

**A MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY BOARD
WAS HELD 15 SEPTEMBER 2014 AT 6PM**

Chairman of the Policy and Organisation Board (Councillor Hook) (P), Bateman, Mrs Batty (P), Burgess (P), Mrs Cully, Dickson (P), Edgar (P), Foster-Reed (P), Gill (P), Hazel (P), Mrs Hook (P), Hylands (P), Mrs Morgan, Murphy

It was reported that in accordance with Standing Order 2.3.6, Councillors Hook, Gill and Wright been nominated to replace Councillors Bateman, Mrs Morgan and Mrs Cully for this meeting.

15. APOLOGIES

Apologies for inability to attend the meeting were received from, Councillors Bateman, Murphy, Mrs Morgan and Mrs Cully.

16. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY BOARD HELD ON 30 JUNE 2014

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Board held on 30 June 2014, be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

17. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- Councillor Edgar declared a personal interest in item 7 of the agenda as he was a Hampshire County Council Councillor but he had had no involvement in the proposed development.

18. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations.

19. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no public questions.

PART II

20. ST VINCENT ROAD HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

Consideration was given to a report by the Housing Services Manager which outlined the progress made in developing plans for the future of the St Vincent Road bungalow site.

Members were advised by the Housing Services Manager that the development would consist of up to 18 affordable houses and that an open day at the site was proposed to take place this month. A drawing of the proposed houses (14 x 2 bedroom and 2 x 3 bedroom was circulated to Members.

Members welcomed the scheme and recognised the need to deliver affordable homes in Gosport for households on the housing register.

RESOLVED: That the Community Board agrees:

- a) To waive Section 8.1;9;11 and 13 of the Council's Contract Procedure Rules
- b) To appoint First Wessex as Project Manager and to the procurement of the professional team and building contractor being undertaken as set out in Paragraph 2.5 of the report; and
- c) To provide up to 18 houses on the site

21. NEW EXTRA CARE PROVISION

Councillor Edgar declared a personal interest in this item remained in the meeting room and took part in the discussion and voting thereon.

Consideration was given to a report from the Housing Services Manager which provided details of a new build extra care scheme at Addenbrooke, Slocum House and Alec Rose House that had been proposed by Hampshire County Council.

Members were advised that the proposal included the demolition of Alex Rose and Slocum house.

The Housing Services Manager advised Members that the report presented details of partnership working with Hampshire County Council.

Members were advised that the proposal would give existing Gosport Borough Council tenants from Slocum House and Alec Rose House the opportunity to return to the new properties with rent/service charges remaining the same.

RESOLVED: That the Community Board agrees:

- a) that the Housing Services Manager in consultation with the Chairman of the Community Board continues working on the detailed proposals for the redevelopment of the Addenbrooke/Slocum/Alex Rose House site to deliver an Extra Care Housing Scheme.
- b) Approval subject to a suitable right to return scheme for existing tenants as outlined in paragraph 2.4 of the Housing Services Manager's report

22. ALVER VALLEY COUNTRY PARK

Consideration was given to a report from the Chief Executive advising Members of the progress of a number of projects within the Alver Valley Country Park.

The Chief Executive advised Members that the Alver Valley Country Park had been identified by Natural England, Solent Enterprise Partnership (SLEP) and the Partnership for Urban South Hampshire (PUSH) as a location to develop green open-space of sub-regional importance.

It was further advised by the Chief Executive that Officers had been pursuing funding opportunities in respect of possible projects within the Alver Valley to encourage use of the park for residents.

Members were advised that Officers had submitted a bid to the PUSH green infrastructure fund to create a footpath linking Stokes Bay to Apple Dumpling Bridge which would run from Browndown Road to Apple Dumpling Bridge alongside the River Alver and encourage families and dog walkers to enter the country park from Stokes Bay and included 'dog dipping' areas where dogs could swim safely.

In respect to a Member's question relating to the 17 Century Village, the Chief Executive advised that proposals included a new entrance at Grange Farm from Howe Road with improved car park facilities and access improvements.

RESOLVED: That Members note the progress being made with projects in the Alver Valley Country Park.

23. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the under-mentioned item of business on the grounds that the report included information relating to the financial or business affairs of third party companies/bidders and therefore the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information as defined in paragraph 3 Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act.

24. EXTERNAL PAINTING AND COMMUNAL AREA REDECORATION (INCLUDING ASSOCIATED REPAIR WORKS) CONTRACT 2014/2021

Consideration was given to an exempt report of the Housing Services Manager informing Members of the outcome of contractor evaluation process in the procurement of the External Painting and Communal Area Redecoration (including Associated Repair Works) Contract 2014-2021.

RESOLVED: That the Community Board award the contract to Novus Solutions to provide the service to the Council.

The meeting concluded at: 6.30pm

CHAIRMAN