ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

25th January 2018

PRESENT:-

Conservative Group

Councillor Watson (Chairman), Councillor MacPherson (Vice-Chairman) and Councillors Billings, Mrs Brown, Mrs Coe (substituting for Councillor Roberts), Coe, Mrs Hall, Mrs Patten and Wheeler

Labour Group

Councillors Chahal, Dunn, Taylor and Tilley

EDS/77 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received from Councillor Roberts (Conservative Group).

EDS/78 MINUTES

The Open Minutes of the Meeting held on 16th November 2017 were noted, approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

EDS/79 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Committee was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

EDS/80 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 10

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Public had been received.

EDS/81 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

EDS/82 **REPORTS OF THE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

There were no Overview and Scrutiny Reports to be submitted.

MATTERS DELEGATED TO COMMITTEE

EDS/83 <u>ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION SERVICE: SERVICE DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL</u>

The Environmental Development Manager presented the report to Committee.

Members commended and congratulated officers for securing the funding of £55,890.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 Members approved, in principle, a grant offer from Veolia UK of £55,890 towards the cost of £69,862 for a project to install dipping platforms and science related play facilities at Rosliston Forestry Centre.
- 1.2 Members supported the applications to finance the funding shortfall.
- 1.3 That the financial implications and in particular the risk regarding the future funding of projects associated with the Environmental Education Service are referred to the Finance and Management Committee.

EDS/84 **SOUTH DERBYSHIRE ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT 2016-17 AND INFRASTRUCTURE DELIVERY PLAN UPDATE**

The Planning Policy Officer presented the report to Committee, outlining the Annual Monitoring Report and the Infrastructure Delivery Plan.

Members raised queries and comments relating to sewage systems, new development, affordable housing and the growing pressures placed on the transport network. Members commented on proposed methods by which pressures on the transport network could be reduced due to the new developments. Members suggested that by re-opening the former railway line between Burton and Leicester would open avenues of transport to and from Birmingham and Leicester through South Derbyshire.

Councillor Dunn requested an update on the Walton Bridge. The Chairman agreed that a report be presented at the next meeting updating Members.

It was suggested that the monitoring report be submitted to Committee each year prior to its publication on the Council's website, a proposal accepted by Committee.

RESOLVED:

- 1.1 Members noted the scope and content of the Authority Monitoring Report (AMR), collated to provide information on the performance of the policies in the Adopted Part 1 and Part 2 Local Plans and provide and update on the preparation of other planning documents being bought forward by the Council.
- 1.2 Members authorised that the factual update of the monitoring report be submitted to the Committee on an annual basis, prior to its publication on the Council's website by the 31 December each year.

1.3 Members noted the updates to the Council's Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP) and authorised its publication on the Council's website.

EDS/85 **FUTURE OF LOCAL PLANNING**

The Planning Policy officer presented the report to Committee.

RESOLVED:

Members endorsed continuation of joint working with the Council's Derby HMA partners, to explore the potential of an overarching joint strategy / plan, liaising where necessary with other neighbouring local authorities.

EDS/86 **COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

RESOLVED:

Members considered and approved the updated work programme.

EDS/87 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

RESOLVED:-

That, in accordance with Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it would be likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraphs of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets after each item.

MINUTES

The Exempt Minutes of the Meeting held on the on 16th November 2017 were received.

EXEMPT QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO 11

The Committee were informed that no exempt questions from Members of the Council had been received.

The meeting terminated at 6.45pm.

COUNCILLOR P WATSON