

**Civic Quarter Regeneration Meeting (Teams)**  
**1 November 2022 – 11:00**

Attendees:

Cllr James Radley (Chairman)(JR)  
 Cllr Mark Butcher (MB); Cllr David Neighbour (DN); Cllr Richard Quarterman (RQ); Daryl Phillips (DP); Joanne Rayne (JR); Gabrielle Ellen (GE)

Cllr Bob Schofield (BS)      Fleet Town Council  
 Rochelle Halliday (RH)      Fleet Town Council Executive Officer  
 Samantha Marshall (SM)      HCC Libraries

Rebecca Borrett (Minutes)

Apologies:

Cllr Anne Crampton  
 Cllr Katie Davies  
 Jennifer Marvin

1	Welcome from the Chairman	ACTIONS
	The Chairman welcomed all the attendees.	
2	Introductions – New Member Rochelle Halliday, Fleet Town Council was welcomed to the group, and Samantha Marshall joining from Public Libraries in place of Jennifer Marvin.	
3	Project update since the last meeting	
	<p>GE provided an update (which will be emailed to the group) of work undertaken since the last meeting, and the next steps moving forwards.</p> <p>The Chairman felt this summed position up very well and welcomes the Paper for Cabinet to enable this to move on.</p> <p>There were discussions regarding the need to be aware shifting economic situation with particular regard to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rising costs and interest rates rising and</li> <li>• The need to move forward with caution and evidence based financial checks</li> <li>• Public loan works rate in 2017 were at 1%, but are now nearer 6%</li> <li>• The need to request from Cabinet costs at each stage of</li> </ul>	GE

	<p>progression</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the expectation that the viability stage would include a commercial negotiation between HCC, HDC and FTC to how overall funding of the project would work</li> </ul> <p>GE confirmed following a positive response from Cabinet in December, the report would take approximate two months to be produced, setting out if it was viable or not, and if it is where money to be obtained from, if not what the alternative options are.</p> <p>BS updated the group solicitors and land surveyors hope to be in a position to deliver a response this week in relation to the Lease.</p> <p>Discussions regarding climate change highlighted the need for sustainability and carbon neutrality, and the impact this could have on cost.</p> <p>Members were reminded of two of the main principals of the project:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Viability – the project must be cost neutral</li> <li>2. Compliance with HDC carbon neutral commitments so it is a better outcome for environment when work finished</li> </ol> <p>and this may therefore require a reassessment of the scale of the residential component to achieve these.</p>	
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