# WHITBY TOWN DEAL BOARD

# MONDAY 4th DECEMBER 2023

# 2:00PM @ EASTSIDE COMMUNITY CENTRE

# **MINUTES**

# **IN ATTENDANCE:**

Chair Barry Harland BH	Richard Flinton <b>RF</b>
Whitby Seafoods	NYC
Matt Parsons MP	Nic Harne <b>NH</b>
Anglo American	NYC
Paul Fellows <b>PF</b>	Sam Pollard <b>SP</b>
NYMNPA	DLHUC
Cllr Linda Wild <b>LW</b>	Peter Campey <b>PC</b>
Community Sector	DLHUC
Sandra Turner <b>ST</b>	Kerry Levitt KLV
Community Sector	NYC
Alex Richards <b>AR</b>	Helen Jackson <b>HJ</b>
NYC	NYC
Stephen Upright <b>SU</b>	Dan Fisher <b>DF</b>
Community Sector	NYC
Joe Redfern <b>JR</b>	Ellis Cooper <b>EC</b> minutes
Community Sector	NYC
Harriet Stainton <b>HS</b>	
YNY LEP	

# **SUMMARY OF ACTIONS**

• KLV to update board members of Broomfields Housing Development as progress is made.

# 1. APOLOGIES

- Rosie Du Rose, Beyond Housing
- Sir Robert Goodwill, MP
- Helen Knisis, NYC
- Chris Burrows, NYC
- Cllr Derek Bastiman
- 2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING

- 2.1. BH went through the minutes of the meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023. The minutes were agreed as a true record.
- 2.2. AR raised the letter received from the Whitby Community Network requesting the board to review the Whitby Maritime Hub and Whitby Old Town Hall projects. BH opened this matter up for discussion.
  - 2.2.1. BH stated that feedback from the Department of Levelling up was that there had been adequate consultation in the original process.
  - 2.2.2. ST stated that public interest is low in the beginning of projects. As the projects become more prominent the public become more interested yet there is a lack of engagement.
  - 2.2.3. PC states that there is just more than two years left to deliver the projects and with delivery issues clearer milestones are needed for the project.
  - 2.2.4. RF asked for the communications approach to be revisited.
  - 2.2.5. BH asked the board if they were happy with the current status of the projects. Board members confirmed they were.

#### 3. DECLERATIONS OF INTEREST

- 3.1. LW declared that she is the chair of Whitby Lobster Hatchery and has an interest in the Whitby Maritime Hub.
- 3.2. JR declared he is the general manger of the Whitby Lobster Hatchery and has an interest in the Whitby Maritime Hub.

#### 4. WHITBY MARITIME HUB - ALEX RICHARDS

- 4.1. AR presented the pre-planning consultation for the Whitby Maritime Hub.
- 4.2. MP questioned the planning process, AR confirmed it will be a full planning application.
- 4.3. ST praised the project but asked for clarity on the flood resilience and space for the fishing industry. AR confirmed that the building has been designed to be flood resilient with electrical outlets higher than the predicted flood level, flood resilient doors and temporary flood barriers when needed. There is an easement around the building/car park as there is now for the fishing industry to carry out their operations.
- 4.4. LW questioned how much dedicated parking there will be on Endeavour Wharf for the users of the building. AR confirmed that there is currently no dedicated parking

- for hub users other than restricted mobility parking for the building. A management plan will have to be established.
- 4.5. BH asked if the future of the building has been thought about in terms of expansion. AR stated that there would be additional capacity on the wharf for potential expansion of maritime activity should the project prove a success.
- 4.6. NH praised the evolution of the scheme as it has developed into a building that is fit for purpose and Whitby.
- 4.7. SU stressed that it should be more of an ambitious scheme to attract major businesses to the area. AR confirmed work is continuing to secure tenants for the building.
- 4.8. MP stated that board members should contribute at the in person stakeholder events.

#### 5. BROOMFIELDS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT - KERRY LEVITT

- 5.1. KLV provided an update on the Broomfields Housing project.
- 5.2. NH praised the progress of the project and the work done to get it to this point from the summer.
- 5.3. ST queried if the houses will be affordable homes for the community and if they will be used as second homes. NH stated that the housing will be affordable and this can consist of social rent, affordable rent and part ownership schemes. The precise mix for the scheme is to be developed. KLV stated that it will be in the grant agreement that they cannot be used for second homes.
- 5.4. BH asked for the key milestones of the project. KLV stated that the business case will be produced in the New Year. An interim meeting will be set up in for the board to review.

### 6. PROGRAMME OVERVIEW – DAN FISHER

- 6.1. DF provided an overview of the programme to the board.
- 6.2. LW queried the Old Town Hall's glazing option. AR stated planning permission has been granted without the glazing. Historic England didn't support the glazing element of the scheme.
- 6.3. BH questioned the risk of inflation with the cost of materials and how that has impacted the projects. DF stated that nothing has been directly raised but all project teams are highlighting that it is an issue they are aware of.

# 7. COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

- 7.1. BH queried the proposed window vinyls. AR confirmed that will no longer be going ahead due to a planning application needed, instead work is being carried out for information boards to go in community venues across Whitby.
- 7.2. ST asked if a dedicated Facebook page could be set up for the projects.

# **8.** A.O.B

8.1. JR questioned if the minutes of the meeting could be circulated to all board members before publication on the website.

# 9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024
- 10<sup>th</sup> June 2024
- 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2024
- 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024