

Motherwell, 16 November 2005 at 9.30 am.

A Special Meeting of the **ECONOMIC REGENERATION COMMITTEE**

PRESENT

Councillor Maginnis, Convener; Councillor Curran, Vice-Convener; Councillors Brooks, Gormill, Gray, Homer, Murray and Pentland.

CHAIR

Councillor Maginnis (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Chief Committee Services Manager, Director of Planning and Environment, Head of Policy and Economic Development, Partnership and Projects Executive, Head of Accounting Services and Accountant.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Burrows, Curley, Donnelly, Hogg, Logue and McCabe.

NORTH LANARKSHIRE REGENERATION COMPANY

1. **C** With reference to paragraph 9 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 24 May 2005, there was submitted a report (docketed) dated 1 November 2005 by the Director of Planning and Environment (docketed) (1) seeking approval for the establishment of the North Lanarkshire Regeneration Company (NLRC); (2) detailing the rationale for the establishment of the company; (3) intimating that a Business Plan and Economic Appraisal had been developed to support the establishment of the company which provided an indicative position in terms of project development activity and outputs; (4) outlining the objectives of the NLRC and the activities that the Company may undertake; (5) providing in an Appendix to the report, an overview of governance arrangements; (6) summarising the regeneration based key performance indicators which would be used to measure the performance of the company; (7) informing that the initial funding would be provided by Scottish Enterprise Lanarkshire and Boots Group plc subject to the Council subsequently providing an agreed level of resources; (8) intimating that Scottish Enterprise Lanarkshire had agreed to provide an initial contribution of £1.76m to the company and Boots had agreed to gift the company a cash contribution as the final part of a wider support package for Airdrie; (9) informing (a) that the Council would provide the Company with assets to match or better the contribution made by the other Agencies, and (b) that the main asset identified for this purpose was Luggieglen Development Site, Coatbridge; (10) further intimating that core revenue costs of £643,000 were estimated in the draft Business Plan for the first three years of the company; (11) advising that the assignation of land and/or assets to the company would require the approval of the Scottish Executive in accordance with Sections 74(2) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973; (12) informing that the Company structure was based on a Board of 9 Directors, comprising 3 from Scottish Enterprise Lanarkshire, 3 from the Council and 3 from the private sector, and (13) advising that an Annual Performance Report be presented to this Committee providing an update on progress and project activity.

Thereon, Councillor Brooks requested that further progress reports be submitted to this Committee on a quarterly basis.

Decided:

- (1) that subject to all revenue funding being in place as outlined in the report, that the North Lanarkshire Regeneration Company be established;
- (2) that a further report be submitted to a future meeting of this Committee, seeking approval to nominate Elected Members/Officers to become Directors of the company;
- (3) that a further report by the Director of Planning and Environment and the Director of Housing and Property Services be submitted to a future meeting of this Committee seeking approval to proceed with a request to the Scottish Executive to approve the assignation of land/assets to the company;
- (4) that further progress reports be submitted to this Committee on a quarterly basis, and
- (5) that it be noted that prior to the transfer of Council resources/assets to the North Lanarkshire Regeneration Company there will be the submitted a report to meetings of the Economic Regeneration Committee.

CENTRALISATION OF NORTH LANARKSHIRE CCTV SERVICES - APPOINTMENT OF CONTRACTOR (PHASE 3)

2. With reference to paragraph 8 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 30 August 2005, there was submitted a report (docketed) dated 8 November 2005 by the Director of Planning and Environment (1) providing details of tenders received in respect of the provision of a System Installer and Integration Services Contract for Phase 3 of the CCTV Centralisation Project; (2) intimating that as part of the post tender negotiation, the Contractors were given an opportunity to cost for additional equipment, and (3) recommending the lowest offer received, being that from Scotshield Limited, in the sum of £603,945, including additional equipment, for the provision of the System Installer and Integration Services Contract for the CCTV Centralisation Project, be accepted.

Decided: that the Director of Administration be authorised to accept the tender submitted by Scotshield Limited for the provision of the System Installer and Integration Services Contract for Phase 3 of the CCTV Centralisation Project in the sum of £603,945.

NEW DEAL IN LANARKSHIRE - DELIVERY PROPOSAL 2006-08

3. There was submitted a report dated 7 November 2005 by the Director of Planning and Environment (1) advising of the revised contractual packaging of the New Deal Programmes in Lanarkshire and East Dunbartonshire from April 2006; (2) outlining the background to the Council's involvement in the Government's New Deal Programme; (3) summarising the main elements of (a) the current New Deal Programme for 18-24 year olds, and (b) the revised New Deal Package in Lanarkshire; (4) intimating that Job Centre Plus wished to contract with organisations for delivery of a full range of New Deal requirements across Lanarkshire, and (5) seeking approval to submit a tender proposal to Job Centre Plus for the delivery of New Deal Programmes beyond the current contractual period.

Decided:

- (1) that a tender proposal be submitted to Job Centre Plus for the delivery of New Deal beyond the current contractual period, and
- (2) that the report be noted.