

Presentation to Leisure and Community Scrutiny Panel

Date: 16 December 2019

Report of: Director of Leisure and Community

Subject: REMODELLED FERNEHAM HALL PLANNING APPLICATION

DESIGN

SUMMARY

The concept design and budget cost for the remodelling of Ferneham Hall and the preferred operator for the new community arts venue were all agreed by the Executive on 26 September. The development of the design has progressed swiftly since then to the point where it is ready for submission as part of a planning application.

A presentation will be given to the Scrutiny Panel on 16 December outlining the toplevel designs for submission as part of the planning application. The Scrutiny Panel will be asked to comment on the designs. Their comments will be in the 'Remodelled Ferneham Hall Planning Application Design' report when it is presented to the 6 January Executive.

At this the meeting, the Executive will be asked to approve the top-level designs for submission as part of a planning application.

RECOMMENDATION

Members are now invited to consider the contents of the presentation and pass any comments to the Executive.

INTRODUCTION

1. This briefing paper presents the background on the 'Remodelled Ferneham Hall Planning Application Design' agenda item that will be presented at the Leisure and Community Scrutiny Panel meeting on Monday 16 December.

TOP LEVEL DESIGN AND NAMING OPTIONS

- 2. Overseen by the Ferneham Hall Project Member Working Group, the development of a design that best matches the Council's agreed vision has been one of the main strands of the project.
- 3. Following extensive work, a top-level design to be submitted as part of a planning application was approved by the Member Working Group on 3 December 2019.
- 4. A report regarding the top-level planning application design will be presented to the Executive on 6 January. This report will:
 - Give an update on the progress of the project, including an overview of the development of the top-level design for submission to planning; and
 - Outline the next steps of the project.
- 5. The Executive will be asked to approve the top-level designs of the remodelled Ferneham Hall and that this be submitted as part of a planning application.

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- 6. At the Scrutiny Panel meeting, Members will receive a presentation providing an overview of the contents of the Executive report, including details of the design to be submitted as part of the planning application.
- 7. Members will be asked to comment on the content of the presentation and top-level designs. These comments will form part of the report presented to the Executive meeting on 6 January.

CONCLUSION

8. Scrutiny Panel Members will have the opportunity to comment on the top-level designs for the remodelled Ferneham Hall, which if approved by the Executive will be submitted as part of a planning application. Their comments will be tabled when the 'Remodelled Ferneham Hall Planning Application Design' report is presented to the 6 January Executive.

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