



SHAFTESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

Development Economic Development Advisory Committee group

Minutes of the Development Economic Development Advisory Committee group held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, High Street, Shaftesbury Dorset SP7 8LY on Wednesday, 31 October 2018 commencing at 2PM.

Members Present

Jackie Upton King
Jemma Ricketts
Tim Edwyn Jones
Keri Jones

Julia Markus
Anna McDowell
Bill Walsh
David Perry

Absent:

Norman King, Kirsty Schmidt

Officers Present:

Brie Logan, Business Manager

In Attendance:

Councillors Lewer and Taylor.
1 Member of the Press
1 Member of the Public

MINUTES

Public Participation

Members of the public were invited to make representations to the Committee on any matters relating to the work of the Council or to raise any issues of concern. The following matters were raised:

Is EDAC a Council Committee ?

ED01 Apologies

Apologies received from Norman King

ED02 Declarations of interest

Members and Officers are reminded of their obligations to declare interests in accordance with the Code of Conduct 2012. - None were received

ED03 Election of chairman and vice chairman

The Chairman of the Economic Development Advisory Committee was elected – Jackie Upton King – proposed by Julia Markus and seconded by Bill Walsh (unanimous)

The Vice Chair was elected – Jemma Ricketts – proposed by Keri Jones and seconded by Bill Walsh (unanimous)

ED04 Advisory committee members for 2018 – 2019

To formally agree who the Economic Development Advisory Committee members are:

1. Jackie Upton King MBE– Twenty years of Community Regeneration experience, currently Hon.Sec. Secretary of the Civic Society
2. Jemma Ricketts – Owner of Enchanted Plants and business entrepreneur
3. Tim Edwyn Jones – Chartered Surveyor and Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan
4. David Perry – Owner of Shaftesbury Wines and Chair of the Chamber of Commerce
5. Keri Jones – Journalist and owner of ‘This is Alfred’
6. Julia Markus – Business Outreach Officer – adult education
7. Anna McDowell – Chair of Swan’s Trust and business owner of Dorset Buttons
8. Bill Walsh – Property Developer
9. Norman King – Property Developer
10. Kirsty Schmidt – Manager of the Grosvenor Arms

ED05 Terms of reference

Signed copies obtained by each member and hard copies held as records at the Town Hall.

ED06 PROJECT BELLE update and next steps

A summary of progress to date was provided and a high level indicative approach was presented. The formality of approach will be dependent on outcome of feasibility study and formal outcome of the decision that needs to be made by Council by the end of November.

Recommendation to Full council:

1. To consider the development of a bid working with various technical partners, EDAC members and Business Manager to conduct a high level feasibility study. The study will include: formal valuation including rent and capital value, economic development advice via nominated consultant, risk evaluation, build costs (needed from QS and architects) in advance of the bid proposal options being presented to full council for a decision by the 30th November.

2. To approve the Economic Development Advisory Committee members for 2018/ 2019
3. To consider the need to carry out a community consultation exercise before the end of November as part of application process for funding.
4. To consider for adoption the Terms of Reference for the Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDAC)

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 3.30pm.

Signed

Date