

Title: Economic Development Engagement Group

Date: 05.12.17

Present:

Cllr. Patel (Chair)	Keith McGroary	
Cllr. Harvey	Tracey Carter	
Cllr. Francis	Andy Willmott	
Cllr. Capes	Mike Ramlakhan	

Apologies:

Heather Morgan	Cllr. Barratt	Alex Doisneau
Cllr. Barnard	Cllr. Rybinski	Sevinc Burt

Next Steps

No.	Action from previous meeting	\odot	
1	Send instructions and link to join SBF mailing list to all Councillors.	TC	By 4/10/17
2	Ask Legal and Nick Cummings to review Thameside House lease re maintenance obligations. Nick Cummings is speaking to the leaseholder about their obligations and we'll update the Group on progress at the next meeting.	HM	Report back at next meeting
3	Review safety of 1 London Rd site and its future. HM spoke to Building Control who have said that "although the building has been lying empty for many years it cannot be considered to be a 'dangerous structure'. Admittedly it's in a dilapidated condition but the site is secure and presents no form of danger to the public". As to its future, it is not within the red line application site for the Staines Central site which means that this development can be implemented without taking down the building. However, HM is aware that the owners of Staines Central (Aberdeen Standard Life) have been negotiating to buy for a number of years but the owner has completely	ΗM	Report back at next meeting

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	unrealistic expectations. Separately, as a Council, we need to decide if there is any action we need to take. It is likely to be included amongst a number other 'problem sites' across the borough that will come under a corporate cross cutting project called 'Every Ward at its best'.		
4	Propose projects appropriate for Enterprise M3 funding bids – This is to be a regular item on the agenda to capture any bright ideas.	All	Prior to next meeting
5	Prepare Sunbury Cross improvements to off the shelf stage ready for Enterprise M3 funding applications. This is one which needs to be discussed with Ann Biggs and the Joint Committee. One for the list when EM3 have their resource in place to help us pull some of these schemes together. We do not have the budget or expertise to pull this together from scratch	HM/ EcDev	
6	Propose ideas to Councillors of what future could look like for 4 towns in Borough based on local business group proposals. Spoke with LSBF who are still considering. Invitation to attend the Ashford Chamber meeting after Xmas. Shepperton do not now have a business group; Staines has the BID proposal setting out its plans.	KMcG	Update for next meeting
7	Continue review of lights/ road system in Staines and identify funding source and idea of project cost. This has also been taken up by Daniel with work that has already taken place and further work planned for the future. £30k granted by the Joint Committee (post this meeting) to carry out the research.	Cllr. Barratt / KMcG	Report next meeting
8	Review how much CIL money expected to come in. We have so far received £907,099.79 through CIL, and have issued Demand Notices to a value of £1.630m	HM	Report next meeting
9	Develop photo bank of key images of Borough. Investigate photography / video competition possibly in conjunction with Brooklands College, Adult Education and display winners locally, possibly in Elmsleigh Centre. Competition is being launched in Jan / Feb	TC	Report next meeting
10	Book ticket to MIPIM for Cllr. Patel Done	KMcG	Done
11	Review structure of EDEG and composition of membership. Possible inclusion of representatives from business. Done. Business include Andy Willmott (Surrey Chambers of Commerce); Mike Ramlakhan (SBF); Alex Doisneau (DNATA); Sevinc Burt (Worldwide Energy Logistics)	Cllrs. Patel and Harvey, KMcG	Prior to next meeting
12	Send details of apologies given for today's meeting to Cllr. Harvey Done	K McG	By 6/10/17

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Actions from meeting 5 th December 2017		
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To receive updates with regards to work to improve traffic congestion in Staines (traffic lights system).	KM / RB	
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