

BASSETLAW ENTERPRISE BOARD

Minutes of the meeting on Monday, 18th October 2010 at Worksoop Town Hall

Present:

Councillors K H Isard (Chairman)
Councillors S Toms, D R Pressley and C Wanless
Co-opted Members: P Elliott and S Raison

Officers in attendance: C Crossland, J Hamilton and D Watson

22. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor W Graham

23. 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.

24. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6th SEPTEMBER 2010

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 6th September 2010 be approved.

SECTION A – ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION IN PUBLIC

Key Decisions

None.

Other Decisions

25. 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 2032 – Paragraphs 1 and 2
Agenda Item No 4(b)(ii) – New Application 2034 – Paragraphs 1 and 2
Agenda Item No 4(b)(iii) – New Application 2035 – Paragraphs 1 and 2
Agenda Item No 4(b)(iv) – New Application 2036 – Paragraphs 1 and 2
Agenda Item No 4(b)(v) – New Application 2037– Paragraphs 1 and 2

SECTION B – ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION IN PRIVATE

Key Decisions

None.

Other Decisions

None.

26. 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 2010/11 is £14,187.46. Details of loans in arrears were appended to the report.

RESOLVED that

- (1) the progress report be received.
- (2) loan repayments from loan application number 961 be written off
- (3) overdue payments from loan applications 965 and 929 be pursued by ensuring that Debtors personally contact the applicants.

(b) **New Applications**

(i) **Application No 2032**

An application for financial assistance was considered by the Board towards the costs of a trailer/tow bar, petrol mower, ladders and steps, garden refuse packs, various gardening tools, wheelbarrow, hi-flex trousers and stationery for a garden services business based in Retford, which has created self-employment for the applicant and may create a further full time job once established.

Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman

RECOMMENDED that:

1. The applicant be awarded a grant of £575 towards the cost of a trailer/tow bar, petrol mower, ladders and steps, garden refuse pack, various gardening tools, wheelbarrow, hi-flex trousers and stationery providing that evidence of payment is submitted for at least £1,150.
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 payable for the consumer search.

(ii) New Application 2034

An application for financial assistance was considered by the Board towards the costs of a ramp, container and racking for a tyre business in Retford, which has created self-employment for the applicants and will create a further full time job once established.

Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman

RECOMMENDED that:

1. The applicant be awarded a grant of £1,500 towards the costs of a ramp, container and racking provided 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 payable for the consumer search.

(iii) New Application 2035

An application for financial assistance was considered by the Board towards the costs of a bouncy castle, generator, printer/laminator, mobile telephone, face paints, gazebo, table and stationery for a bouncy castle hire business in Worksop, which has created part time work for the applicant.

Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman

RECOMMENDED that the application be not supported.

(iv) New Application 2036

An application for financial assistance was considered by the Board towards the costs of tooling, racking, jet washer, wet and dry vacuum cleaner and advertising (uniform, signage, website, local press) for a car window tinting/ valeting business based in Worksop which has create self-employment for the applicant and will create a further full time job once established.

Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman

RECOMMENDED that:

1. The applicant be awarded a grant of £1,300 towards the costs of tooling, racking, jet washer, wet and dry vacuum cleaner and advertising (uniform, signage, website, local press) provided that evidence of payment is submitted for at least £2,600.
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 payable for the consumer search

(v) New Application 2037

An application for financial assistance was considered by the Board towards the costs of a tow bar, telephone, laptop, printer, dongle, advertising (2 A-boards, signage, magazines) and stationery for a horse feed supplier based in Eaton, Retford which will create self-employment for the applicant.

Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman

RECOMMENDED that the application be not supported.

(vi) New Application 2038

An application for financial assistance was considered by the Board towards the costs of an oxygen concentrator, kiln, tools, embroidery machine and marketing for an interior design accessory producer based in Worksop, which will create self-employment for the applicants and a further two part-time jobs once established.

Following consultation with the Board, the Chairman

RECOMMENDED that the application be not supported.

27. 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.