

Redevelopment of Brimscombe Port

- 1.1 The purpose of this Information Sheet is to update members on the current position and programme for the redevelopment of Brimscombe Port.
- 1.2 A full update was provided as part of the report to members at the Strategy and Resources meeting held on the 17 December 2019 and so this document is a short update of any changes since that date.
- 1.3 **Planning** - The planning application for the phase 1 infrastructure and the demolition of the existing buildings together with the listed building application for the demolition of the modern extensions to Port Mill and the Port House, which is in the curtilage of the listed building, was submitted on the 12 July 2019 and replies from third party consultees are still awaited. The Environmental Statement is being finalised and is required to be sent out for consultation once received. As soon as all of the relevant information has been supplied then a report will be prepared for the next available Development Control committee.
- 1.4 **Transfer of Brimscombe Port** – All the documentation has been agreed and SVCC and the Council are ready to complete the transfer. However, Homes England still require formal internal approval and once this has been received completion will take place. Officers will inform members as soon as this has taken place. The amendments to the funding agreement with Homes England are also with solicitors and are progressing.
- 1.5 **Procurement** - At the Strategy and Resources meeting held on the 17 December 2019 members approved the questions for the Supplier Questionnaire and the Tender Evaluation Matrix for the selection of the preferred developer partner through the OJEU compliant tendering process. These documents, together with the Output Specification, Value for Money Protocol and the Commercial Principles Paper approved at Strategy and Resources on the 11 July 2019, form the key documents for the tender process.
- 1.6 In addition members approved the procurement of a contractor for the infrastructure for phase 1 on a design and build basis, with a view to this being transferred across to the developer partner who will be delivering the residential/commercial development, to co-ordinate, manage and deliver, once selected.
- 1.7 The procurement process cannot commence until planning permission has been received. It is therefore anticipated that a report will not be presented to seek formal approval to the procurement process until the Strategy and Resources Committee in June.
- 1.8 Current tenants at the Business Park and the Industrial Estate are kept informed of any changes in dates through the regular tenant liaison meetings to enable them to stay as long as possible but also to enable us to serve notice at the appropriate time to enable the Council to gain vacant possession to demolish the properties when required.