

City Regeneration Members' Working Group (Private Sector Partner Housing Led Regeneration Programme)

1. Purpose

The City Regeneration Members' Working Group will be utilised as an appropriate forum to engage with Members on the Private Sector Partner Housing Led Regeneration Programme in advance of matters being brought back to the City Growth and Regeneration Committee and the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee for approval

This relates to the Strategic Partnership Agreement between the Council and GRAHAM with the objective of bringing forward residential-led, mixed-use developments on council (and other lands as appropriate) across the city. This initial partnership phase leverages strategic Council-owned city centre 'seed' sites. Given the significance of the Partnership there is a need to ensure that Elected Members have an appropriate forum to interface with the work of the Partnership, provide input to emerging proposals, keep abreast of the key programme milestones and ensure line of sight to provide sufficient assurance that Council's corporate and strategic aspirations are embedded prior to proposals being brought via City Growth & Regeneration Committee and the Strategic Policy & Resources Committee for decision.

Roles and Responsibilities

The overarching role for the City Regeneration Members' Working Group will be a cross party strategic advisory and discussion group. This will provide an engagement mechanism between officers and representatives from the Partnership (as appropriate) and Elected Members on the PSP projects. The Forum will be utilised to ensure Elected Members can discuss PSP project proposals, progress etc in advance of any formal Committee reporting and required decision making, to ensure the delivery of the Council's corporate aspirations as set out in the Corporate Plan and Belfast Agenda are derived from the Partnership.

2. Terms of Reference

Specifically, the Private Sector Partner Councillor Forum will:

- Act as a dedicated panel for liaison between the Partnership Operational Group /JV Board and Elected Members on all matters relating to the PSP.
- Advise and discuss PSP related matters with officers /Partnership representatives, as appropriate.
- Consider and influence workstreams in the context of Council's corporate and strategic aspirations.

- Consider development / project site specific proposals in the context of the Council's wider strategic and corporate ambitions to maximise outcomes and benefits for the city.
- Receive updates on the Strategic Partnership Agreement plans and progress of the PSP projects, prior decision making through Committee and Council.
- Provide a forum to introduce any "Additional Opportunity Sites" that may, at a future point, be considered to bring into the scope of the Partnership prior to decision making through committee and Council.
- Whilst not having a decision-making function, it will make recommendations and report to the City Growth & Regeneration Committee, and the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee on a regular basis.

3. Membership

The Working Group will comprise of Party Leaders or their nominees.

4. Chairperson

The Chair shall be appointed by the Members at the first meeting. A Chairperson be appointed on an annual basis. This item of business will be placed on the agenda for the first meeting of each Working Group following the Annual Council meeting each year.

5. Reporting Mechanism

In keeping with its advisory role, the Forum will provide recommendations to committees on relevant items.

6. Frequency of meetings

The Private Sector Partner Councillor Forum will meet on a quarterly basis. The Forum, in conjunction with the PSP Operational Group/JV Board, should determine if frequency of meetings should increase at intervals, based on progress towards milestones and key decision points for the relevant Council Committee.