

In accordance with Section 100(B)(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972, the Chairman has agreed to take this item as a late item of business in order to agree the financial support to the World War 1 Memorial project. The reason for the urgency is that the total funding for this project needs to be agreed in order to complete the memorial by November 2018; in time for the 100 year anniversary commemoration. The request for funding was not received until 1 February 2018, and agreement, in principle, from the other 6 Nottinghamshire District/Borough councils was not received until 19 February 2018.

## **WORLD WAR I ROLL OF HONOUR MEMORIAL**

### **1.0 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 To seek approval from Committee to make a contribution of £10,000 to the World War I Memorial, to be completed by November 2018; in time for the 100 year anniversary commemoration.

### **2.0 Background Information**

- 2.1 Newark and Sherwood District Councils, together with the other 6 Nottinghamshire District/Borough Councils have been approached by Nottingham City Council to make a financial contribution towards the cost of the WWI Roll of Honour Memorial which will bring the names of all Nottinghamshire war dead to a single point at Victoria Embankment. This memorial will also cover other disasters such as the Chilwell Disaster and will include civilian deaths.
- 2.2 The memorial, which is scheduled to be completed by November 2018, has an estimated cost of £300,000. Nottinghamshire County Council and Nottingham City Council have pledged £100,000 each along with officer time to procure and manage the project's delivery. A further £30,000 is anticipated from charitable bodies, leaving a shortfall in funding of £70,000. Nottingham City Council, as the lead authority, has written to this Council (and the other 6 District/Borough Councils) requesting a contribution of £10,000 each. It was agreed by the respective Chief Executives of the 7 Districts/Boroughs that the Districts/Boroughs needed to reach a consensus regarding contributions to ensure parity. The other 6 District/Borough Councils have now agreed, in principle, to make the contribution of £10,000 each. This contribution would give Newark & Sherwood District Council a seat on the Project Board.

### **3.0 Proposals**

- 3.1 To support the contribution of £10,000, subject to Nottinghamshire County Council and Nottingham City Council each contributing £100,000 and the other 6 Nottinghamshire Districts/Boroughs each contributing £10,000 .

### **4.0 Equalities Implications**

- 4.1 There are no direct equality implications.

## **5.0 Impact on Budget/Policy Framework**

5.1 The contribution of £10,000, if agreed, will be a one-off payment and will be funded from reserves.

## **6.0 Comments of Director**

6.1 The contribution of £10,000 will be in parity with the contributions from the other 6 District Councils and will give Newark & Sherwood District Council a place on the Project Board.

## **7.0 RECOMMENDATIONS that Policy & Finance Committee:**

(a) approve the contribution of £10,000, subject to Nottinghamshire County Council and Nottingham City Council each contributing £100,000 and the other 6 Nottinghamshire Districts/Boroughs contributing £10,000 each; and

(b) the contribution of £10,000 be funded from reserves

## **Reason for Recommendations**

**The financial contribution of £10,000 will assist in meeting the funding gap and enable the establishment of the war memorial**

## **Background Papers**

Letter from Nottingham City Council, dated 1 February 2018

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