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Livestock Market Working Party

Held at Council Chamber - Ryedale House, Malton, North Yorkshire YO17 7HH
on Thursday 15 July 2021

Present

Councillors Arnold, Bailey, Burr MBE, Clark (Chairman), Cleary, Cussons MBE, Docwra and Middleton

In Attendance

Alan Bardet, Phillip Spurr and Howard Wallis.

Minutes

1 Welcome and Apologies

No apologies were received.

2 Terms of Reference

Members noted the terms of reference presented by Officers.

3 Project Overview and Overall Vision

Officers gave an introduction to the project overview briefing paper in the agenda.

Members discussed and asked questions on the following:

- The need for a clarification from the landowner of their position. Officers confirmed they have been in contact recently and are still on board with the project, but a definitive answer will be sought.
- Any changes to the situation since the initial discussions took place.
- The distinction between the Fitzwilliam Trust and the Fitzwilliam Estate.
- Clarification on whether planning permission for the development of homes in Malton was conditional on the land being made available for a new livestock market. Officers to seek further information from RDC Planning.
- The essential need for written confirmation on the availability of the land.
- The need for a phased resolution to the project starting with relocating the existing livestock market itself before Local Government Reorganisation begins, avoiding potentially jeopardising the whole project by trying to do everything at once.
- Recognition that the project needs to move quickly with targeted aspirations for each stage of the project.

- The difference in size of the existing site compared to a new site. What size would be required for a viable market?
- Which other businesses are waiting to use neighbouring land? Will that affect planning of the project?
- Operation of the market and financial return. Recognition that making money is not the main focus.
- Enthusiasm from local farmers for the project.
- The potential availability of any existing plans for the project created previously.
- Abattoirs currently in operation in Ryedale.

4 **Potential Interested Parties**

5 **Project Plan**

Members agreed on the need to create a realistic and reasonable plan for the project, taking in to consideration all the points raised at this meeting.

6 **Timetable of Future Meetings**

The next meeting is provisionally scheduled to be held on Monday 16 August 2021, once a project plan has been completed by officers ready to present to the working party.

Other conversations and work may be undertaken by the Chair and Members outside of the meetings where required, in consultation with Officers.

7 **Any Other Business**

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 7:45pm.