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A MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD WAS HELD ON 2 NOVEMBER 2011

The Mayor (Councillor CR Carter) (ex-officio); Chairman of the Policy and Organisation Board (Councillor Hook) (P), Councillors Allen (P), Chegwyn (P), Edgar (P), Mrs Forder, Mrs Hook (P), Kimber (P), Lane (P), Langdon (P), Ronayne (P) and Mrs Searle (P).

27. APOLOGIES

Apologies for inability to attend the meeting were received from the Mayor and Councillor Mrs Forder.

28. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Edgar declared that he had previously donated a proportion of his devolved County Council budget to Brendoncare.

29. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Economic Development Board meeting held on 21 September 2011 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

The Chairman requested that thanks be recorded to the Gosport Borough Council Officers, PUSH and the Solent LEP for their support and effort with the Daedalus SPD. It was also acknowledged that the support of the Member of Parliament for Gosport had been valuable.

30. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations.

31. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no public questions.

PART II

32. PREMISES AT THE ANCHORAGE – THE BRENDONCARE FOUNDATION

Consideration was given to a report of the Housing Services Manager seeking the Board's approval to grant a new 7 year lease to the Brendoncare Foundation at the existing rent of £4500 per annum.

The Board was advised that Brendoncare provided a wide range of activities for participants. These included speakers, games, trips and arts and crafts.

The Board recognised that the proposed charge represented good value for the service provided and it was confirmed that the group received 100% rate relief.

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The Board felt that a reduction in the rent charge would not be appropriate and it was confirmed that Brendoncare were happy with the proposed amount.

It was confirmed that the rent would not be subject to an incremental increase over the seven years.

The Board recognised the important work that the group undertook and that the proposed £4500 per annum charge for rent be approved.

RESOLVED: That:

- a) the granting of a new lease to The Brendoncare Foundation for a term of 7 years at the existing rent of £4500 per annum be approved; and
- b) the Borough Solicitor be authorised to enter into such legal documentation as is necessary to effect the above decision.

33. DISPOSAL OF GARAGES – BEAUCHAMP AVENUE GARAGE SITE

Consideration was given to a report of the Housing Services Manager seeking Board approval for the disposal of the freehold of 13 garages in Beauchamp Avenue.

It was confirmed to the Board that there were 13 garages to be sold, not 14 as detailed in the report of the Housing Manger.

RESOLVED: That:

- a) the Head of Property Services be authorised, on behalf of Housing Services, to agree terms for the sale of the freehold interest in the Beauchamp Avenue Garage site; and
- b) authority be granted to the Borough Solicitor to enter into such legal documentation as is necessary to effect the above decision.

34. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

CONCLUDED 6.12PM

CHAIRMAN