



REPORT of CHIEF EXECUTIVE

**to
PLANNING AND LICENSING COMMITTEE
2 MARCH 2017**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 Economic Development works towards strengthening and encouraging development of the local economy. It was agreed that a regular report would be submitted to this Committee to update Members on key issues and provide an opportunity for feedback and input.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- (i) that Members note the contents of the report;

To the Council:

- (ii) that the Council provide in principle support to the Heritage Marine Foundation's maritime apprenticeship project, subject to all necessary planning and environmental requirements being met.

3. SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

- 3.1 **APPENDIX 1** to the report provides an update on activity on a various economic development workstreams as follows:

- Coastal Community Teams (CCT) – Members' attention is drawn to the recommendation detailed within this section of update.
- Business Support
- Business Engagement
- Bradwell Legacy Partnership (BLP)
- Magnox/Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA)
- Enterprise Centre for the Maldon District
- Sense of Place (SOP)
- Skills
- Economic Regeneration
- Industrial Strategy

- Essex Economic Commission.

3.2 Members' attention is drawn to Section 1 of **APPENDIX 1** which seeks the Council's support to the Heritage Marine Foundation's maritime apprenticeship project, subject to all necessary planning and environmental requirements being met.

4. IMPACT ON CORPORATE GOALS

4.1 The work of the Economic Development Team in partnership with key stakeholders will help to create opportunities for economic growth and prosperity.

5. IMPLICATIONS

- (i) **Impact on Customers** – Engagement with businesses and organisations across the district as well as supporting the District at sub-region level.
- (ii) **Impact on Equalities** – None identified.
- (iii) **Impact on Risk** – Work of the Economic Development Team helps to mitigate against Corporate Risk 11 – Failure of the Council to influence partners and support / encourage economic prosperity.
- (iv) **Impact on Resources (financial)** – The Team are being proactive in seeking funding to create opportunities for economic prosperity in our District.
- (v) **Impact on Resources (human)** – The proposed bid to source funding to help support Secretariat costs for the Bradwell Legacy Partnership will deliver a continuation of the resource to focus on delivery of the projects set out in the Bradwell Legacy Partnership and Coastal Communities Plan.
- (vi) **Impact on the Environment** – None identified.

Background Papers: None.

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