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**MINUTES** of a meeting of the **CABINET MEMBER FOR STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP, CULTURE AND TOURISM** held on 6 December 2019 at County Hall, Matlock

**PRESENT**

Cabinet Member – Councillor B Lewis

**23/19** **MINUTES RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 22 November 2019 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Cabinet Member.

**24/19** **COMMUNITY PRIORITIES PROGRAMME** On 5 September 2019 the Cabinet Member approved the return of unspent programme funds totalling £141,975 to General Reserves and confirmed the formal closure of the programme.

On 10 September 2019 an additional request for funding of £9,500 under the Community Priorities Programme was submitted by Councillor Simon Spencer. This project which was being undertaken by Youlgrave Parish Council was in urgent need of funding.

Youlgrave Parish Council had been undertaking a major project to replace the 1930 toilet block and store with a new store with a new store and toilets incorporating Youlgrave's first Radar key Disabled toilet. The project had suffered some unforeseen setbacks and further complications had increased the costs of the work required.

The majority of the funding for this work had been raised through an Honesty Box at Coldwell End Car Park set aside over 14 years. In addition they had also received a £10,000 grant from Awards for All. They were now at the final fix stage and village contractors were supporting the project by carrying out work at reduced rates. Unfortunately the parish council had now run out of build budget. It had been estimated that they needed another £9,500 to coat the walls and floors and carry out the electrical and plumbing work required to complete the building.

This additional project would bring the total spend throughout the life of the Community Priorities Programme to £2,138,525. It was recommended that any further projects that were identified by 31 December 2019, be reviewed on a case by case basis. Subsequently a further report would be brought to the Cabinet Member to confirm the amount of funding not committed that point in time, to be returned to the General Reserve.

**RESOLVED** to (1) note the additional project requesting funding of £9,500;

(2) note the total programme spend to date of £2,138,525;

(3) review any further projects identified on a case by case basis; and

(4) receive a further report to confirm the revised amount of unspent programme funds that will be returned to General Reserves.

**25/19 URGENT DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF COMMISSIONING, COMMUNITIES AND POLICY DERBYSHIRE FLOODS HARDSHIP FUND FOR RESIDENTS AND DERBYSHIRE FLOODS BUSINESS HARDSHIP FUND**

The Cabinet Member was asked to note the urgent decisions taken by the Executive Director Commissioning, Communities and Policy in accordance with the Council's constitution to:

- Establish a Hardship Fund to support residents in financial hardship as a result of the floods experienced in early November 2019;
- Establish a Hardship Fund to support small businesses in Derbyshire affected by the flooding experienced in early November 2019.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

**26/19 APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES RESOLVED** to approve the appointment of Mrs Beverley Kenyon as a County Council representative, to serve on the Dronfield Henry Fanshawe School Foundation Trust.