

STROUD TOWN COUNCIL

**Minutes of the meeting of  
THE REGENERATION COMMITTEE  
20<sup>th</sup> August 2020 at 10.00AM  
Online meeting via Zoom**

**Present**

Cllrs Chas Townley (Chair), Geoffrey Andrews (until item 6), John Bloxsom, Kevin Cranston, Steve Dechan (Deputy Chair), Camilla Hale, Lucas Schoemaker

**In attendance**

Helen Bojaniwska (Town Clerk), Kate Montgomery (Deputy Clerk), Alison Rood (Project Officer); Gloucestershire County Council: Councillor: Eva Ward, Dan Tiffney (Local Highways Manager) (until Item 7); Mike Hammond (Community Services Manager); Stroud Chamber: Tony Davey and Andrew Watton; Stroud Civic Society and Stroud Preservation Trust: Hugh Barton

**1. Apologies**

Stroud District Council: Brendan Cleere (Strategic Director of Place); Stroud Tourism Forum: Hannah McDonnell

**2. Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Geoffrey Andrews declared a personal interest as a member of the Sortition Foundation (item 6).

**3. Requests for dispensations**

There were no requests for dispensations.

**4. Questions from members of the public**

None received.

**5. Minutes of previous meeting**

The minutes of the Committee meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2020 were **approved** by the members present and will be signed as a correct record by the Chair at the next possible opportunity.

**6. Consideration of report regarding Town Centre Movement Consultation**

The Project Officer presented a report describing the process and estimated costs of undertaking a town centre movement consultation using a Citizens' Jury. Details were also provided on an online interactive heatmap consultation method to be used in conjunction with a Citizens' Jury.

The Committee were broadly supportive of the Citizens' Jury process, but voiced reservations over the suitability of the approach, likely cost, and timescale for use for a town centre movement consultation. It was felt that any consultation should be focused on refining existing proposed projects in order to ensure their deliverability. Cllr Andrews left the meeting. Members **agreed** the Citizens Jury should not be pursued, but the online heatmap consultation should be implemented. The Clerk was requested to develop a package of location specific projects in and around the town centre for discussion at the next committee meeting.

**Action:** Project Officer to set up heatmap consultation. Project Officer and Clerk to identify specific projects for discussion at next committee.

**7. Approve implementation plan for Phase 1 of signage project**

Committee members highlighted some minor amendments to the proposed designs and stressed the need for accuracy in the detail of the signage. It was noted that GWR had previously offered to Creative Sustainability two panels at Stroud station for Stroud Station Adoption Group. It was agreed to collaborate with the Station Adoption Group regarding the renewal of these panels. It was **agreed** to progress the implementation of the project, subject to the detailed checking of sample images.

The meeting ended at 11:56 am.

Chair..... Date.....