JOINT WORKING CEO'S BOLSOVER, CHESTERFIELD AND NORTH EAST DERBYSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCILS

Thursday 19 February 2015 Committee Room G, North East Derbyshire District Council

Present

Wes Lumley (BDC/NEDDC)
Huw Bowen (CBC)
Steve Lee (NEDDC) – for item 2
Karen Peck, Bill Furness, Clive Graham (Chesterfield and North East Derbyshire Credit Union) – for item 2

		Action
1.	APOLOGIES	
	Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Jane Foley and Angela Grundy.	
2.	CHESTERFIELD AND NORTH EAST DERBYSHIRE CREDIT UNION UPDATE	
	The Credit Union was steadily growing, having increased from 2000 members in April 2014 to now over 2700 members. They were also applying for permission to add "Your Community Bank" to their name, this should help with their identity and subsequently increase membership.	
	They are also promoting payroll deductions by DCC and Derbyshire NHS, combined with the new website which allows Members to gain easier and quick access to the Credit Union.	
	The Credit Union were currently operating with 1FTE and 6PTE staff, plus a team of 20-25 volunteers. 3 volunteers had recently left and gained full time employment following their time with the Credit Union. They also regularly had one work placement for a volunteer with learning difficulties as part of an agreement with MenCap, this was working well.	
	Interest rates had increased to 3% per month in May 2014, this has made an improvement to income.	
	A Junior Savers Scheme is now in operation, and is going from strength to strength, with 13 schools currently registered and a few to more joining in the near future.	
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2.	CHESTERFIELD AND NORTH EAST DERBYSHIRE CREDIT UNION UPDATE – CONTINUED	
	The scheme has a Schools Co-ordinators which has been funded by DCC.	
	The Family Loan Scheme was still growing and has lent out £784,222 to over 700 local families.	
	Steve Lee gave an update on the SCR Ambition Programme, which commenced in January 2015. It was advised that Local Authorities wanted to support the Credit Unions and were arranging for the Back to Work Bonus to be paid to the young people through their local Credit Union.	
	There were further discussions around the potential future risks of the Credit Union and also financial data.	
	Karen thanked the Councils for their support and handed over a cheque to both authorities which covered 50% of the subordinated loan.	
	AGREED that the update provided be noted.	
3.	NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 24 April 2014 AND MATTERS ARISING	
	AGREED that the Notes of the meeting held on 24 April 2014 be approved as a true and correct record.	
4.	DECISIONS OF JOINT BOARD HELD ON 19 JANUARY 2015	
	Minutes of Previous Meeting Credit Union Financial Report and Business Plan D2 Combined Authority	
	AGREED that the Decisions of the Joint Board held on 19 January 2015 be noted.	
5.	NOTES OF JOINT BOARD HELD ON 19 JANUARY 2015 AND MATTERS ARISING	
	AGREED that the Notes of the Joint Board held on 19 January 2015 be received.	
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6.	JOINT WORKING PROJECTS UPDATE	
	Building Control – a County-wide option was being considered, with a business case for the next financial year being put together. Business Plan also being developed.	
	Audit – Business Plan being developed.	
7.	ITEMS FOR JOINT BOARD	
	Proposals for Derbyshire Wide Building Control Service BCN – Business Plan Internal Audit – Business Plan	
	SCR and D2 Combined Authorities / LEPS	
8.	COMMUNICATIONS	
	Suggest article on SCR Ambition Programme and Talent Match Programme. Scrutiny also to be considered.	
9.	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
	None.	
10.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
	16 April 2015 – 1000 hours – CBC	