

# **STAFFORDSHIRE MOORLANDS DISTRICT COUNCIL**

## **MOORLANDS PARTNERSHIP BOARD MEETING**

### **Minutes**

**TUESDAY 14 MARCH 2017**

PRESENT: Councillor H Sheldon (Chair)

Councillors R Alcock, A Banks, E Fallows, A Forrester, A Hart, H Jebb, T McNicol, A Mould and T Riley.

IN ATTENDANCE: G Bayliss Senior Conservation Officer  
J Brooks Regeneration Officer  
S Hampton Member and Community Services Officer  
J Ratcliffe Assistant Accountant

APOLOGIES: Councillors S E Ralphs MBE.

10 **MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING.**

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 27th September 2016 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

11 **MATTERS DEEMED BY THE CHAIR TO BE URGENT.**

There were on none.

12 **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:**

<b>Agenda No.</b>	<b>Member Declaring Interest</b>	<b>Nature of Interest</b>
Agenda Item 6 - Kissing Gate, Whitemore and any item relating to land or property which falls within the Peak Park.	Cllr A. Hart	Other – Knows the land owner. (Agenda Item 6)  Is a member of the Peak District National Park Planning Committee.
Agenda Item 7 - Stockton Brook Layby. - Memorial to Thomas Hulme in Endon village. - Two village interpretation	Cllr H. Jebb	Other – Member of Endon and Stanley Parish Council.

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panels		
Agenda Item 6 - Kissing Gate, Whitmore.  Agenda Item 7 – The Trough, Overton Road, Biddulph.	Cllr H. Sheldon	Other – Knows the land owner of the Kissing Gate, Whitmore and member of Biddulph Town Council.

### 13 **FINANCIAL REVIEW AND SUMMARY OF PROJECT ALLOCATIONS.**

The Board received a report which provided a financial summary of the work of the Moorlands Partnership Board over the last financial year and included financial tables which provided a summary of the allocation of grant funding.

Councillor Jebb thought that the Parish Council had claimed all monies for the improvements to the Stockton Brook Gateway and it was agreed that this would be looked into.

**RESOLVED** - That the report be noted.

### 14 **CURRENT STATUS OF PROJECTS.**

The Board received a report on the current status of projects at:-

- Bourne Fountain, Cheadle - *Awaiting commencement.*
- Mile Marker, Froghall to Uttoxeter - *Works completed and grant paid.*
- Cheddleton Station Crossing Gates - *Awaiting commencement.*
- 14 Market Place, Leek - *Commencement due May 2017.*
- 36 Stockwell Street, Leek - *Repairs to sash windows complete but decoration still to be undertaken.*
- Kissing gate, Whitmore - *Awaiting commencement.*
- Kissing gate and railings, Old Forge Dyeworks - *Awaiting commencement.*
- 18 Deansgate, Leek - *Works completed but additional works required before grant payment.*
- Cheddleton Flint Mill - *Works started but ongoing. Works now complete and grant paid*
- No3 Clerk Bank, Leek - *Works complete and grant paid.*
- Gazebo, Whitehough, Ipstones - *Awaiting commencement.*

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- Barn, Whitehough, Ipstones - *Awaiting commencement.*
- High St House, Leek - *Awaiting commencement.*
- No1 Clerk Bank, Leek - *Works on site but issues about quality of work.*
- War Memorial Oakamoor - *Works complete and grant paid.*
- 67 Tape Street, Cheadle - *Awaiting commencement.*
- 7C Stanley Street - *Application withdrawn*
- 17 Edward Street, Leek - *Awaiting commencement.*
- Derby Street Bollards, Leek - *Awaiting commencement.*

**RESOLVED** - That the report be noted.

### 15 **APPROVAL OF PROJECTS.**

The Board received a report seeking approval and giving information about the following projects:-

- 9 – 11 High Street, Dilhorne
- Milepost on the Leek to Buxton road.
- Froghall Wharf Warehouse, Froghall Wharf
- Choir House, Cheddleton.
- Nabwood, Lake Road, Rudyard: Reinstatement of Staffordshire blue tiled roof.
- Stockton Brook layby.
- Memorial to Thomas Hulme in Endon
- Village interpretation panels in Endon village.

**RESOLVED:** a) That a grant of £4,000 (inc of VAT) be offered towards the restoration of traditional joinery details at 9 – 11 High Street, Dilhorne, subject to the standard grant scheme conditions and the following technical conditions:

- All new joinery details constructed and detailed as approved through the listed building application ref SMD/2016/0722;
- Colour scheme to be agreed through the listed building application process;
- Accurate estimates are obtained following approval of detailed constructional drawings and the grant offer revised accordingly, if the lowest estimate should fall below £8,000.

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- b) That a grant of £234 (inc of VAT) or 50 % of eligible costs, whichever is the lesser, be offered towards the renovation of the stolen milepost on the Leek to Buxton road, subject to the standard grant scheme conditions and the following technical conditions:
- The base of the milepost shall be reinstated in accordance with David Wright's 'Sketch Showing Proposed Repairs to Cast Iron Milestone, A53 – Leek – Buxton Road', dated 12th July 2016;
  - The repainting of the milepost shall be carried out in accordance with the Milestone Society's 'Guidance Note on Painting Cast Iron Waymarkers'.
- c) That a grant of £952.50 (exc VAT) or 50% of eligible costs, which ever is the lesser, be offered towards the cost of restoring traditional boarded doors at Froghall Wharf Warehouse, Froghall Wharf, subject to the standard grant scheme conditions and the following technical conditions:
- New doors to be manufactured and installed in accordance with the listed building consent SMD/2016/0579 and drawings 1618 AL14 H, AL20 A and AL19 A. Any variations are to be agreed with the conservation officer prior to manufacture;
  - Agree the exact details and specification for the finish of the doors and signage with the conservation officer.
- d) That a grant of £4,000 (inc of VAT) is offered towards the cost of renewing and repairing traditional windows and doors at the Choir House, Cheddleton, subject to the standard conditions and the following technical conditions:
- The exact details of the new doors, windows and finishes to be agreed with the conservation officer prior to manufacture.
- e) That a grant of £4,000 (exc VAT) is offered towards the cost of reinstating Staffordshire Blue tiles to the roof of a residential property within the Rudyard Conservation Area, subject to the standard conditions and the following technical conditions:
- That the new tiles to the main roof match the existing tiles to the canted bays in terms of materials, colour and size;
  - A sample tile is agreed with the conservation officer prior to commencement of works.

*(Councillor Jebb declared an 'Other Interest' for items f, g and h below and did not vote)*

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- f) That a grant of £2590 (exc VAT) or 50% of eligible costs, whichever is the lesser, be offered towards the cost of carrying out enhancement works to the Stockton Brook layby, subject to the standard grant scheme conditions and the following technical conditions:
- Works to be carried out in accordance with the proposed layout plan.
- g) That a grant of £307.50 (exc VAT) or 50% of eligible costs, whichever is the lesser, be offered towards the cost of installing a stone memorial to Thomas Hulme in Endon village, subject to the standard grant scheme conditions.
- h) That a grant contribution of £245 (exc VAT) be offered towards the eligible costs of repairing two village interpretation panels, subject to the standard grant scheme conditions.
- i) That the grant application of £4,000 (inc of VAT) towards the eligible costs of repairing St Edward's Summer Houses estimated to be in the region of £15,000, be **deferred** until the following meeting of the Board when the information below had been ascertained:
- Evidence of the level of use of the summer houses and gardens by the public
  - If a contribution towards the cost of repair could be met by the local residents' group

Due to an application being received the day prior to the meeting, the Board agreed to consider a verbal application for the restoration of The Trough, Overton Road, Biddulph.

*(Councillor Hart and Councillor Sheldon declared 'Other interests' for this agenda item and did not vote)*

RESOLVED: That a maximum grant of £2575 (inc of VAT) be offered towards the eligible costs of restoring The Trough, Overton Road, Biddulph, subject to the standard grant scheme conditions and the following conditions:-

- A second quotation for the work to be supplied
- Listed Building Consent

Members also noted the following list of anticipated grant applications that, subject to funding, were likely to come forward at the next Moorlands Partnership Meeting:

- Russell St enhancements;
- Biddulph Town Council various small memorial projects;
- Flint Mill Cheddleton;

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- Cheadle railway interpretation panel.

Discussion took place around acknowledgment by the recipients of grant funding and suggestions were made such as the installation of a plaque at a site and a press release. The Board wished for it to be noted that the Churnet Valley Railway had received grant funding from the Moorlands Partnership Board.

Officers agreed to review the conditions of grant offer to ensure some form of publicity by way of press release or plaque if possible is undertaken by the applicant and the contribution of the MPB is adequately acknowledged.

### 16 REVIEW OF OPERATIONAL GUIDE, TERMS OF REFERENCE AND CONSTITUTION OF THE PARTNERSHIP.

The Board considered a report which outlined some proposed amendments to the Operational Guide, Terms of Reference and Constitution of the Partnership.

For the Board to operate effectively and fairly, it was important that it was clear about its constitution and terms of reference. The Board compiled the Operational Guide, Terms of Reference and Constitution of the Partnership which it had reviewed from time to time. The last time that the document was reviewed was in 2013.

**RESOLVED:** That the proposed amendments to the Operational Guide, Terms of Reference and Constitution of the Partnership be approved subject to:

- a) The Moorlands Partnership Board meeting 3 times per year (first meeting to be at the beginning of the financial year);
- b) A regular update to be provided for long term projects/grants.

### 17 ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

The meeting closed at 11.54 am

\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Date