

**PLEASURAMA SITE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW TASK & FINISH GROUP: - WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2013/14 PROGRESS UPDATE REPORT**

**NAMES OF MEMBERS**

<b>ELECTED MEMBER</b>	<b>DESIGNATION</b>
Cllr Hornus	Chairman
Cllr Binks	
Cllr Campbell	
Cllr Driver	
Cllr Harrison	
Cllr Marson	
Cllr R. Nicholson	
Cllr Worrow	
<b>SUPPORTING OFFICERS</b>	<b>DESIGNATION</b>

<b>DATE OF MEETING/ACTIVITY</b>	<b>KEY AGENDA ITEMS CONSIDERED/ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN</b>	<b>WITNESSES INVITED</b>	<b>PROGRESS TO DATE / CHALLENGES ENCOUNTERED</b>
Meeting 1 18 July 2013 @ 7.00 pm	a. Election of Chairman b. Agreement of all items of business to be considered by working party in 2013/14 c. Agreement of timetable for all future meetings before final report is presented to Overview and Scrutiny Panel	Mark Seed, Director of Operational Services; Harvey Patterson; Corporate & Regulatory Services Manager	Members elected the Chairman, agreed the terms of reference and work programme for the subgroup. They requested and were given access (outside the meeting) to various documents relating to the investigation. These documents included due diligence reports: Summary Terms of Development Agreement between TDC and SFP Ventures (UK); Eversheds Option Agreement; Eversheds Mixed Use Site Lease

			<p>Eversheds Residential Premises Lease;  TDC-SFP Ventures (UK) Ltd Deposit Agreement, 2009  Related Local Plan, 1998;  Related Local Plan, 2006  Planning Committee Minutes, 7 January 2004;  Planning Committee Minutes 28 January 2004;  Pleasurama Planning Committee Report, 7 January 2004;  Pleasurama Planning Committee Report, 28 January 2004;</p>
<p>Meeting 2 Date/time  29 August 2013 @  7.00pm</p>		<p>Mark Seed, Director of Operational Services;  Harvey Patterson;  Corporate &amp; Regulatory Services Manager</p>	<p>The Group considered the due diligence report in a public session, having agreed to de-exempt the due diligence document. Harvey Patterson, Mark Seed gave evidence before the subgroup. Mr Patterson provided additional clarification regarding the information contained in the legal documents.  Members then forwarded to the OSP the following recommendations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. THAT the Corporate and Regulatory Services Manager requests the Leader of the Council as quickly as possible for an executive decision authorising him to seek external legal advice;</li> <li>2. THAT the Group recommends to Cabinet that no executive decision be taken in relation to further varying the Development</li> </ol>

			<p>Agreement, but that any recommendation in that regard be made to Council for final decision.</p> <p>1. The Panel forwarded these recommendations to Cabinet and the following decisions were made:</p> <p>2. Cabinet generally agreed that the Corporate &amp; Regulatory Services Manager had already been given authority to source for external legal advice;</p> <p>Cabinet agreed to note the report.</p> <p>Currently Council is awaiting the external legal advice.</p> <p>The subgroup drafted a set of questions for the CEx to respond in writing. CEx was also invited to give evidence at future meeting and to respond to supplementary questions from Members. The Group also agreed to consult with residents on any future options for the Pleasurama site.</p>
<p>Meeting 3 Date/time 31 October 2013</p>		<p>Sue McGonigal, CEx</p>	<p>Sue McGonigal, CEx gave evidence before the subgroup and provided further clarifications in relation to her written responses to Member Questions and the supplementary questions asked at the meeting. Some observations were made regarding corporate records keeping that appeared to require strengthening.</p>

			<p>The subgroup was asked to note that Council was in negotiation with the Developer. These negotiations had led to a new proposal being tabled by the developer. These proposals were still subject to wider consultation before being channelled through the formal decision making process.</p> <p>Members are awaiting the external legal advice from Pinsent Masons LLP.</p>
Final meeting Date/time	<p>a. Completion of final report b. Agreement of recommendations to be presented to the Overview and Scrutiny Panel</p>		