

**CABINET MEMBER FOR REGENERATION AND DEVELOPMENT
17th May, 2013**

Present:- Councillor Smith (in the Chair); Councillor Clark; together with The Mayor (Councillor Pickering)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Dodson and Godfrey.

G1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 8TH MAY 2013

Resolved:- That the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet Member and Advisers for Regeneration and Development, held on 8th May, 2013, be approved as a correct record for signature by the Chairman.

G2. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY

Consideration was given to a report presented by the Senior Planner requesting an exemption from Contract Standing Orders 47.6.2 and 47.6.3 to allow the appointment of consultants Peter Brett Associates LLP to assist with preparing and implementing a Rotherham Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL).

The report stated that the Planning Act 2008 introduced new powers for the Council to introduce a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to raise money to support local infrastructure. The levy will apply to most new development.

Peter Brett Associates LLP were appointed by the Council in September 2011 and September 2012 to undertake an Infrastructure Delivery Study and Whole Plan Viability Study primarily to support the preparation of the Rotherham Local Plan, but also as early evidence for development of a Rotherham CIL. Further work is now required to progress to consultation on preliminary draft CIL proposals. The further assistance of Peter Brett Associates is required using their local experience and knowledge gained through the above two previous studies to work with the Council to introduce a Rotherham CIL. The timetable to prepare CIL was included in the submitted report.

Members noted that the initial cost of the contract was estimated to be £15,000 to £17,000, although additional expenditure of approximately £10,000 might be required for further stages of the CIL process.

Resolved:- (1) That the report be received and its contents noted.

(2) That the appointment of Peter Brett Associates LLP to assist with preparing and implementing a Rotherham Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) shall be exempt from Contract Standing Orders 47.6.2 (requirement to invite at least two oral or written quotations for contracts with an estimated value of £5,000 but less than £20,000) and 47.6.3 (requirement to invite at least three written quotes for contracts with a value of between £20,000 and £50,000).