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MINUTES of a meeting of the **CABINET MEMBER FOR CLEAN GROWTH AND REGENERATION** held virtually on MS Teams on 9 July 2020

PRESENT

Cabinet Member – Councillor T King

Also in attendance – Councillors G Hickton and R Mihaly

06/20 **MINUTES RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 19 March 2020 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Cabinet Member.

07/20 **REGENERATION OF THE FORMER COALITE CHEMICALS SITE** Cabinet agreed, on 11 October 2016, to approve grant funding of £2.0022m towards the £21.8m regeneration of the former Coalite Chemicals site. Bolsover Land Ltd (BLL) also secured £5,797,800 Local Growth Fund (LGF) grant funding from Derby, Derbyshire, Nottingham and Nottinghamshire (D2N2) towards the costs of the regeneration works. The purpose of the report was to approve the revised Grant Confirmation Document, dated 5 May 2020 issued by D2N2 and the programme of payments for the previously agreed Derbyshire County Council grant contribution as set out in the attached appendix.

The business case required BLL to achieve a series of spend target dates and outputs: these were achieved but BLL had not yet claimed the Council contribution of £2.0022m towards the costs of the infrastructure. BLL had achieved the target of 28.2ha of land remediated, but not the other output targets.

As a result of HS2 Ltd announcing a revised alignment for the proposed High Speed HS2 route through the site, BLL, D2N2, North East Derbyshire District Council and Bolsover District Council, sought to revise the planned layout and use of the site, resulting in the removal of all the proposed housing land to be replaced with a greater area of commercial development. These design revisions and the process of securing the necessary regulatory approvals took longer than originally anticipated.

BLL had secured full planning permission from both NEDDC and BDC for completing the remediation of the site for employment use. A Masterplan for the whole site development had also been agreed, along with a design framework. Work was underway to complete the remediation of the site following the completion of Phase 1 in 2017. BLL had also agreed a revised programme for completing the highway infrastructure and approached D2N2 to seek a revised funding approval based on the revised outputs of:

New Jobs	2,253
Area of commercial development:	42.49ha

D2N2 agreed BLL's revised funding request and issued the revised Grant Confirmation Document on 5 May 2020. Appendix 1 set out revised target dates for the completion of the works and illustrated the key milestones that claims for payment of the Council's contribution towards the infrastructure costs would be assessed against prior to the authorisation of stage payments.

RESOLVED that the Cabinet Member (1) accept and sign the revised Grant Confirmation Document, dated 5 May 2020, issued by Derby, Derbyshire, Nottingham and Nottinghamshire (D2N2); and

(2) agree to delegate responsibility to the Executive Director – Economy, Transport and Environment to agree a programme of payments with Bolsover Land Ltd (BLL) for the previously agreed Derbyshire County Council grant contribution, as BLL achieve the revised outputs and target for completing the infrastructure for the regeneration of the former Coalite Chemicals site.