

BASSETLAW ENTERPRISE BOARD

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 18th April 2011 at Worksop Town Hall

Present:

Councillor C Wanless. (Chairman – Vice in Chair)
Councillors D R Pressley, A Simpson and S Toms
Co-opted Members: N Kirk and S Raison

Officers in attendance: C Crossland, R Wilkinson.

46. APPOINTMENT OF CO-OPTED MEMBERS

The Committee welcomed the newly co-opted member Mr N Kirk from Business Link, to the meeting and was informed that Mr P Elliot would remain on the Committee as a private co-opted Member.

RESOLVED that the position be noted.

47. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor K Isard and co-opted member P Elliot.

48. 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.

49. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7TH MARCH 2011

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 7th March 2011 be approved.

SECTION A – ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION IN PUBLIC

Key Decisions

None.

Other Decisions

None.

50. 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 4(a) Progress Update on Grants and Loans approved by Bassetlaw Enterprise Board – Paragraphs 1 and 2

Agenda Item No 4(b)(i) – New Application 2058 – Paragraphs 1 and 2

Agenda Item No 4(b)(ii) – New Application 2060 – Paragraphs 1 and 2

Agenda Item No 4(b)(iii) – New Application 2062 – Paragraphs 1 and 2

Agenda Item No 4(b)(iv) – New Application 2064 – Paragraphs 1 and 2

Agenda Item No 4(b)(v) – New Application 2053 – Paragraphs 1 and 2

Agenda Item No 4(b)(vi) – New Application 2059 – Paragraphs 1 and 2

SECTION B – ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION IN PRIVATE

Key Decisions

None.

Other Decisions

None.

51. 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 2011/12 is £27,098.56. Details of loans in arrears were appended to the report.

RESOLVED that the progress report be received.

(b) New Applications

(i) Application No 2058

An application for financial assistance was considered by the Board towards the costs of a new camera, green screen technology, computer, backdrop and website to assist in establishing a photography business in Worksop which will create self-employment for the applicant and part-time employment for the applicants partner.

Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman

RECOMMENDED that:

1. The applicant be awarded a grant of £1,500 towards the costs of a new camera, green screen technology, computer and backdrop 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.

(ii) New Application 2060

An application for financial assistance was considered by the Board towards the costs of a laser colour printer and a projector for a consultation business in Worksop which will create self-employment for the applicant.

Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman

RECOMMENDED that:

1. The applicant be awarded a grant of £438 towards the costs of a laser colour printer and a projector providing that evidence of payment is submitted for at least £875.
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.

(iii) New Application 2062

The applicant did not attend.

(iv) New Application 2064

An application for financial assistance was considered by the Board towards the costs of specialist tools (variety of different scissors, thinners, electronic clippers, beard trimmers, hairdryers etc) advertising and stationary for a barbers shop and hair art designers in Worksop, which has created self employment for the applicant and a further full-time job once established.

Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman

RECOMMENDED that:

1. The applicant be awarded a grant of £1,128 towards the costs of specialist tools (variety of different scissors, thinners, electronic clippers, beard trimmers, hairdryers etc) advertising and stationary provided that evidence of payment is submitted for at least £2,255.
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 2053

The applicant had submitted his apologies and did not attend the meeting.

(vi) New Application 2059

The applicant did not attend.

52. 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.