#### CABINET

Venue: Town Hall, Moorgate Date: Wednesday, 7 November 2012

Street, Rotherham. S60

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Time: 10.30 a.m.

#### AGENDA

# **Notice of Urgent Decisions**

- 1. To consider questions from Members of the Public.
- 2. To determine if the following matters are to be considered under the categories suggested in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972.
- 3. To determine any item which the Chairman is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency.
- 4. Declarations of Interest.
- 5. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 17th October, 2012 (copy supplied separately)
- 6. Minutes of a meeting of the Groundworks Trusts Panel held on 10th October, 2012 (herewith) (Pages 2 7)
  - Strategic Director of Environment and Development Services to report.
- 7. EU Funding and Priorities for the 2014-20 Programme (report herewith) (Pages 8 12)
  - Strategic Director of Resources to report.
- 8. Rotherham's Olympic Legacy Project Project Update and Next Steps (report herewith) (Pages 13 25)
  - Strategic Director of Resources to report.
- 9. Connect to Support (report herewith) (Pages 26 31)
  - Strategic Director of Resources to report.
- 10. Corporate Risk Register (report herewith) (Pages 32 41)
  - Strategic Director of Resources to report.

- 11. Rationalisation of the Property Portfolio: Chislett Youth and Community Centre (report herewith) (Pages 42 47)
  - Strategic Director of Resources to report.
- 12. Exclusion of the Press and Public.

The following item is likely to be considered in the absence of the press and public as being exempt under Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended March 2006) (information relates to finance and business affairs).

- 13. Rationalisation of the Property Portfolio Land adjacent to 22 Wheatley Road Kilnhurst (report herewith)\* (Pages 48 52)
  - Strategic Director of Resources to report.

In accordance with Section (7) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board has agreed that those items marked (\*) contain decisions which need to be acted upon as a matter of urgency and which cannot be reasonably deferred (see notice attached)

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Take notice, in accordance with Regulation 5 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, that the following report is to be considered in the private part of the meeting without having provided the required twenty-eight days' notice:-

- Land adjacent to 22 Wheatley Road, Kilnhurst, Rotherham.
- An exemption under paragraph 3 (Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)) of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 is requested, as this report concerns information relating to the disposal of a Council asset.
- The report recommends that a decision be taken that will enable negotiation regarding the disposal of the asset to take place forthwith. Accordingly the report needs to be considered as a matter of urgency.

The Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board has agreed that the meeting is urgent and cannot reasonably be deferred.

Jacqueline Collins
Director of Legal and Democratic Services
29<sup>th</sup> October, 2012.

# **ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS**

1.	Meeting:	CABINET
2.	Date:	7 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2012
3.	Title:	GROUNDWORK TRUSTS PANEL – MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 10 <sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2012
4.	Directorate:	ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

# 5. Summary

Minutes of the quarterly meetings with the Groundwork Trusts Panel are submitted to Cabinet for consideration.

## 6. Recommendation:-

That the minutes of the meeting of the Groundwork Trusts Panel held on 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2012, be received, and the continued excellent partnership work of both Groundwork Trusts be noted.

# 7. Proposals and Details

The Panel was established in March 2000 to provide a forum to discuss the on-going partnership between the Council and the two Groundwork Trusts in pursuit of the economic, social and environmental regeneration of the Borough.

The two Groundwork Trusts – Groundwork Dearne Valley and Groundwork Creswell - are able to use the quarterly meetings to raise and discuss issues with Councillors and officers.

The Groundwork Trusts make an important contribution to the regeneration of the Borough and to individual local communities. The Groundwork Trusts Panel provides an important opportunity to exchange ideas and experiences, and coordinate actions to maximise impact and efficiency.

# 8. Finance

A small fund was established to enable community groups to access third party funding in support of WREN bids. The partnership working arrangements with the two Trusts enables the delivery of a wide range of projects and initiatives.

#### 9. Risks and Uncertainties

Without the partnership working with the two Trusts many community based and environmental projects would not be able to be delivered.

Risk that funding for projects may be withdrawn and future funding sources may not be found.

Constraints on budgets of both Groundworks Trusts and the Council.

#### 10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

Sustainability is the heart of the work and operations of the two Groundwork Trusts. The Council and Groundwork Dearne Valley jointly fund a Local Action 21 officer for example.

The joint working of the Council and the Groundwork Trusts provides effective environmental protection, addresses social needs and creates employment opportunities for local people.

## 11. Background Papers and Consultation

A copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Groundwork Trusts Panel held on 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2012, is attached.

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# GROUNDWORKS TRUSTS PANEL WEDNESDAY, 10TH OCTOBER, 2012

Present:- Councillors Andrews, Rushforth, Smith and Swift.

together with:- Jamie Ferneyhough, Janet Johnson and Rob Saw (Groundwork Dearne Valley) and Caralynn Gale (Groundwork Creswell, Ashfield and Mansfield and Crestra Limited)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Akhtar, Clark and Sharman and from Alan Hartley (Groundwork Dearne Valley).

# 7. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

In the absence of the Deputy Leader, it was agreed that Councillor Rushforth be appointed Chair of this meeting

(Councillor Rushforth in the Chair)

## 8. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 18TH JULY, 2012

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 18th July, 2012 were agreed as a correct record.

## 9. QUARTERLY REPORT - GROUNDWORK CRESWELL

Caralynn Gale, Groundwork Creswell, Ashfield and Mansfield and Crestra Limited reported on the quarterly progress of the various projects for the period 1<sup>st</sup> July to 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2012, which included:-

- : partnership working with CTS Training on the Foundation Learning Programme;
- : apprenticeships centred upon young people not in employment, education or training (NEETs);
- : the Youth Contract: Groundwork UK has been successful in winning a major Government programme aimed at supporting 16 and 17 year old NEETs (possible support for organisations in the Rotherham Borough area)
- : progress with various construction projects (eg: at Maltby and at Treeton).

Agreed:- That the contents of the report be noted and the progress being made be welcomed.

#### 10. QUARTERLY REPORT - GROUNDWORK DEARNE VALLEY

Janet Johnson, Jamie Fernyhough and Rob Saw, Groundwork Dearne Valley, reported on the progress of projects for the period 1st July to 30th September,

2012, set out in detail as part of the report, which included:-

# (a) Neighbourhood Regeneration:

- : Coronation Park match funding secured from the Maltby Town Council to complement the Britvic funding to purchase gymnasium equipment;
- : Coronation Park Artwork the Maltby in Colour project competition has been launched though the primary schools in Maltby;
- : Bramley Skate Park continuing work with the young people and project partners to implement the Skate Park project; the Biffa award funding has been unsuccessful, although other possible sources of funding are being investigated.

# (b) Community Well-Being:

- : continued to develop and deliver the Cleaner Greener Litter Project in various locations in the Rotherham Borough area;
- : continuing work with Maltby Town Council on the Maltby Neighbourhood Plan project (especially in the Birks Holt housing estate);
- : community work in Anston and in Woodsetts.

# (c) Projects involving Young People:

- : continuing delivery of the Turning the Corner project, working on numerous interventions throughout the Borough area (eg: Alpine Shops at Rockingham; Young Creations project; art murals at St. John's Green, Kimberworth Park and at the Swinton Fitzwilliam estate);
- : further development of the Brampton BMX project involving Brampton Bierlow Parish Council; continuing to support the development of Brampton BMX club and oversee coaching activities with young people;
- : Rotherham BMX Club (based near Winterhill Comprehensive School, Kimberworth) preparation of a funding application to Sport England;
- : the development of Skate Park Jams at Rawmarsh, Maltby and Brinsworth, through the Spots v Stripes programme.

# (d) Cadbury Spots v Stripes:

: this programme has finished at the end of this quarter (July-September 2012); there has been a busy summer with eighteen events taking place across the Rotherham Borough, including three very successful skate park events and two very worthwhile visits to Dementia Cafes operated by the Alzheimer's Society.

## (e) Dearne Valley Eco-Vision:

- : delivery of Community Engagement functions on behalf of S .. C.. R...?
- : development of activities around the Hidden Gems project;
- : further Community Champions recruited from the Dearne Valley College
- : good progress with the Community Food Growing project.

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# (f) Local Food:

: continuing delivery of the Rotherham in Root campaign and progressed a number of initiatives to raise awareness.

# (g) Biodiversity:

: bat survey work completed with suggestions for improvements to the habitat.

# (h) Health Activity:

- : discussions held with Rotherham's Walking Action Group to establish a new Healthy Walking group in Wath upon Dearne, to continue from the Eco-Vision Hidden Gems project;
- : a staff member has attended a Walk Leader training course, to be able to set up some Healthy Walks; links made with the Wath Hidden Gems Walk, to arrange the first walk;
- continued discussion and involvement with the Rotherham Adult Service Consortium about the way in which Groundwork Dearne Valley may support the delivery of activities after approval of the bid to NHS Rotherham to reduce visits to the Accident and Emergency Unit.
- : attendance at the 'Meet the teem The VCS Advisors' session to discuss in detail possible Groundwork Derane Valley involvement in the project;
- : continue to support Rotherham Heart Town initiatives.

#### (i) Green Infrastructure:

- :Key Green Space Development continued to support the Friends of Greenlands Park in North Anston.
- : M&S@myurbangreen a small amount of progress during this quarter as it hasn't been the right time of year for vegetation clearance.

#### (j) Volunteering:

: continue actively to seek and recruit volunteers into numerous roles within the Trust.

# (k) Rotherham ESF 14 - 19 Funded Activity:

- : continued delivery to both the 14-16 and 16-18 programmes.
- : in accordance with the Government's regulations, apprentices may become employees of Groundwork Dearne Valley; costs and possible sources of funding are being assessed.

## (I) Alternative Curriculum Activity:

: continuing to work towards horticultural qualifications in partnership with local comprehensive schools;

: undertaking bicycle maintenance training with local schools.

: involvement in the Government Department for Education's National Citizen Service partnership with the Football League Trust; a South Yorkshire-wide social action and volunteering project for young people; there have been early discussion with Rotherham's Youth Service.

Agreed:- That the contents of the report be noted and the progress being made be welcomed.

#### 11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Members were informed of the following matters:-

- (1) Availability of lap-top computers at the Treeton IT suite, a joint project with Treeton Parish Council in support of young people not in employment, education or training (NEETs).
- (2) the brokering of an agreement between Groundwork Creswell, Groundwork Dearne Valley and Groundwork Sheffield, which will better delineate the geographical areas in which they work; Elected Members will be informed in due course.

## 12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Groundworks Trusts Panel be held at the Town Hall, Rotherham on Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2013, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

# **ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL - REPORT**

1.	Meeting:	Cabinet
2.	Date:	7th November 2012
3.	Title:	EU Funding and Priorities for the 2014-20 Programme
4.	Directorate:	Resources

# 5. Summary

The report provides an update on the new EU structural funds programme for 2014-20, outlining the consultation process and timescales, setting out the links to city region initiatives, and inviting discussion on how EU funding could be utilised to help deliver council priorities.

#### 6. Recommendations

- Note the consultation process instigated by government for the new programme
- Note the broad objectives for the structural funds and other EU programmes and consider how this might provide scope to help deliver council priorities
- Request a further report following publication of the government's formal consultation on the UK partnership agreement (likely to be spring 2013)

# 7. Proposals and Details

# Background

The evolution of the next structural funds programme (2014-20) is complex, with negotiations and lobbying continuing at EU and national level. In our area, leaders have agreed to approach this as a city region, with EU funding ideally contributing to an investment fund that will help to deliver a (yet to be developed) Sheffield city region economic growth strategy.

Government is currently consulting informally, via a series of regional workshops, on priorities for the programme. This will feed into a national partnership agreement setting out how the UK will use the funds to help deliver the *Europe 2020* goals of smart, green and inclusive growth.

The amount of funding we are likely to receive for 2014-20 largely hinges on whether the proposed category of *transition regions* is created (as seems likely) and – if so – whether South Yorkshire qualifies based on our GDP in relation to the EU average.

If South Yorkshire does become a transition region, the EC's latest funding proposals suggest that we could be entitled to significantly more funding than the approx £320m ringfenced for South Yorkshire in the current ERDF/ESF programmes (2007-13), but this is far from guaranteed.

# Funding priorities and delivery

The following broad funding objectives are set out in the EC's common strategic framework:

- Strengthening research, technological development and innovation;
- Enhancing access to and use and quality of information and communication technologies;
- Enhancing the competitiveness of small and medium-sized enterprises;
- Supporting the shift towards a low-carbon economy in all sectors;
- o Promoting climate change adaptation, risk prevention and management;
- Protecting the environment and promoting resource efficiency;
- Promoting sustainable transport and removing bottlenecks in key network infrastructures:
- Promoting employment and supporting labour mobility;
- Promoting social inclusion and combating poverty;
- o Investing in education, skills and lifelong learning;
- o Enhancing institutional capacity and an efficient public administration.

Within these themes, at least 80% of ERDF will need to be spent on:

- Innovation and R&D
- Support to SMEs
- Low carbon economy

ICT/broadband is a possible fourth category, whilst there is also a focus on "sustainable urban development".

A minimum of 20% of national ESF allocations will need to focus on combating poverty and social exclusion. Within ESF, there is also likely to be a strong emphasis on:

- Tackling youth unemployment
- o Promoting active and healthy ageing
- Supporting the most disadvantaged groups and marginalised communities such as Roma
- Increased involvement of VCS organisations in delivery

It seems likely that DCLG and DWP will continue to manage ERDF and ESF respectively, with a tension apparent between the somewhat conflicting aims of simplification (which could be read as national programmes) and localism.

Encouragingly though, there is a commitment to look at greater alignment or integration of ERDF and ESF, which would provide scope to better connect jobs growth with skills programmes.

As mentioned above, the aim is to pursue a city region approach in our area, channelling funds – where possible - through the proposed investment fund, which will also capture devolved UK government funding for transport as part of the *city deal*. This approach should prevent spending priorities being distorted by the need to identify match funding, which would already be in place as part of the fund.

One way of achieving a city region programme may be through an "integrated territorial investment". This is a new mechanism that will allow a "designated territory" to deliver a package of actions – ideally combining ERDF and ESF eligible activity – based on an agreed strategy for that territory.

Finally, it should be noted that the next programme is likely to see a further shift towards the use of loan-based financial instruments for ERDF.

#### Consultation

BIS released an informal consultation paper in the spring and are now carrying out a series of regional workshops for local authorities and other stakeholders. Relevant feedback from the informal consultation and a local consultation event held last month in Doncaster has been incorporated into this report.

The final workshop for local partners will take place in Wakefield on 5th December 2012, with senior representatives from BIS, DCLG and DWP attending.

Only one representative is invited per local authority and the council's regeneration manager is due to attend. It is important that this meeting is used to clearly set out local priorities, including specific proposals where possible.

We are expecting that formal consultation on the national partnership agreement will take place next spring.

# Other EU funding

In addition to the structural funds, there are numerous smaller scale, but still significant, EU funds based on "framework programmes" for specific policy areas:

- Competitiveness and Innovation this incorporates Intelligent Energy Europe, ICT Policy Support, SME Entrepreneurship and Innovation, and a new programme called COSME (Competitiveness of enterprises and SMEs)
- Social Change and Innovation this includes; PROGRESS, which supports policy development in relation to labour markets and working conditions; EURES Network, which promotes the free movement of workers by providing support for job hunting across the EU; and European Progress Microfinance Facility, which provides access to finance for unemployed or disadvantaged people, or those at risk of redundancy, to help them become self-employed.
- Lifelong Learning due to be incorporated into "Erasmus for All" for the 2014-20 period, this programme includes: Comenius for schools, Erasmus for higher education, Leonardo da Vinci for vocational education and training, and Grundtvig for adult education.
- Erasmus for All the new programme for education, training, youth and sport. The broad aim is to improve skills and employability by providing opportunities for learning within the EU and beyond, as well as supporting policy reform and cooperation projects between different bodies and sectors.
- o **LIFE** supporting EU environmental policy.
- INTERREG funding for inter-regional cooperation and sharing of experience and best practice across Europe to help deliver programmes for jobs and growth.
- Horizon 2020 this will fund EU research and innovation activity (replacing the imaginatively titled "Framework Programme 7") focusing on three priorities: excellent science, competitive industry and better society.

Whilst offering further opportunities and clearly aligning well with council priorities, accessing these funds can be labour intensive, requiring match funding to be secured and – usually – the identification of trans-national partners.

#### 8. Finance

There are no direct financial applications arising from this paper. Where EU funding objectives align with council priorities, there may be opportunities to secure funding to support continued and/or enhanced service delivery in relevant areas.

#### 9. Risks and Uncertainties

It is important that the council engages in the ongoing structural funds consultation process and related city region workstreams so that we can secure the best deal for Rotherham and the sub region as part of the 2014-20 programme.

As was the case with the current 2007-13 programme and Objective 1 before it, it seems likely that the programme will not be ready to start on time (i.e. from January 2014) due to ongoing EU budget negotiations and the convoluted process of agreeing and establishing priorities and administrative and delivery structures.

In order to minimise the risk of not meeting annual spend targets early in the programme, we need to ensure that projects have been identified and proposals are ready to be submitted as soon as the programme opens.

# 10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

EU funding is focused on the following Europe 2020 goals and, as such, has the potential to contribute to a wide range of economic, social and environmental policy objectives:

- o smart growth innovation, education, digital society
- o green growth climate, energy and mobility; competitiveness
- o inclusive growth employment and skills; fighting poverty

# 11. Background Papers and Consultation

BIS informal consultation on structural funds partnership agreement Government response to informal consultation

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#### **ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL - REPORT TO CABINET**

1.	Meeting:	Cabinet
2.	Date:	7 <sup>th</sup> November 2012
3.	Title:	Rotherham's Olympic Legacy Project – Review & Next Steps
4.	Directorate:	Resources Commissioning, Policy & Performance

# 5. Summary

London 2012 has created an enthusiasm for sports and culture never seen before across the UK. The excitement associated with the games has been electric and Team GB's success has been awe-inspiring.

As an authority, Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council (RMBC) felt it was important to capture the essence of London 2012. We wanted the people of our borough to be part of the excitement and recognise the games could influence their lives for years to come.

A multi-disciplinary project team was established to lead on and contribute to Rotherham's 2012 Olympic Legacy Project. The team committed to deliver a programme of Olympic themed events and activities that would encourage people to adopt healthier lifestyles, see more of our residents joining clubs, volunteering, learning to coach and becoming more involved in existing arts and cultural events.

Alongside this the project team worked tirelessly to forge an Olympic friendship with the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham (LBBD). It was felt that a partnership with LBBD, one of the six host London Boroughs, would be beneficial to both authorities in inspiring our communities during the Olympic year and beyond.

The projects main aim was to create a genuine Olympic legacy for Rotherham's communities and offer opportunities to celebrate the Games.

#### 6. Recommendations

Cabinet are asked to:

- Note the achievements of the project team in planning and delivering a wide range of Olympic inspired events
- Note the current position in respect of our Olympic friendship with the London Borough of Barking & Dagenham (LBBD)
- Agree the proposed next steps in respect of Rotherham's Olympic Legacy Project

# 7. Proposals and details

A project team made up of officers from both RMBC and partners worked closely with the Leader, Cllr Rushforth and Cllr Wyatt to co-ordinate Rotherham's approach to the Olympics 2012, further details can be found below.

# 7.1 Partnership working with the London Borough of Barking & Dagenham (LBBD)

The project team, with the support of RMBC's Leader forged an Olympic friendship with the London Borough of Barking & Dagenham (LBBD).

Informal partnership working arrangements were in place from December 2011 and a formal friendship agreement was signed in March 2012; which received a great deal of local media interest.

The friendship, up until now, has focussed on offering communities in both Borough's the opportunity to take part in sporting and cultural activities on an exchange basis, this is something we've really embraced in Rotherham, the chance for our residents to visit one of London's six host borough's was wonderful prospect.

Rotherham representatives have participated in:

# • Dagenham & Redbridge FC vs. Rotherham United FC

This event was seen as the soft launch of our Olympic friendship with LBBD. Free tickets to the Dagenham & Redbridge FC vs. Rotherham United FC football match on Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup> January 2012 were provided to children and families from both boroughs.

## • Big Dance LBBD

A dance group from the Youth Dance Network and a group from Wath Comp performed at LBBD's dance event on Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2012; feedback via the dance group leaders was that all the groups thoroughly enjoyed participating.

## Dagenham Town Show Parade

Representatives from Rotherham took part in LBBD's Olympic Torch ceremony, parade and party in the park on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2012.

Rotherham was represented by young people from Youth Cabinet, IYSS Apprentices and young volunteers; they were supported by staff from RMBC's Youth Services and paraded alongside a Youth Service mobile unit. The parade was a huge success with over 70,000 spectators turning out to support the event.

The event highlighted Rotherham's Olympic friendship with LBBD and also offered the individuals that attended the opportunity to participate in a prestigious and exciting event within a host borough.

15-year-old Rosie Riley, from Eastwood Village, who represented RMBC at the event stated: "We felt like celebrities in the parade it will be an experience I will never forget."

It is hoped that the friendship we have built with LBBD over the past months continues to flourish, Rotherham intends to utilise this excellent opportunity to forge a meaningful peer support relationship.

# 7.2 Rotherham's Olympic Events

The multi-disciplinary project team developed a detailed calendar of supercharged Olympic events which incorporated existing and entirely new projects. An overview of a few of the events can be found below, a full Rotherham events calendar can be found at Appendix A.

#### Torch of Learning

Students and staff at Thrybergh School worked together to create Rotherham's very own Torch of Learning, once completed the Torch made its way round every school in Rotherham during April, May and June 2012 as part of the "Lighting the Flame" project.

The Torch was the basis for a whole host of sports and Olympic related learning opportunities, schools really embraced the project planning their own events to mark the arrival of the Torch in their school.

The Torch completed its relay of the borough at Magna on the 18<sup>th</sup> of June where it was used to officially open Rotherham's Children's Festival.

#### Torch Relay

Rotherham's leg of the "Torch Relay" formed a pivotal point in the events calendar. The Torch passed through the borough on the 26<sup>th</sup> of June 2012; it was very much a "celebratory" day with up to 33,000 people lining the route.

## Festival of Sport

The Festival of Sport was created as a means of offering as many children and young people the opportunity to see the Olympic Torch pass through Rotherham on the morning of the 26<sup>th</sup> June 2012. It also offered the opportunity to incorporate sporting activities into Rotherham's existing Children's Festival programme.

The event, which was held in Clifton Park, was promoted to schools across the borough and the response was overwhelming. Almost 1000 children were in attendance on the day and took part in a wide variety of sporting activities, including:

- Basketball
- Football
- Dance
- Aerobics

The event was co-ordinated and delivered by RMBC's School Effectiveness Service, School Sports Co-ordinators, RMBC's Sports Development Team, Rotherham United Community Trust and DC Leisure. It was a huge success, informal feedback has been positive with participants from Wentworth CE Junior & Infant school thanking the event team for "the best day of their lives"!

It is envisaged that this event will provide a true legacy to the Games with it being incorporated into Rotherham's very successful Children's Festival from 2013

onwards, the hope for next year is that participation figures will be even higher, thus promoting sport and healthy lifestyles to 100's if not 1000's of the borough's school children.

# • Big Dance Rotherham 2012

Big Dance Rotherham 2012 was held on Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup> July 2012 in Rotherham town centre. The event, which attracted approximately 1000 spectators, showcased various dance groups across Rotherham, irrespective of age, gender or skill and the line up included very young dancers (ages 4-6) post 25 dancers and disabled dancers. The event clearly highlighted the wealth of talent and creativity Rotherham has to offer.

In the past this event has suffered many set backs due to lack of funding however this year we accessed some minimal funding to ensure it success (please see section 8) and discussions are now taking place to build this into Children's Festival programme with effect from 2013 thus ensuring its sustainability.

# BMX Saturday Masterclasses

The BMX Saturday Masterclasses took place throughout August into early September and offered 11-16 year olds the opportunity gain coaching from Marcus Bloomfield at Winterhill BMX track. Marcus currently coaches young people at the National Cycling Centre in Manchester and is the Olympic Talent Team Coach.

The sessions were well attended, over 50 youngsters took part, and it allowed less experienced riders the opportunity to learn how to use the track properly.

It is hoped similar sessions will be run next year subject to available funding from existing budgets.

#### Summer Games

The Summer Games is a free to attend festival of sport which took place on 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> of August 2012. The event has taken place previously in 2010 & 2011 with 2012 being the "Gold Year", it is envisaged this event will take place next year also.

The event offers children aged between 5-16yrs the opportunity to take part in a number of sporting activities and for the first time this year also incorporated a number of swimming events .

The event was well attended with approximately 200 children taking part over the two days. Nine of the ten activities are delivered by local clubs who can provide regular outlets for young people to take part in that sport on a weekly basis.

# Rotherham Urban Pianos

The Rotherham Urban Pianos project focuses on rescuing old pianos and turning them into works of art, this has been inspired by Ben Kealey, the keyboardist with Kasabian. Twelve pianos have been transformed into beautiful works of art by schools, community groups and members of the public. Rotherham residents have also had the opportunity to contribute to the composition of a "melody for Rotherham".

A Town Centre celebration event took place on the 29<sup>th</sup> of September allowing members of the public to view the pianos and hear the melody. Dominic Hurley, a local fundraiser who had been nominated to carry the Olympic torch but was unsuccessful, acted as the "tunebearer" and carried the melody between the wonderful works of art.

# Parkrun Rother Valley

As a true legacy to the project we have also committed funding the establishment of a Parkrun event at Rother Valley Country Park.

Clifton Park is in the early stages of establishing a Parkrun, by providing another site within the Borough, the Parkrun experience can engage with a wider range of participants and volunteers locally who may not travel into a town centre site and provide an alternative site to vary the run experience.

Parkrun is an organised free, weekly, 5km timed run. They are open to everyone, free, and are safe and easy to take part in. It is envisaged that the Parkrun event at Rother Valley Country Park will commence early next year.

All the events outlined were supported by a detailed media plan which promoted them fully and as widely as possible, ensuring high attendance and increased visibility.

In support of this several Olympic webpages were created which provided information not only on events and the Torch Relay but also on Rotherham's Olympians and existing Sports Clubs, thus inspiring future generations. Creating these pages and aligning them with RMBC's existing Sports Development webpage's ensured that all website visitors could also access existing information on sport and healthy lifestyles.

In conclusion this project has seen Rotherham residents engage in a number of exciting events that have really captured the essence of the Olympic and Cultural Olympiad. It's too early to determine whether or not the excitement that has been felt across the borough will translate into increased numbers in our local sports clubs and so forth. However the numbers that have engaged in Rotherham's Olympic themed events has been and continues to be a positive sign and the feedback received aweinspiring. As a result we hope to build upon these experiences and run many of the Olympic events on an annual basis subject to funding being secured. This, in conjunction with Rotherham's existing initiatives and excellent work through the Health and Wellbeing Board, will serve as a legacy for our borough.

# 7.3 Yorkshire's Medal Winners & Rotherham's Olympians

Following the Games the project team made contact with all Yorkshire medal winners and Rotherham's Olympians on an individual basis to congratulate them on their tremendous achievements, invite them to attend Rotherham Show and also enquire as to whether they would be interested in working with us over the coming months to promote sport and healthy lifestyles throughout Rotherham.

All our correspondence was met with great thanks however due to prior commitments and hectic schedules the majority of our invites were politely declined. However Joe Roebuck (Swimmer) and Amy Oliver (Archer) responded positively and both have

agreed to explore joint working opportunities. Joe also attended Rotherham Show at which he received a rapturous welcome.

# 7.4 Next Steps

The proposed next steps for the project are as outlined below;

- As the project draws to a natural end it's suggested that the members of the project team contribute too RAP (Rotherham Active Partnership) meetings, chaired by Sally Jenks and administered by Chris Siddall, Sport & Leisure Manager. Any outcomes will then be filtered down to RAN (Rotherham Active Network) providers as the Operations Group. These groups will take responsibility for any continuing actions, themes and events. They will also continue to capture and record sports, arts and culture events in one place thus ensuring customers can view this information in an accessible format on the Sports Development events calendar.
- Continue to explore the opportunities of forging a peer support relationship with LBBD.
- Explore the opportunities to deliver many of the events created specifically to celebrate the Olympic year on an annual basis, subject to funding being secured including:
  - Festival of Sport
  - Big Dance Rotherham
  - Summer Games
  - BMX Saturday Masterclasses
- Chris Siddall, Sport & Leisure Manager and Laura Brown, Corporate Improvement Officer to continue to forge relationships with Rotherham Olympians Joe Roebuck (Swimmer) and Amy Oliver (Archer) with a view to them acting as ambassadors for healthy lifestyles within the borough.

#### 8. Finance

All events and projects where possible have been delivered within the services budget capabilities; however there were a few instances where external funding streams and sponsorship could not be accessed due to time frames, the fact that the local authority was project lead and the complexities surrounding events linked with the Olympics.

As a result the Resources Directorate Finance budget supported a number of the projects, providing total funding of £10, 229. This funding ensured that the events were a great success and were accessed by as many Rotherham residents as possible.

As previously highlighted many of the Olympic events that the Resources Directorate Finance budget financed will now be run on an annual basis and will be built into existing budgets.

#### 9. Risks and Uncertainties

Continuing to draw upon the enthusiasm associated with the Olympics and the associated projects/initiatives that Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council have undertaken over the past months is extremely important in encouraging healthy lifestyles and cultural experiences.

# 10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. Rotherham Health Inequalities Action Plan.

# 11. Background Papers and Consultation

N/A

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# **Rotherham Olympic Events Calendar 2012**

Date	Event	Event Details	Lead Officer(s)
		JANUARY 2012	
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Hall Athletics (Secondary Schools)		Louise White Schools Game Organiser Rawmarsh 07826 525554 rcsl.White@rgfl.org
		FEBRUARY 2012	
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup>	Young Peoples Voice & Influence Conference	Event held at MyPlace - Olympic Theme	Christine Brodhurst-Brown Youth Services Manager 01709 822485 christine.brodhurst- brown@rotherham.gov.uk
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup>	Sports Hall Athletics (Secondary Schools)		Louise White Schools Game Organiser Rawmarsh 07826 525554 rcsl.White@rgfl.org
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Hall Athletics (Primary Schools)		David Walker School Games Organiser Wickersley 01709 731213 dwalker@wickersley.net
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Hall Athletics (Primary Schools)		Louise White Schools Game Organiser Rawmarsh 07826 525554 rcsl.White@rgfl.org
		MARCH 2012	
		APRIL 2012	
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> April – Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Torch of Learning	Schools are creating a Rotherham Torch which is due to leave Thrybergh on 17 April and will pass through every school in the authority ending up at Magna on 18 June to open the Children's Festival.	Fiona Radford SES Business Manager 01709 740226 fiona.radford@rotherham.gov.uk

Date	Event	Event Details	Lead Officer(s)
		MAY 2012	
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> April – Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Torch of Learning	Schools are creating a Rotherham Torch which is due to leave Thrybergh on 17 April and will pass through every school in the authority ending up at Magna on 18 June to open the Children's Festival.	Fiona Radford SES Business Manager 01709 740226 fiona.radford@rotherham.gov.uk
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> May 10:30 — 14:30	Freedom to Try Disability Sport Event	An activity day for people with learning disabilities. Activities include bike ability, archery, boccia, football and multi- sports, nature walks & an option of rowing boat, pedal boat or canoeing. £5 per person. Book and pay in advance by 11 <sup>th</sup> May.  For bookings contact Steph/ Sally at Speak Up 01709 720462.	Amy Roden Sport Development Officer 01709 822453 Amy.roden@rotherham.gov.uk
		JUNE 2012	
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> April – Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Torch of Learning	Schools are creating a Rotherham Torch which is due to leave Thrybergh on 17 April and will pass through every school in the authority ending up at Magna on 18 June to open the Children's Festival.	Fiona Radford SES Business Manager 01709 740226 fiona.radford@rotherham.gov.uk
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> 10:00 – 16:00	Swinton Gala Swinton Welfare Ground, Park Rd		Councillor Ken Wyatt J.P. Elected Member for Swinton Ward. Cabinet Member Rotherham MBC. 01709 583073 / 07748 142721 Ken.wyatt@rotherham.gov.uk
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> 07:36 - 9:29	Torch Relay	Various plans currently in the planning stage.  Liaising with various groups who could animate the town centre when torch relay passes through and also liaising with sports co-ordinators regarding an event in Clifton Park on 26th June.	Marie Hayes Events and Promotions Manager 01709336883 marie.hayes@rotherham.gov.uk
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup>	Festival of Sport	Collaboration project with Children's Festival, School Sport Partnerships & Rotherham Utd Community Sports Trust.	Fiona Radford SES Business Manager 01709 740226 fiona.radford@rotherham.gov.uk

Date	Event	Event Details	Lead Officer(s)
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup>	Young People's Street Party	"Street Party" to be hosted in the grounds of Dalton Youth Centre.	Christine Brodhurst-Brown Youth Services Manager 01709 822485 christine.brodhurst- brown@rotherham.gov.uk
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> June & Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> July	BMX Saturday Masterclasses	Marcus Broomfield BMX Olympic Champion will deliver 2 weeks worth of "BMX Saturday Masterclasses" at Winterhill BMX track.  The events include tricks and tips, diet and exercise, bike safety etc.  Being delivered by the Youth Service detached team who have linked up with	Rachel Barraclough (01709) 334939 Mobile 07876138671 rachel.barraclough@rotherham.gov.uk Julie Bamford
		Groundwork, Area Assemblies and Rotherham North SNT for this piece of work.  Running from: 10am-12pm / 12.15pm- 2.15pm	Mobile: 07779997431
0.		JULY 2012	
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup>	Big Dance Event	Town Centre Dance Event	Rhiannon Lister-Coburn Senior Officer Community Arts 01709 255504 rhiannon.lister-coburn@rotherham.gov.uk
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> June & Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> July	BMX Saturday Masterclasses	Marcus Broomfield BMX Olympic Champion will deliver 2 weeks worth of "BMX Saturday Masterclasses" at Winterhill BMX track.	Rachel Barraclough (01709) 334939 Mobile 07876138671
		The events include tricks and tips, diet and exercise, bike safety etc.  Being delivered by the Youth Service detached team who have linked up with Groundwork, Area Assemblies and Rotherham North SNT for this piece of work.  Running from: 10am-12pm / 12.15pm- 2.15pm	rachel.barraclough@rotherham.gov.uk  Julie Bamford Mobile: 07779997431
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	Rotherham Wide Fun Olympicz – Clifton Park	The Central Youth Work Team is holding a Rotherham wide fun Olympics in Clifton Park supported by Rotherham United and a variety of voluntary organisations.  Taking place will be:-	Rachel Barraclough (01709) 334939 Mobile 07876138671 rachel.barraclough@rotherham.gov.uk

Date	Event	Event Details	Lead Officer(s)
		<ul> <li>Skate Rink from YMCA White Rose</li> <li>Inflatable Human Table Football.</li> <li>Wellie Throwing</li> <li>Football</li> <li>Rounder's</li> <li>Volley Ball</li> <li>Plus team games</li> </ul> The events will take place from 3pm to 9pm and will end with a community BBQ	
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> July – Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> August	Go For Gold with the S-Word Games	Sexual health education and awareness campaign to prevent sexually transmitted infections and unwanted pregnancy.	Christine Brodhurst-Brown Youth Services Manager 01709 822485 christine.brodhurst- brown@rotherham.gov.uk
		AUGUST 2012	Ŋ
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> July – Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> August	Go For Gold with the S-Word Games	Sexual health education and awareness campaign to prevent sexually transmitted infections and unwanted pregnancy.	Christine Brodhurst-Brown Youth Services Manager 01709 822485 christine.brodhurst- brown@rotherham.gov.uk
Thu 30 <sup>th</sup> — Fri 31 <sup>st</sup>	Joint Summer Games Event	Two one day events to be held at Herringthorpe Stadium and the other potentially at Maltby Leisure centre.  Event will be made up of Olympic events and part Paralympic events. The second day will be in the pool with events such as diving, water polo and swimming.  Will be promoted as part of the Children's Festival. Age range 5 – 16yrs, 5 – 7yrs must be accompanied by an adult.	Chris Siddall Team Leader Leisure and Green Spaces 01709 822478 chris.siddall@rotherham.gov.uk

Date	Event	Event Details	Lead Officer(s)
		SEPTEMBER 2012	
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	50+ Event	Event to raise awareness of the Active Always programme, different service providers will be on hand to deliver demonstrations such as seated exercise.  Event will be held at Town Centre Leisure Centre.	Amy Roden Sport Development Officer 01709 822453 amy.roden@rotherham.gov.uk
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup>	Rotherham Urban Pianos	The Rotherham Urban Pianos project focuses on rescuing old pianos and turning them into works of art, this has been inspired by Ben Kealey, the keyboardist with Kasabian. Twelve pianos have been transformed into beautiful works of art by schools, community groups and members of the public. Rotherham residents have also had the opportunity to contribute to the composition of a "melody for Rotherham".  A Town Centre celebration event took place on the 29 <sup>th</sup> of September allowing members of the public to view the pianos and hear the melody. Dominic Hurley, a local fundraiser who had been nominated to carry the Olympic torch but was unsuccessful, acted as the "tunebearer" and carried the melody between the wonderful works of art.	Lizzy Alageswaran Principal Officer Community Arts 01709 823636 lizzy.alageswaran@rotherham.gov.uk
		OCTOBER 2012	
		NOVEMBER 2012	
		DECEMBER 2012	

# Rotherham Olympic Events Calendar 2012 - Calendar View

JANUARY 2012  Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> - Sports Hall Athletics Secondary Schools	FEBRUARY 2012  Tue 14 <sup>th</sup> - Young Peoples Voice & Influence Conference Tue 21 <sup>st</sup> - Sports Hall Athletics Secondary Schools Tue 28 <sup>th</sup> - Sports Hall Athletics Secondary Schools Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> -Sports Hall Athletics Primary Schools	<u>MARCH 2012</u>	APRIL 2012  17 <sup>th</sup> April – 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2012 Torch of Learning
MAY 2012  Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> – Freedom to Try  17 <sup>th</sup> April – 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2012 Schools Torch Relay		JULY 2012  Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> – Big Dance Event Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> – Rotherham Wide Fun Olympics  27 <sup>th</sup> July – 12 <sup>th</sup> Go For Gold w Gan  Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2012  Masterclasses	ith the S-Word
SEPTEMBER 2012  Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> - 50+ Event Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> - Rotherham Urban Pianos	OCTOBER 2012	NOVEMBER 2012	DECEMBER 2012

## ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL - REPORT TO CABINET

1.	Meeting:	CABINET
2.	Date:	7th November, 2012
3.	Title:	eMarketplace, Connect to Support (CtS)
4.	Programme Area:	Resources Directorate

# 5. Summary

This report was previously presented to Cabinet on 5<sup>th</sup> September and is being represented for formal approval, following the Leaders meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> October.

This paper sets out progress to date, next steps and timeline for the internal and public launch of Rotherhams eMarketplace, Connect to Support (CtS)

#### 6. Recommendations

## **That CABINET:**

- Note progress to date on the development and implementation of an eMarketplace, Connect to Support (CtS) in Rotherham
- Endorse the option for accreditation, registration and Rotherham branding
- Support the configuration of the site
- Support promotion and marketing campaigns
- Note the timeline for a public launch in January 2013 of the Rotherham emarketplace, Connect to Support (CtS)

# 7. Proposals and Details

# 7.1 Background

In order to respond to the significant challenge of personalisation, changing demographics and future demand in the context of constrained public funding the Council needs to maximise the opportunity that a technological solution provides to improve choice and outcomes for service users and self-funders and to achieve substantial efficiencies in transactions and back office costs.

An eMarketplace, Connect to Support (CtS) is an online web based e-commerce model that contributes directly to Putting People First and the transformation of adult social care. Customers using their personal budget and self-funders can purchase goods and services to meet their needs from Providers, and/or seek information, guidance and advice or be signposted to appropriate services including community groups. CtS will provide a dynamic mechanism that supports Social Workers, commissioning, individual customers and self funders as purchasers, and it facilitates reshaping of the local market for personalisation; matching needs with what local providers are able to provide. The new technology will accelerate the implementation of 'personalised' markets, increasingly so, as IT literacy in the population increases. The intention is that the online web based solution, will become integral to how we support all citizens to achieve independence and improved outcomes including a high quality of health and well-being in Rotherham.

The eMarketplace was procured regionally across 15 authorities of Yorkshire and Humber plus Manchester City Council. This shared procurement approach is in line with the Council's shared service approach. The provision of this model will meet the outcomes of the Council Corporate Plan for ensuring care and protection is available for those people who need it most:

- People in need of support and care have more choice and control to help them live at home
- People in need get help earlier, before reaching crisis
- Carers get the help and support they need

The regional procurement was hosted by Doncaster and Shop4Support (s4s) was appointed. There have been significant advances in Doncaster, Lincolnshire and Kirklees, Doncaster's site is available to access at <a href="https://www.connecttosupport.org/c2s/ui/content/MyCouncil/Common.aspx">https://www.connecttosupport.org/c2s/ui/content/MyCouncil/Common.aspx</a>

Rotherham is now in the process of configuring the local site in preparation for the internal launch late Autumn 2012 with a public launch of the Rotherham site in January 2013.

A key issue for all authorities is around accreditation and registration of providers and branding on the Connect to Support site. A report has recently been presented to the Council's Senior Leadership Team (SLT), outlining the various options and it was agreed that a de-regulated, low

administrative control and low cost to the Council model would be adopted in Rotherham.

The chosen model will mean that the 'Rotherham' site will not be branded as a Rotherham Council site. The accreditation of providers will be via a vendor rating such as CQC inspection rating or specialist business sector quality mark from an umbrella organisation such as Age UK. Registration will be automatic via the Shop4Support model where basic information will be validated. In order to safeguard customers purchasing goods and/or services from providers registered on the site a Caveat Emptor (buyer beware) statement will be clearly displayed.

The Council's in-house legal team support this decision and have advised that the model supplies the public with the necessary information to source appropriate providers. There is scope for ratings awarded by external accreditation to be published and also quality marks to give reassurance. There is a low risk to the Council as we are not recommending any of the providers and we are merely providing a forum for the information.

This report was previously presented to Cabinet on 5<sup>th</sup> September however Members requested that further information and discussions were required. A presentation and live demo of the Doncaster site were provided at the Leaders meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> October and the Leader and Cabinet Members agreed for this report to be represented to Cabinet to formally approve the recommendations.

#### 7.2 Proposals

In Rotherham a programme and project management approach has been put in place and significant progress has been achieved with the initial technical blueprint sign off of the site design and content achieved at the end of May. However, there are several separate elements remaining to ensure the system is fit for purpose before the launch of the site. Outstanding actions include:

- Configuration of the sites managed information and advice content
- Consultation and usability testing with staff and customers
- Promotion and marketing campaign
- Registration protocol

# i Configuration of the sites managed information and advice content;

Crucial to the success of the site is ensuring that the information, signposting and advice content are accurate, valid and easy to access. It is of the utmost importance that people who visit the site are provided with relevant information and advice or are signposted to meet their needs. Content managers have been identified across the council who will be responsible for full content in line with the current arrangements for the RMBC website.

# ii Consultation and usability testing with providers, staff and customers:

Numerous consultation events have taken place over the last few months to raise awareness to providers, customers and staff about the benefits of CtS. Initial consultations have taken place with over 200 stakeholders consisting of known commissioned providers and Health and Wellbeing staff. In addition, against a target of 20 providers Rotherham has over 392 local providers already signed up to the site, of which 32 have live stores. Further consultations will take place with voluntary and community groups, independent sector providers and the citizens of Rotherham to raise the profile of CtS and to sell the benefits of the system's capabilities for all stakeholders.

# iii Promotion and marketing campaign;

Establishing the communication and engagement strategy, raising awareness and promoting the benefits of CtS externally and internally are essential to ensure the success of the site. The strategy has recently been finalised by the Implementation Group and includes actions and milestones to ensure a cross section of activities are carried out to maximise promotion and marketing opportunities. The promotion and marketing campaign will consist of a range of internal and external activities including but not restricted to, public transport poster campaigns, a series of planned press releases, internal and external weekly e-newsletters, e-learning package, radio interviews, promotion leaflets and newspaper advertising and text campaigns.

#### iv Registration protocol;

Although the Council's SLT has agreed to adopt a de-regulated, low administrative control and low cost to the Council model in Rotherham and the registration of providers will be automatic via Shop4Support, a registration protocol, including guidance on vendor ratings will need to be established for Shop4Support.

## v Timeline for internal and public launch;

Rotherham were part of a regional implementation schedule as 'Midimplementers'. Sign off requirements consisted of testing and agreeing the basic system functionality against the pre-established quality criteria, registration of a minimum of 20 local providers and agreeing the basic tiers of the beta site. Rotherham successfully completed sign-off at the end of May 2012.

Go Live and Internal Launch; A target date for going live is proposed for November 2012; this will involve the beta site changing to live working site available on the internet. This will require promotion, awareness raising and training to staff and direct payment users, all of which will be built into the Communications and Engagement strategy and plan. Feedback will be

collated on their experiences and comments and improvements made before a public launch.

**Public Launch**; A second date will be identified which establishes the public 'go live date' to the citizens of Rotherham. The target date for the external launch is proposed for January 2013 and it is intended that the public launch will be a high profile event.

#### 8. Finance

Capital of £500K has been funded by the Y&H Joint Improvement Partnership (JIP). The eMarketplace, Connect to Support (CtS) solution is to be cost neutral to the participating authorities. A transaction cost of 2.5% is applied to providers by s4s.

Funding from the Social Care Reward Grant has been ring fenced to deliver the Connect to Support (CtS) project in Rotherham. Dedicated resources also include a project officer in Resources, CPP and capacity within the strategic commissioning manager role in Resources, CPP.

For participating authorities it is anticipated that the application of the ecommerce model to purchase services will reduce transactions costs. It is proposed here that the Connect to Support (CtS) solution will be beneficial for service users and deliver efficiencies.

There will be a requirement for the system to have a resource in house for day to day issues but this resource should be held within current RMBC ITC services.

#### 9. Risks and Uncertainties

That if the capacity delivered by a project manager is not ongoing the project will not be delivered.

# 10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

Putting People First – Transforming Social Care ADASS Personalisation Milestones CQC Outcomes Framework Choice and Control:

- Councils are delivering efficiencies by actively reshaping services towards prevention and with partners supporting people to live independently; thereby reducing the number of people entering long-term support or requiring ongoing support from social care. VfM (PPF)
- The council is shaping the local market to ensure that services are in place to support independence, choice and control and that they are affordable in the long term
- Commissioners work with providers and partner agencies to ensure that the services commissioned meet needs. Higher quality care is delivered at increased efficiency and effectiveness. VfM ( PPF/safeguarding)

 Councils have evaluated how successful personal budgets and self directed support are at improving choice and control for individuals. Evidence shows people are able to use the various self directed support options and find that local services can meet their needs PPF (safeguarding/VfM)

# 11. Background Papers and Consultation

SLT Paper (11-07-11) Emarketplace Service Solution

TLAP (Think Local Act Personal) (2011) - Making it Real

DH (2010) Equality and Excellence - Liberating the NHS

Gradus Consulting Bid – Progressing and eMarketplace in Yorkshire and Humber

HMG (2007) 'Putting People First':

DH (2008) Transforming Social Care LAC (DH) (2008 and 2009) 1

DH (2008) Independent Living Strategy

DH (2009) Use of Resources in Adult Social Care

DCLG (2006) Creating Strong, Safe and Prosperous Communities

DH (2008) Commissioning for Personalisation: A Framework for Local Authority Commissioners

In Control (2008) Smart Commissioning: exploring the impact of personalisation on commissioning

NAS (2008) Adult Services Commissioning Strategy 2008-23

NAS (2009) Rotherham Market Facilitation Plan and Action Plan 2010-13

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# **ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL - REPORT TO CABINET**

1.	Meeting:	Cabinet	
2.	Date:	7th November, 2012	
3.	Title:	Corporate Risk Register	
4.	Directorate:	Resources	

# 5. Summary

Attached to this report is the current corporate risk register summary. The summary shows the risks associated with the Council's most significant priorities and projects, and actions being taken to mitigate these risks.

The Council's key current risks continue to relate to the financial pressures faced by the Council as well as the implications of the Welfare Reforms and the Localism Act. These issues are set to have major implications for residents and Council services. The report summarises the management actions that are being taken to mitigate these and other risks in the register.

#### 6. Recommendations

# Cabinet is asked to:

- note the corporate risk register summary attached at Appendix A
- confirm the current assessment of the Council's top corporate risks
- indicate any further risks that it feels should be added to the risk register.

# 7 Proposals and Details

#### 7.1 Format

This report contains the latest position on the Corporate Risk Register. The corporate risk register summary is attached at **Appendix A**. The corporate risk register summary reflects the current risk assessments for each corporate priority or project in the corporate risk register.

This covering report highlights the top inherent risks.

There are 3 overall categories of risk (RED, AMBER, GREEN) representing varying degrees of exposure. Each category contains a range of risk scores, so there are varying degrees of risk within each category. Appendix A shows the risk category and score for each priority or project included in the register before and after risk mitigation actions.

# 7.2 Highest inherent risks

The risk register summary shows risks in descending inherent risk order, to emphasize the most significant risks faced by the Authority. The top five risks are:

 Managing Government budget reductions - unable to maintain key services due to budgetary limits.

Cabinet and Strategic Leadership Team (SLT) are meeting on a regular basis to consider the options available and, ultimately, Cabinet will make decisions that ensure the Council can provide priority services within available resources.

Recent Government proposals will significantly increase the amount of savings required to be made by the Council in the next two years. In view of this, the residual risk rating for this item has increased from a rating of 16 to 20 (with 25 being the maximum possible risk rating).

## Welfare Reforms

Various Government reforms, including proposals relating to Council Tax and Benefits, could have major implications for residents and services. Corporate and partnership working groups are considering the implications and identifying actions required, and key reports are being presented to Members as appropriate.

• Unable to deliver effective Children's Services within budget.

Ongoing action is being taken by management to provide services within the budget available. Cabinet is being kept informed of the relevant financial challenges as part of the budget monitoring and budget setting processes and makes decisions accordingly.

Localism Act 2011 (Part 2)

The Localism Act is a major piece of legislation which limits the amount of Council Tax increases and introduces new requirements relating to Community

Right to Challenge; Neighbourhood Plans; Tenure Reform and Assets of Community Value. Most of the provisions have now been brought into force or dates have been announced for commencement. However, in some cases no detailed regulations have yet been made to further explain requirements. Officers are tracking requirements, organising relevant responses and reporting implications to Members.

# Digital Region

The Council is continuing to work with other shareholders to secure the future of the project and minimise financial risks associated with ongoing trading performance.

The summary at **Appendix A** provides more details of the actions being taken to mitigate these and other risks recorded in the corporate risk register.

# 7.3 Key developments / changes during the period

Significant developments and changes since the previous version of the corporate risk register are as follows:

# Waste management contract

The setting up of the Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham waste management contract has now been removed from the corporate risk register as the contract has now been signed. Risks relating to the management of the contract will be monitored and managed within Environment and Development services.

## Schools capital investment

Previous versions of the risk register have included risks relating to the failure to maintain an adequate schools' capital investment programme, after Government decisions to curtail some funding. Subsequent Government funding decisions have enabled the Council to progress priority schemes. It is proposed that this risk should now be monitored at directorate level.

# Municipal Mutual Insurance

Rotherham Council was a Member of the Municipal Mutual Insurance (MMI) when the mutual ceased trading in 1992. Since then MMI has been settling historical claims using the funds accumulated when it was in operation. A recent Supreme Court case regarding mesothelioma claims has resulted in MMI having higher historical liabilities and potentially jeopardising a solvent run-off of remaining liabilities. If MMI has insufficient funds to meet liabilities, its Members will be required to make up any shortfall. At the moment it is not certain whether any deficit will exist or what or when any Council contribution might be required.

#### 8. Finance

The risks contained in the register require ongoing management action. In some cases additional resources may be necessary to implement the relevant actions or mitigate risks. Any additional costs associated with the risks should be reported to the SLT and Members for consideration on a case by case basis.

#### 9. Risks and Uncertainties

It is important to review corporate risks on an ongoing basis, to ensure risks relating to the Council's key projects and priorities are effectively monitored and managed by the Strategic Leadership Team and Members.

#### 10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

Risk Management is part of good corporate governance and is wholly related to the achievement of the objectives in the Council's Corporate Plan.

#### 11. Background Papers and Consultation

This report reflects the latest updates provided by the respective 'lead officers'.

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Appendices

Appendix A Corporate Risk Register Summary

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### **APPENDIX A: SUMMARY CORPORATE RISK REGISTER**

No	Risk	Pre Controls 1-25	Lead officer  Key Actions/Updates	Post Controls 1 -25	Links to Corporate Priorities
0027	Managing Government budget reductions - unable to maintain key services due to budgetary limits	25	<ul> <li>Andrew Bedford</li> <li>High priority, driven through Strategic Leadership Team and Cabinet</li> <li>Further actions to mitigate budget reductions are being identified</li> </ul>	20	All Priorities
0037	<ul> <li>Welfare Reform:</li> <li>Significant pressures arising from the localisation of various resources (such as local Council Tax and Social Fund), including a reduction in overall funding available, limited administration capacity and reduced collection of Council Tax</li> <li>Potential major impact of reduced housing benefits, leading to higher debts, increasing demand for shrinking services, and increasing poverty and vulnerability. Potential to increase gap in communities' needs</li> <li>Negative overall impact on the local economy, with spiralling consequences.</li> <li>Potential increase in crime.</li> </ul>	25	<ul> <li>Corporate and partnership working groups considering implications of welfare reform and actions required</li> <li>Effective communications especially in relation to discretionary benefits administered by the Council and arrangements for assisting those in need to access benefits</li> <li>Corporate Policy on the top 11 deprived areas</li> </ul>	16	All Priorities

No	Risk	Pre Controls 1-25	Lead officer  Key Actions/Updates	Post Controls 1 -25	Links to Corporate Priorities
0022	Unable to deliver effective Children's Services within budget	25	<ul> <li>Joyce Thacker</li> <li>Review of all service provision and structures continues</li> <li>Continuous monitoring of budget and reporting to SLT / Cabinet</li> <li>Council committed additional £875k for 12/13.</li> </ul>	16	Priority 2 - Providing quality education Priority 3 - Care and protection for those people who need it most
0036	Localism Act 2011 (Part 2): Implementation requires substantial preparation, management and subsequent maintenance, relating to:  • Limits on Council Tax community "right to challenge"  • Neighbourhood planning requirements  • Tenure reform and the Council's Tenancy Strategy  • Assets of community value.	25	<ul> <li>Andrew Bedford</li> <li>All strands are being reviewed and progressed by relevant policy, service and support officers.</li> <li>Working groups are established for specific projects (eg assets of community value)</li> <li>Council Tax implications are being factored into budget planning</li> </ul>	16	All Priorities
0033	Funding of the Digital Region Project to provide comprehensive broadband facilities across South Yorkshire	20	<ul> <li>Andrew Bedford</li> <li>South Yorkshire Councils are adopting a proactive approach to the project, including support</li> <li>A critical review report has been agreed by the DRL Company and procurement is now underway for a new operator to take over the running of the network, including operating costs and revenue generation</li> </ul>	16	Priority 1: No community left behind

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No	Risk	Pre Controls 1-25	Lead officer  Key Actions/Updates	Post Controls 1-25	Links to Corporate Priorities
0021	Failure to sustain improvement in Children's Services	20	<ul> <li>Joyce Thacker</li> <li>Ofsted profile improved from 62.6% (inspected settings good or better) in March 2011 to 69.9% in April 2012</li> <li>Recent OFSTED inspection acknowledged the positive progress made by CYPS. No areas of concern were highlighted by inspectors and the service was judged to be adequate with several examples of strong practice highlighted. Recommendations from the report are currently being progressed.</li> <li>Positive attainment results achieved for the 11/12 Academic year.</li> </ul>	12	Priority 2 - Providing quality education Priority 3 - Care and protection for those people who need it most
0004	Costs of Capital Programme- significant consequences on revenue budget	16	<ul> <li>Andrew Bedford</li> <li>Financial details within Medium Term Financial Strategy</li> <li>Regular monitoring, review and reporting taking place</li> </ul>	12	All Priorities
0030	Schools Collaboration- impact of schools commissioning on LA services	16	<ul> <li>Joyce Thacker</li> <li>The Strategic Director has communicated with Head Teachers and Chairs of Governors regarding implications of collaboration and purchasing</li> <li>Monitoring of schools' appetite for change is ongoing</li> <li>Positive discussions have been held with 'Learners First'</li> </ul>	12	Priority 2 - Providing quality education

			<ul> <li>Arrangements are being improved in relation to income generation</li> <li>Review of portfolio of services completed.</li> </ul>		
0031	Academies, Free Schools and other school settings - Potential impact on LA schools and the Council e.g. loss of revenue, falling pupil numbers, reduced attainment, breakdown in relationships etc	16	<ul> <li>Monitor the impact of diversity of provision in free schools and other arrangements on mainstream school and the potential risk of loss of revenue, falling pupil numbers reduced attainment etc.</li> <li>Reporting to SLT and Cabinet as necessary.</li> <li>There are currently no free school applications active within the Borough.</li> <li>Maximise potential for income generation with Academies through the provision of quality services via competitive SLA agreements.</li> <li>Continue to enhance current strong working relationships with converted Academy Trusts and proposed future Academy Trusts.</li> <li>Continue to work with Academies to gain commitment to the Rotherham School Improvement Partnership.</li> </ul>	12	Priority 2 - Providing quality education

No	Risk	Pre Controls	Lead officer	Post Controls	Links to Corporate Priorities
		1-25	Key Actions/Updates	1-25	Filorities
0039	Municipal Mutual Insurance (MMI): Insurance Liabilities  A Supreme Court ruling on Employer's Liability policy wording has reinstated the longstanding market practice that policy cover for mesothelioma insurance claims is triggered by the date of exposure to asbestos and not by the date any illness is known (which may be many years later).  This outcome may ultimately lead to the insolvency of one of the council's previous insurers, MMI, and the subsequent triggering of claw back levies from scheme members, including Rotherham.  This could add a further financial pressure to the Council.	16	<ul> <li>MMI is presently digesting the Supreme Court outcome and assessing any implications for a solvent company run-off.</li> <li>At this stage it is not known when the position will be clear and, consequently, when any liability might be created for the Council.</li> <li>The situation continues to be monitored and any implications will be reported to members when clarity emerges.</li> <li>The matter has been treated as a contingent liability for Accountancy purposes and this has been agreed by the Council's external auditor.</li> </ul>	9	All Priorities
0009	Failure to effectively implement personalisation in Adult Social Services	16	<ul> <li>Tom Cray</li> <li>Personal budgets available to 77% of social care service users, one of the best performers in the country.</li> <li>Work to personalise commissioned services is projected to realise savings of £1.3m</li> </ul>	8	Priority 3 - Care and protection for those people who need it most

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0013	Failure to commission services that will meet the needs of communities effectively and / or achieve efficiency savings.	12	<ul> <li>Introduction of the e-market place in September 2012 will increase market capacity and customer choice and control</li> <li>Andrew Bedford</li> <li>Strategic commissioning priorities identified for 12/13 for CYPS and Adult Social Care.</li> <li>Development of framework and regional commissioning approaches to lever efficiencies and manage the market</li> <li>Re-commissioning of services, including Children's Services, to achieve VFM and improved commissioning and procurement practice</li> </ul>	6	Priority 3 - Care and protection for those people who need it most
0029	Failure to maintain Highways to a sufficient standard	12	<ul> <li>£3m prudential borrowing in place which will be drawn down over 3 years</li> <li>In 2<sup>nd</sup> year of 3 year £3m prudential borrowing scheme</li> </ul>	6	Priority 5 Improving the Environment
0035	Failure to minimise property ownership and maximise the use of retained properties.  Failure to maximise savings and benefits from the roll out of WorkSmart arrangements to all relevant staff.	12	Andrew Bedford     Asset management strategy being developed     Future options for extending Worksmart to staff in non-central buildings, to facilitate further property rationalisation	6	Priority 5 Improving the Environment

#### **ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL - REPORT TO MEMBERS**

1.	Meeting:	Cabinet
2.	Date:	7 November 2012
3.	Title:	Rationalisation of the Property Portfolio: Chislett Youth and Community Centre
		Ward: Keppel
4.	Directorate:	Resources & Children & Young Peoples Services

#### 5. Summary

To seek approval for the surrender of the existing lease and the granting of a new lease on the Chislett Centre on the terms reported.

#### 6. Recommendations

**That Cabinet approves:-**

- 1. the Director of Audit and Asset Management negotiates the terms of the proposed new lease as described in the report.
- 2. the Director of Legal & Democratic Services completes the necessary documentation.

#### 7. Proposals and Details

An earlier review of the buildings and services of the Youth Service within Children's and Young Peoples Services revealed that a number of buildings were not sustainable within the existing Youth Service budgets.

Chislett Youth and Community Centre, cross hatched red on the attached plans, was indentified as one of those buildings identified for closure or if appropriate be taken over by a suitable Voluntary Organisation. The Kimberworth Park Community Partnership expressed their interest in taking on the management and lease of the building.

In June 2011 consent was obtained under the Council's adopted Asset Transfer Policy to grant a seven year lease to Kimberworth Park Community Partnership at a nominal £1 per annum, subject to break options in favour of the Council. These break options, in line the adopted policy, protect the Council's interests should the building be required for service delivery or that the asset be released for a potential capital receipt.

Since June 2011, the Partnership has successfully run the centre for the benefit of the local community, and earlier in the year initiated a local consultation exercise on the future of the Centre. This exercise found there was overwhelming support for the Chislett Centre being developed in ways that meet local needs. Continued support for work with children, young people and their families was seen as a priority, as was developing volunteering opportunities, seen as a way of enabling local people back into employment.

Kimberworth Park Community Partnership has been invited to submit a Stage 2 Big Lottery Reaching Communities – Capital Grant bid after successfully submitting an outline application. The basis of this application will be to upgrade and refurbish the Chislett Centre, in order establish the Centre as a 'community hub' for the delivery of local services and activities, developed and managed by local people and aspiring to the aims identified during the consultation exercise. The partnership is seeking initial funds of £365,000, which could rise to £492,000 by the end of the application process, which will increase the overall lifespan of the building.

In order to qualify for the bid, the Big Lottery requires that a lease of 21 years be in place without any break options before the bid is accepted. This is a requirement to protect the grant provided and ensure that the benefits of the monies are fully realised.

The granting of such a lease without the break options is a diversion from the adopted Asset Transfer Policy, and therefore requires Cabinet Approval to grant the required lease. It is therefore recommended that on this occasion due to the level of investment that is sought, and the community gain that the refurbishment will deliver, then the lease be granted without breaks for 21 years.

#### 8. Finance

As per the adopted Asset Transfer Policy, all legal professional fees incurred by the Council in connection with the surrender and granting of the lease are to be met by Kimberworth Park Community Partnership, which has been estimated to be in the region of £500.

#### Estimated cost of surrender and grant of new lease

Revenue Costs: Professional Fees £150

Marketing – N/A Legal Services - £350

Maintenance costs until disposal – N/A

#### 9. Risks and Uncertainties

If Kimberworth Park Community Partnership is not granted a 21 year lease, then they will be unable to apply for the Big Lottery Reaching Communities Fund. This could jeopardise the long term community aims and objectives of the group, and would also hinder any attempts to obtain funding from alternative sources.

The Chislett centre adjoins an area of Neighbourhoods held Surplus Land to the North, cross hatched blue on the attached plans, which is in the process of being appropriated to Children & Young Peoples Services. This in order to enable the continuation of ad hoc parking by parents who pick up/drop off their children attending the nearby Redscope Primary School, and also for visitors to the Chislett Centre, accessed via the area shaded green on the attached plans. The site also provides the only viable vehicular access to maintain the school grounds.

There is the potential for this site along with the Chislett Centre and the former Domino Public House, which is in private ownership, to be amalgamated into a residential development site. By granting a 21 year lease on the Chislett Centre, this will prevent the comprehensive development for the duration of the lease. There is however still the potential to develop on a smaller scale the remaining amalgamated site

Should Kimberworth Park Community Partnership not wish to continue in occupation during the life of the lease or at its end, then they Council will be given back a building that will have had a considerable upgrade and extended lifespan.

#### 10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

This proposal contributes towards three of the five priorities set out in the Council's Corporate Plan. It will reinforce Rotherham neighbourhoods and communities and ensure community cohesion. It will potentially provide/support new sporting/play and health and wellbeing opportunities for members of the community; and it will improve the existing environment with the reduction in the need to travel to this type of facility

#### 11. Background Papers and Consultation

Rationalisation of Property Assets – Report on the Adoption Of An Asset Transfer Policy - Cabinet 20th July 2011

Rationalisation of Property Assets – Report on Chislett Youth and Community Centre To The Capital Strategy and Asset Review Team 29<sup>th</sup> June 2011

Director of Service, Appropriate Ward Members, the Appropriate Area Partnership Manager for the area, were consulted on the 4<sup>th</sup> October 2012 via email and no issues were raised on the contents of the report.

The report was approved by the Finance Manager, Resources on the 4<sup>th</sup> October 2012.

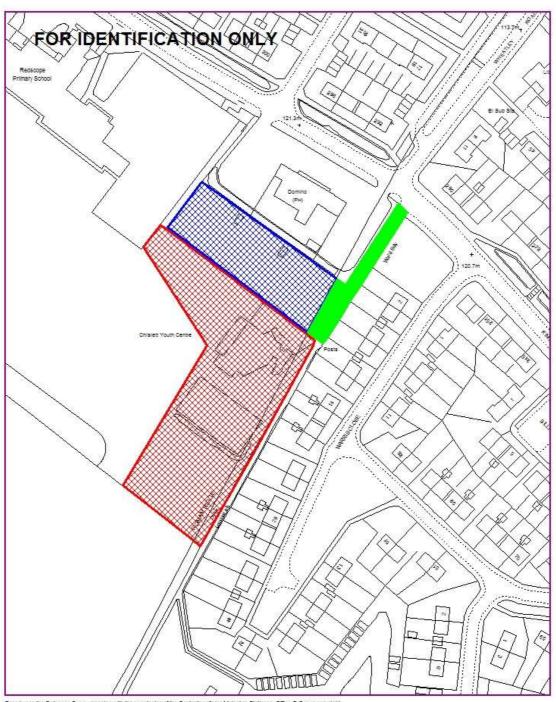
The report was approved by the Director of Legal & Democratic Services on the 17<sup>th</sup> October 2012

Appendix 1 & 2 – Site and Location plan

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#### Appendix 1

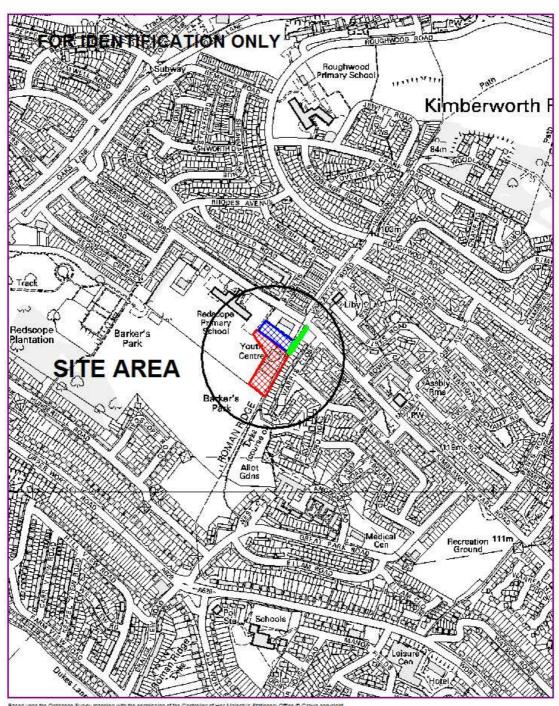


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