

URGENCY ITEMS - MINUTE OF DECISION

Delegation arrangements for dealing with matters of urgency

Paragraph 7.2.1 of the Council's Constitution provides that Chief Officers may take urgent decisions if they are of the opinion that circumstances exist which make it necessary for action to be taken by the Council prior to the time when such action could be approved through normal Council Procedures. They shall, where practicable, first consult with the Leader and Chairman (or in their absence the Vice-Chairman) and the Opposition Spokesperson of the appropriate committee.

Subject:

Transfer of S106 Monies for Integrated Transport Contribution along the A1133 Transport Corridor to the Friends of Trent Vale Trail

Appropriate Committees:

Policy & Finance

Background

Planning approval was granted to develop a housing scheme at Pitomy Farm in Collingham and an Integrated Transport Contribution (ITC) of £24,755.63 was secured through the Section 106 agreement. The wording of the obligation is as follows:-

'The owner shall pay to the Council the Integrated Transport Contribution being a contribution towards integrated transport measures along the A1133 Transport Corridor to provide motorists with an alternative means of transport to the car and help to achieve modal transfer targets as set out in the Local Transport Plan such measures to be carried out by either the Council or Nottinghamshire County Council as highway authority.'

The District Council has been in discussion with the Friends of Trent Vale Trail (TVT) and various partners including Nottinghamshire County Council regarding the phased delivery of the TVT to create a safe and active transport route along the River Trent which will eventually create a seamless link connecting Newark to villages including Winthorpe, Collingham, Besthorpe and Girton to provide an alternative transport corridor to the busy A1133 and in doing so open up a route for recreation, leisure and tourism opportunities and activities.

A significant section of the route has been delivered already with support from various funding partners including the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Developments through the Leader fund and the next phase of the scheme is due to commence in early September. In order to deliver the next phase Nottinghamshire County Council has confirmed that the ITC can be passed to the Friends of Trent Vale Trail to enable the next phase of the project to progress and accordingly and has asked that the District Council facilitate this intention by passing the contribution to the Friends of TVT under a side agreement.

Proposal

That the ITC of £24,755.63, secured through the Pitomy Farm Section 106 Development Agreement AG863 (a and b), be passed to Friends of TVT under an appropriately worded side agreement as a contribution to the next phase of the TVT which will commence in early September 2021.

That the £24,755.63 be added to the Council's Capital Programme to facilitate the payment to the Friends of Trent Vale Trail in line with the signed side agreement, which outlines the above project for the avoidance of doubt.

Equalities Implications

There are no adverse equalities implications associated with this decision.

Financial Implications (FIN21-22/6603)

The S106 monies referred to above are available to be spent. As the expenditure is capital in nature a relevant budget will need to be added to the Capital Programme, financed by the S106 receipts from agreement reference AG863 (a and b).

Decision

That a budget be set up in the Capital Programme for £24,755.63, financed by the Integrated Transport Contribution in S106 Agreement reference AG863 (a and b).

Reason for Decision

To enable a payment to be made to Friends of Trent Vale Trail in a timely manner in line with other funding partners to avoid any unnecessary delays and to move the project forward.

Members Consulted:

Cllr. David Lloyd

Chairman – P&F Committee & Leader of the Council

Consulted 02/09/2021

Cllr. Keith Girling

Vice Chairman – P&F Committee & Deputy Leader

Consulted 02/09/2021

Cllr. Paul Peacock

Opposition Spokesperson- P&F Committee

Consulted 02/09/2021

Cllr. Maureen Dobson

Local Ward Member

Consulted 02/09/2021

Cllr. Linda Dales

Local Ward Member

Consulted 02/09/2021

Signed:



Matt Lamb

Director – Planning & Growth

Date: 10 September 2021