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: One member of the public.

APOLOGIES

8 Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Dutton.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

9 There were no declarations of interests.

URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS

10 There were no items of urgent business for the Sub-Committee to consider.

ITEMS FOR EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

11 There were no items of business that required the public and press to be excluded.

MINUTES

12 The Sub-Committee considered the minutes of its previous meeting held 5th July 2017.

Further to Minute 6 (Heywood Township Funds 2017/18) a Member requested an update on the successful funding application for 'Keep Clear Markings – Waterfold Lane'.

Decision:

That (1) subject to the replacement of the words 'Promenade Street' with the words 'Victoria Street and Manchester Road dropped kerbs' (Minute 6, funding application HTC/07/17), and also top note that funding application HTC/08/17, which referred to Promenade Street, Heywood (a scheme that was deferred pending the approval of North Heywood Ward Members), the Minutes of the meeting of Heywood Township Delegated Funding Sub-Committee held 5th July 2017 be approved as a correct record;
(2) Further to Minute 6 (Heywood Township Funds 2017/18) the Head of Highways be asked to forward details of the funding application: 'Keep Clear Markings – Waterfold Lane' to Councillor McCarthy.

HEYWOOD TOWNSHIP FUNDS 2017/18

13 The Sub-Committee considered the report of the Director of Neighbourhoods which provided an update on revenue and capital expenditure, commitments and balances of Heywood Township Funds 2017/18 and to enable the Sub-Committee to consider the allocation of funds to proposed projects.

Alternatives considered:

In considering the report, Members would consider whether or not to approve the allocation of funds to projects as appropriate.

Decision:

1. That the expenditure, commitments and balances for Heywood Township revenue and capital funds as detailed in Appendix 1, 1A and 2 of the report be noted;
2. That decisions made under delegated authority as detailed in Appendix 3 of the report be noted;
3. That it be noted that the Townships and Communities Manager has assessed proposed projects to be considered for funding against the criteria of eligibility for the Heywood Township Fund, the priorities of the Township and that any specific risks had been identified in the report;
4. That the applications for Township Funds be dealt with as follows:-

Application	Decision
HTC/06/17 – Berwick Close Grass Verge Replacement	To approve an allocation of £25,500 from the Township Capital Fund 2017/18
HTC/07/17 – Victoria Street and Manchester Road Dropped Kerbs	The Sub-Committee noted that the works had already been carried out therefore the funding application had been withdrawn
HTC/09/17 – Sandon House, Community Centre Insulation Upgrade	To approve an allocation of £4,000 from the Township Capital Fund 2017/18
HTC/12/17 – Adam Street/Green Lane Junction: Waiting Restrictions	To approve an allocation of £4,500 from the Township Capital Fund 2017/18

5. The Townships and Communities Manager, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Sub-Committee, be granted delegated authority to make decisions on any deferred projects.

Reason for decision:

Management of the Heywood Township Fund is a function that has been delegated to the Heywood Township Delegated Sub Committee. Heywood Township Funds are allocated to projects that benefit the Township's community and environment and which will realise the Township priorities.

The report will also help to enable the Sub-Committee to monitor and review the use of the Heywood Township's Fund and to ensure the continued efficient and effective use of that Fund.

Eligible for call in - yes

SECTION 106 AGREEMENTS/DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS

14 The Sub-Committee received a report and a presentation, of the Assistant Director (Planning and Development) on Section 106 Planning Agreements and the suggested process for the Township to identify potential schemes for the funding that was available.

The meeting was advised that there were 'three tests' for any contribution which were:

- a. the necessity to make the development acceptable in planning terms;
- b. that the proposal directly related to the development; and
- c. that the Section 106 Agreement fairly and reasonably relates in scale and kind to the proposed development.

From 1st April 2015 the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations had been tightened to restrict the pooling of more than five contributions to any specific piece of infrastructure. The Local Planning Authority were required to identify the use of any monies prior to planning permission being with commuted sum payments limited to 'major' developments and that Section 106 discussions were now encouraged to form part of pre application process, provide greater developer certainty.

The Sub-Committee were advised of the section 106 formal sport projects compiled for the Township using the Playing Pitch strategy and other projects previously identified by Councillors and Sports Governing Bodies. Members of the Council had been requested to provide any comments they may have with regard to these schemes by no later than 30th October 2017.

The Sub-Committees were also informed that matters relating to formal sport and affordable housing Section 106 agreements would be considered by the Cabinet and that matters relating to the local open space agreements within Heywood Township were to be brought forward for consideration by future meetings of the Heywood Township Delegated Sub-Committee.

Decision:

That the presentation be noted.

Eligible for Call-in: No.