

Bingley Town Council, Myrtle Place, Bingley, BD16 2LF

# Minutes of the meeting of the Changing Places Working Group held at the Hub, Myrtle Place, Bingley, on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 6.30pm

Councillors present: Non Councillors present: Non member Councillors in attendance: Members of the public: Town Clerk: Abdul Malik, Helen Owen, Steve Williams Fiona Dunne Lewis Kirdale Two Eve Haskins

## Meeting commenced at 6.30pm.

#### 2122/29 Apologies for absence

Apologies received, and the reasons for absence approved, from Councillor Truelove and Darryl Smith.

#### 2122/30 Disclosures of interest

None received.

No written requests for dispensation received.

#### 2122/31 Minutes of previous meeting

**Resolved** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

#### 2122/32 Confidential items to be discussed in confidence after item 2122/38

Agreed that the item on tenders to be discussed under item 2122/39, after the exclusion of the press and public under the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act 1960 s1 (2), due to the confidential nature of the item.

#### 2122/33 Public Participation

The member of the public present was invited by the Chair to take part in discussions throughout the meeting, and noted that it has now been a year since the Hub was opened (October 2020) and they were still waiting for access to toilet facilities for their family.

#### 2122/34 Updates since last meeting

#### a) Update on Customer Requirement/building specifications document

The Chair reported that the Working Group need to check tenders received with reference to customer requirements to see if any requirements have been omitted.

#### b) Energy efficiency recommendations

The Chair reported that the tenders received all specify energy efficiency of the building, and the Town Clerk reported that Bradford Council will aid with energy efficiency once the Changing Places toilet is being built.

#### 2122/35 Funding

a) To receive an update on the Government funding pot, and consider the next steps The Chair reported that a member of the public and Fiona Dunne organised a virtual meeting with Julie Robinson-Joyce of Bradford Council, where they went through the specifications/outlined areas they have identified as suitable for Changing Places toilets across Bradford. Fiona Dunne had encouraged other residents to support this, and reported she will be attending another meeting with Bradford Council on 6<sup>th</sup> December: the Chair thanked them on behalf of the Council for going above and beyond for this cause. Councillor Kirdale reported that he has continued to liaise with Philip Davies MP to keep him informed on this issue.

# b) To receive an update on, and consider the next steps, regarding the proposed letters to national companies

The Chair reported that there were no updates on the national companies' responses to the funding letter. Agreed that the two local companies who have provided funding for this project to be contacted to update them, stating that their contribution is much valued, that the project is currently awaiting the government funding decision, and that they will be acknowledged once the Changing Places toilet is built.

# 2122/36 Business Case

The Chair reported that there is no update on the documentary case for the Changing Places toilet.

# 2122/37 Project Plan

The Chair reported that the Project Plan, which is used as a tracker rather than a projection plan, has been updated to incorporate the two month wait for the government funding decision, and explained that the next Full Council meeting after the November decision will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

## 2122/38 Exclusion of press and public

**Resolved** to exclude members of the press and public from item 2122/39 under the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings Act 1960 s1 (2)) during consideration of items of a confidential nature.

#### The members of the public and Councillor Kirdale left the meeting at 6.57pm.

## 2122/39 Updates on tenders/quotes

**Resolved** to recommend to the Full Council that the Changing Places Working Group investigates suppliers A and B further, including inviting them to meetings to discuss requirements.

## 2122/40 Date of next meetings

Date of the next meeting noted as being Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at 6.30pm in the Hub, Myrtle Place, Bingley, BD16 2LF.

#### Meeting closed at 7.20pm.