

EXTRACT of MINUTES of a meeting of the COMMUNITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE held in the Remote Meeting using Microsoft Teams on WEDNESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY 2021

Present: Councillor B Harrison-Rushton (in the Chair)

Councillors C C Benfield, A J Bridgen, J Clarke (Substitute for Councillor D Harrison), T Eynon, J Geary, G Hault, K Merrie MBE and M B Wyatt

Portfolio Holders: Councillors R D Bayliss, R Blunt, T Gillard and A C Woodman

Officers: Mr J Arnold, Mr J Bright, C Colvin, K Hiller, Mr C Lambert, Mr P Sanders, Mr B Walford, Mr P Wheatley, Mrs R Wallace, Ms L Walker and Miss E Warhurst

## **28. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillor D Harrison.

The Committee joined the Deputy Chairman in sending their best wishes to Councillor D Harrison who was currently at home recovering from Covid-19.

## **29. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Councillor T Eynon declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 8 – Coalville Regeneration as a volunteer at local radio station Hermitage FM.

Councillor M B Wyatt declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 8 – Coalville Regeneration as a Coalville business owner.

## **35. COALVILLE REGENERATION**

The Regeneration Project Manager presented the report to Members, with the support of Councillor R Blunt, Portfolio Holder and Leader of the Council, who also addressed the Committee.

Members were disappointed with the outcome of the unsuccessful bid but appreciated the efforts made to put forward a strong bid application. Strong support was given by Members to continue to push on with the project and were enthusiastic about the possibility of further funding in the future.

A comment was made in relation to the support given to the owners of the Red House in the town as it had a mixed history that had not been too successful. The Regeneration Project Manager confirmed the support as stated in the report and offered to provide further information outside of the meeting if required.

As result of further discussion, a suggestion was made to consider in the near future, approaching the owners of the Bakery to assist in tidying up the building as it was very untidy and could discourage any development in the vicinity.

Councillor R Blunt thanked officers for their support on the project to date and thanked Members across all political parties for being a critical friend.

It was moved by Councillor B Harrison-Rushton, seconded by Councillor J Clarke and by affirmation of the meeting it was

RESOVLED THAT:

The outcome of the Future High Streets Fund bid for Coalville be noted.