

BASSETLAW ENTERPRISE BOARD

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 28th May 2012 at Worksop Town Hall

Present:

Councillor S Toms (Chairman)
Councillors K H Isard, D Pidwell, T Rafferty and M Storey
Co-opted Members: S Raison

Officers in attendance: C Crossland, R Wilkinson.

1. NOMINATIONS FOR THE ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor S Toms be elected Chairman of the Bassetlaw Enterprise Board for the ensuing year.

2. NOMINATIONS FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor T Rafferty be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Bassetlaw Enterprise Board for the ensuing year.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from co-opted member C Weingaertner.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

(a) Members

There were no declarations of interest by Members.

(b) Officers

There were no declarations of interest by officers.

5. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16TH APRIL 2012

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 16TH April 2012 be approved.

SECTION A – ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION IN PUBLIC

Key Decisions

None.

Other Decisions

None.

6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

RESOLVED that, in accordance with Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, and after considering the public interest test as set out by the officer in the body of the report, Members agreed that the following items of business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1 and 2, and, therefore, in accordance with Section 100A of the Act, the press and public be excluded from the meeting:

Agenda Item No 6(a) Progress Update on Grants and Loans approved by Bassetlaw Enterprise Board – Paragraphs 1 and 2

Agenda Item No 6(b) Reconsider a Deferred Decision on Application 2067 made at the meeting held on 5th September 2011 – Minute No. 13(b) (i) – Paragraphs 1 and 2

Agenda Item No 6(c)(i) – New Application 2095 – Paragraphs 1 and 2

Agenda Item No 6(c)(ii) – New Application 2096 – Paragraphs 1 and 2

Agenda Item No 6(c)(iii) – New Application 2097 – Paragraphs 1 and 2

Agenda Item No 6(c)(iv) – New Application 2098– Paragraphs 1 and 2

Agenda Item No 6(c)(v) – New Application 2099 – Paragraphs 1 and 2

Agenda Item No 6(c)(vi) – New Application 3000 – Paragraphs 1 and 2

SECTION B – ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION IN PRIVATE

Key Decisions

None.

Other Decisions

None.

7. REPORT(S) OF THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

(a) Progress Update on Grants and Loans Approved by Bassetlaw Enterprise Board

The Board was given an update on grants and loans approved by Bassetlaw Enterprise Board. It was noted that the balance currently available for the award of grants in 2012/13 is £18,815.00. A summary of Business Support expenditure for 2012/13 was given. Details of loans in arrears were appended to the report.

RESOLVED that:

1. The progress report be received.
2. Outstanding loan repayments on applications 970 and 929 be pursued and reported back to the Board.

(b) Reconsider a Deferred Decision on Application 2067 made at the meeting held on 5th September 2011 – Minute No. 13(b) (i)

At the meeting on the 5th September 2011 an application for financial assistance was considered by the Board to assist in establishing a Hair Salon business in Worksop. Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman recommended that the application be deferred for six months to allow the applicant to submit further sales figures for consideration. A further six months of figures have now been submitted for consideration by the Board.

Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman

RECOMMENDED that:

1. The application be not supported.
2. The terms and conditions of Bassetlaw Enterprise Board Grants be circulated to Board Members.

(c) New Applications

(i) Application No 2095

An application for financial assistance was considered by the Board towards the costs of rails and dress making display rails, changing room area, small table and two chairs for seating area, 2 full length mirrors, web design, signage etc, printer, camera and consumables, paint, shelving, business mobile phone, dress bags and quality hangers and stationary to assist in establishing a dress hire business in Worksop which will create part time employment for the applicant.

Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman

RECOMMENDED that the application be not supported.

(ii) New Application 2096

An application for financial assistance was considered by the Board towards the costs of a laptop and printer, office desk, chair, filing cabinet, draws and cabinet, software, electronics (drives, readers etc) and marketing costs to help establish a computer teaching and technical support business in Retford which has created self-employment for the applicant.

Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman

RECOMMENDED that the application be not supported.

(iii) New Application 2097

An application for financial assistance was considered by the Board towards the costs of decoration, shelving, floor covering etc, reception desk, chairs, laptop, advertising (wedding website design, local press, uniforms, signage) and stationary (business cards, posters, leaflets) to establish an interior design company business in Worksop which has created self-employment for the applicants.

Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman

RECOMMENDED that:

1. The applicant be awarded a grant of £1,500 towards the costs of decoration, shelving, floor covering etc, reception desk, chairs, laptop, advertising (wedding website design, local press, uniforms, signage) and stationary (business cards, posters, leaflets) providing that evidence of payment is submitted for at least £3,000.
2. The award be conditional upon a progress update being provided by the applicant in six months, twelve months and eighteen months time and the applicant paying the £3.50 fee per applicant consumer search.

(iv) New Application 2098

An application for financial assistance was considered by the Board towards the cost of a laptop and software, water-fed drill, trailer, website and stationary (brochures, business cards) for a monumental mason business in Rhodesia which has created self-employment for the applicant.

Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman

RECOMMENDED that:

1. The applicant be awarded a grant of £1,325 towards the costs of a laptop and software, water-fed drill, trailer, website and stationary (brochures, business cards) providing that evidence of payment is submitted for at least £2,650.
2. The award be conditional upon a progress update being provided by the applicant in six months, twelve months and eighteen months time and the applicant paying the £3.50 fee per applicant consumer search.

(v) New Application 2099

An application for financial assistance was considered by the Board towards the cost of refurbishment (flooring, shelving etc) and furniture (mirrors, tables, chairs, beds etc) for a hair and beauty clinic business in Worksop that will create self-employment for the applicants and two further full time positions.

Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman

RECOMMENDED that the application be not supported.

(vi) New Application 3000

An application for financial assistance was considered by the Board towards the cost of refurbishment (shelving, counters and repaint), equipment (coffee machine, tables and chairs) web design, advertising (signage) and stationary (menus etc) for a sandwich business in Carlton-in-Lindrick that has created self-employment for the applicant and a further two part time positions.

Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman

RECOMMENDED that:

1. The applicant be awarded a grant of £1,500 towards the costs of refurbishment (shelving, counters and repaint), equipment (coffee machine, tables and chairs) web design, advertising (signage) and stationary (menus etc) providing that evidence of payment is submitted for at least £3,000.
2. The award be conditional upon a progress update being provided by the applicant in six months, twelve months and eighteen months time and the applicant paying the £3.50 fee per applicant consumer search.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS TO BE URGENT

As there was no other urgent business to be discussed, the Chairman closed the meeting.