

## Communities, Parks and Leisure Policy Committee

### Meeting held 20 December 2022

**PRESENT:** Councillors Richard Williams (Chair), Paul Wood (Deputy Chair), Marieanne Elliot (Group Spokesperson), Sue Alston, Tony Downing, Bernard Little, Karen McGowan and Tim Huggan (Substitute Member)

#### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

1.1 Apologies were received from Councillor Alan Hooper.

#### **2. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

2.1 It was explained that there was a closed part of the report at item 9 in the agenda which was not available to the public and press because it contained exempt information described in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) relating to financial and business affairs. The Committee were therefore asked to formally exclude the public and press for the discussions on this item to allow for consideration of the sensitive information

#### **3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

3.1 There were no formal declarations of interest made at the meeting.

#### **4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

4.1 The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 26<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022 were approved as a correct record.

#### **5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS**

5.1 There were no petitions or questions received from members of the public.

#### **6. WORK PROGRAMME**

##### **6.1 RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:**

1. That the Committee's work programme, as set out in Appendix 1 be agreed, including any additions and amendments identified in Part 1;
2. That consideration be given to the further additions or adjustments to the work programme presented at Part 2 of Appendix 1; and
3. That Members give consideration to any further issues to be explored by officers for inclusion in Part 2 of Appendix 1 of the next work programme

report, for potential addition to the work programme.

6.2 It was agreed to arrange some library site visits.

## **7. 'BE THAT MATE' VIDEO SCREENING AND VERBAL UPDATE**

7.1 Chelsea Renehan introduced this item and was accompanied by 2 members of the youth cabinet involved in the creation of the video. The members of the youth cabinet explained and gave reasons as to why they had produced the video. Councillors praised and gave positive comments. Some further discussion took place surrounding collaboration with academies in the city and promotion of the video. The Chair explained that the youth cabinet members would be invited back next year to give an update on progress and gave thanks.

## **8. MORTOMLEY CLOSE RESURFACING**

8.1 The Head of Parks and Countryside introduced the report which provided members of the Committee with information regarding the resurfacing work to Mortomley Close and sought to agree next steps.

8.2 The legal advisor presented the legal advice contained in the exempt appendices to the report. Members asked questions of officers and responses were provided around the impact of the legal advice, resurfacing, date quotations, costings, increased prices of materials and number of households affected.

8.3 **RESOLVED:** That the **Communities, Parks and Leisure** Policy Committee:-

1. Note the content of the report and agree to uphold the original decision and progress the resurfacing/repair work to Mortomley Close.
2. Note that the road will continue to be an unadopted highway and the Council will not take on any further responsibility for future maintenance

### **8.4 Reasons for Decision**

8.4.1 To ensure an agreed position regarding the resurfacing of Mortomley Close.

### **8.5 Alternatives Considered and Rejected**

8.5.1 The Council could decide not to undertake the resurfacing work at Mortomley Close for the reasons identified in sections 1.2 and 1.3 of this report. This option is not recommended as it is not in line with the original agreement made when the Thorncliffe Football Hub was developed in 2015.

8.6 **Vote Result:** For – 5, Against – 2, Abstain – 1.